Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Evening Prayer II

November 24, 2024 { Solemnity – Christ the King }



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.

ΗΥΜΝ

Crown him with many crowns, The lamb upon his throne; Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own: Awake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee, And hail him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of Lords, Who over all doth reign, Who once on earth, the incarnate Word, For ransomed sinners slain, Now lives in realms of light, Where saints with angels sing Their songs before him day and night Their God, Redeemer, King.

Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in the worlds above; Crown him the King, to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love. Crown him with many crowns, As thrones before him fall, Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, For he is King of all.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

He shall sit upon the throne of David and rule over his kingdom for ever, alleluia.

Psalm 110:1-5, 7

The Messiah, king and priest

Christ's reign will last until all his enemies are made subject to him (1 Corinthians 15:25).

The Lórd's revelátion to my Máster: † "Sít on my ríght: * your fóes I will pút beneath your féet."

The Lórd will wield from Zíon † your scépter of pówer: * rúle in the mídst of all your fóes.

A prínce from the dáy of your bírth † on the hóly móuntains; * from the wómb before the dáwn I begót you.

The Lórd has sworn an óath he will not chánge. † "You are a príest for éver, * a príest like Melchízedek of óld."

The Máster stánding at your ríght hand * will shatter kíngs in the dáy of his wráth.

He shall drínk from the stréam by the wáyside * and thérefore he shall líft up his héad.

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

He shall sit upon the throne of David and rule over his kingdom for ever, alleluia.

Antiphon 2

Your kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom, and you shall rule from generation to generation.

Psalm 145:1-13

Praise of God's majesty

Lord, you are the Just One, who was and who is (Revelation 16:5).

I will give you glóry, O Gód my Kíng, * I will bléss your náme for éver.

I will bléss you dáy after dáy * and praíse your náme for éver. The Lord is gréat, híghly to be práised, * his gréatness cánnot be méasured.

Age to áge shall procláim your wórks, * shall decláre your míghty déeds, shall spéak of your spléndor and glóry, * tell the tále of your wónderful wórks.

They will spéak of your térrible déeds, * recount your gréatness and míght. They will recáll your abúndant góodness; * age to áge shall ríng out your jústice.

The Lord is kínd and fúll of compássion, * slow to ánger, abóunding in lóve. How góod is the Lórd to áll, * compássionate to áll his créatures.

All your créatures shall thánk you, O Lórd, * and your friends shall repéat their bléssing. They shall spéak of the glóry of your réign * and decláre your míght, O Gód,

to make knówn to mén your mighty déeds ^{*} and the glórious spléndor of your réign. Yóurs is an éverlasting kíngdom; ^{*} your rúle lasts from áge to áge.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,*

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

Antiphon

Your kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom, and you shall rule from generation to generation.

Antiphon 3

On his cloak and on his thigh a name was written: King of kings, and Lord of lords. To him be glory and power for ever.

Canticle – See Revelation 19:1-7

The wedding of the Lamb

Alleluia.

Salvation, glory, and power to our God: * his judgments are honest and true. Alleluia.

Alleluia.

Sing praise to our God, all you his servants, * all who worship him reverently, great and small. Alleluia.

Alleluia.

The Lord our all-powerful God is King, * let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him glory. Alleluia.

Alleluia.

The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun, * and his bride is prepared to welcome him. Alleluia.

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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and Lord of lords. To him be glory and power for ever.

Sit

Reading

1 Corinthians 15:25-28

Christ must reign until God has put all enemies under his feet, and the last enemy to be destroyed is death. Scripture reads that God "has placed all things under his feet." But when it says that everything has been made subject, it is clear that he who has made everything subject to Christ is excluded. When, finally, all has been subjected to the Son, he will then subject himself to the One who made all things subject to him, so that God may be all in all.

Responsory

Your throne, O God, shall stand for ever.

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The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of justice.

— It shall stand for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

- Your throne, O God, shall stand for ever.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me, says the Lord.

Luke 1:46-55

The soul rejoices in the Lord

Make sign of cross

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, * my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. *

From this day all generations will call me blessed:

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the Almighty has done great things for me, * and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him * in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, * he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, * and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel * for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, * to Abraham and his children for ever.

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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INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to Christ the King. He is the firstborn of all creation; all things exist in him.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Christ, our king and shepherd, gather your sheep from every land, give them pasture in green and fertile meadows.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Christ, our leader and savior, form all men into your own people, heal the sick, seek out the lost, guard the strong,

call back those who have wandered far away, strengthen those who waver, gather all your sheep into one flock.

– May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Judge of all ages, when you hand over your kingdom to the Father, place us at your right hand,

so that we may inherit the kingdom prepared for us from the beginning of the world.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Prince of peace, break the weapons of war, and inspire the nations with your peace.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Christ, heir of all nations, gather humanity and all the good things of your creation into the kingdom of your Church which your Father bestowed on you,

so that the whole body of your people, united in the Holy Spirit, may acknowledge you as their head.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Christ, firstborn of the dead and firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep in death,

bring all who have died to the glory of the resurrection.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Concluding Prayer

Almighty and merciful God, you break the power of evil and make all things new

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in your Son Jesus Christ, the King of the universe. May all in heaven and earth acclaim your glory and never cease to praise you.

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.

Dismissal

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

— Amen.

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