

Liturgy of the Hours
LITURGY OF THE HOURS

DAYTIME PRAYER

April 8, 2026

{ Wednesday within the Octave of Easter }



Stand and make sign of cross

God, come to my assistance.

— Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMN

Come, servants, join in humble prayer
with psalms and hymns of worthy praise;
let mind and heart and lips extol
the blest and holy name of God.

For this is that dread time and hour,
in which the Judge of ages stood
condemned to death by false decree,
unjustly judged by mortal foes.

And we with all the love we owe,
compelled by just and humble fear,
seek help against our wicked foe
and all his sly and fierce assaults.

Let us implore the one true God,
the Father and the Son, our King,
the Holy Spirit, Paraclete,
in Trinity, our God and Lord. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon

He was handed over to death for our sins; he was raised to life to justify us, alleluia.

Psalm 119:9-16

II (Beth)

Hów shall the yóung remain sínless? *
By obéying your wórd.
I have sóught you with áll my héart: *
let me not stráy from your commánds.

I tréasure your prómise in my héart *
lest I sín agáinst you.
Bléssed are yóu, O Lórd; *
téach me your commánds.

With my tóngue I have recóunted *
the decrées of your líps.
I rejóice to dó your wíll *
as though all ríches were míne.

I will pónder áll your précepts *
and consíder your páths.
I táke delíght in your commánds; *
I will nót forget your wórd.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm 28:1-3, 6-9

Entreaty and thanksgiving

Father, I thank you, for you have heard my prayer (John 11:41).

To yóu, O Lórd, I cáll, *

my róck, héar me.
If yóu do not héed I shall becóme *
like thóse in the gráve.

Héar the vóice of my pléading *
as I cáll for hélp,
as I lift up my hánds in práyer *
to your hóly pláce.

Do not drág me awáy with the wícked, *
with the évil-dóers,
who spéak words of péace to their néighbors *
but with évil in their héarts.

Bléssed be the Lórd for he has héard *
my crý, my appéal.
The Lórd is my stréngth and my shíeld; *
in hím my heart trústs.
I was hélped, my héart rejóices *
and I práise him with my sóng.

The Lórd is the stréngth of his péople, *
a fórtress where his anóinted find hélp.
Save your péople; bless Ísrael your héritage. *
Be their shépherd and cárry them for éver.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm 116:10-19

Thanksgiving in the Temple

Through Christ let us offer God a continual sacrifice of praise (Hebrews 13:15).

I trústed, éven when I sáid: *
“I am sórely afflicted,”
and whén I sáid in my alárm: *
“No mán can be trústed.”

How cán I repáy the Lórd *
for his góodness to mé?

The cùp of salvátion I will ráise; *
I will cáll on the Lórd's name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfill *
befóre all his péople.

O précious in the éyes of the Lórd *
is the déath of his fáithful.

Your sérvant, Lord, your sérvant am Í; *
you have lóosened my bónds.

A thánkssgiving sácrifice I máke: *
I will cáll on the Lórd's name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfill *
befóre all his péople,
in the cóurts of the hóuse of the Lórd, *
in your mídst, O Jerúsalem.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

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Sit

READING

1 John 5:5-6a

Who is conqueror of the world?
The one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.
Jesus Christ it is who came through water and blood—
not in water only,
but in water and in blood.

Verse

This is the day the Lord has made, alleluia.

— Let us rejoice and be glad, alleluia.

Stand

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God our Father,
on this solemn feast you give us the joy of recalling
the rising of Christ to new life.
May the joy of our annual celebration
bring us to the joy of eternal life.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

— Amen.

Acclamation

Let us praise the Lord.

— And give him thanks.

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