Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Evening Prayer II

May 25, 2025 { Sixth Sunday 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.

Ηγμν

As we await the Lamb's high feast in snow white robes of saving grace, we sing to Christ, our Prince and Head, for we have crossed the Red Sea tide.

His holy Body, parched and seared upon the altar of the Cross, his crimson Blood, outpoured for us, we taste and so we live for God.

Protected on the paschal eve from devastating angel sword, we were delivered and set free from Pharaoh's harsh and bitter rule.

And now our Pasch is Christ himself, the pure and spotless Lamb once slain, unleavened bread of truthfulness, who gives his flesh in sacrifice.

O worthy Victim, real and true, who rends and breaks the pow'r of hell, the captives there have been redeemed and now enjoy the prize of life.

Christ rises from the tomb indeed, triumphant Victor from the depths, who thrusts the tyrant down in chains and clears the way to Paradise.

O Jesus, be for mind and heart

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our everlasting paschal joy and gather us, reborn by grace, to share your triumphs evermore.

To you, Lord Jesus, glory be, who shine in vict'ry over death, with God the Father, ever blest, and loving Spirit, ever one. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

God raised up Christ from the dead and gave him a place at his right hand in heaven, 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

God raised up Christ from the dead and gave him a place at his right hand in heaven, alleluia.

Antiphon 2

You have been turned from faith in idols to the living God, alleluia.

Psalm 115

Praise of the true God

You have renounced idol worship to serve the living and true God (1 Thessalonians 1:9).

Not to ús, Lórd, not to ús, * but to yóur náme give the glóry for the sáke of your lóve and your trúth, * lest the héathen say: "Whére is their Gód?"

But our Gód is ín the héavens; * he dóes whatéver he wílls. Their ídols are sílver and góld, * the wórk of húman hánds.

They have mouths but they cannot speak; * they have eyes but they cannot see; they have ears but they cannot hear; *

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they have nóstrils but they cánnot sméll.

With their hánds they cánnot féel; † with their féet they cánnot wálk. * No sóund cómes from their thróats. Their mákers will cóme to be líke them * and so will áll who trúst in thém.

Sons of Ísrael, trúst in the Lórd; * hé is their hélp and their shíeld. Sons of Áaron, trúst in the Lórd; * hé is their hélp and their shíeld.

You who féar him, trúst in the Lórd; * hé is their hélp and their shíeld. He remémbers us, and hé will bléss us; † he will bléss the sóns of Ísrael.* He will bléss the sóns of Áaron.

The Lord will bléss thóse who féar him, * the líttle no léss than the gréat: to yóu may the Lórd grant íncrease, * to yóu and áll your chíldren.

May yóu be bléssed by the Lórd, * the máker of héaven and éarth. The héavens belóng to the Lórd * but the éarth he has gíven to mén.

The déad shall not práise the Lórd, * nor thóse who go dówn into the sílence. But wé who líve bless the Lórd * nów and for éver. Amén.

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

You have been turned from faith in idols to the living God, alleluia.

Antiphon 3

Alleluia, salvation, glory and power to our God, alleluia.

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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Sit

Reading

Hebrews 10:12-14

Jesus offered one sacrifice for sins and took his seat forever at the right hand of God; now he waits until his enemies are placed beneath his feet. By one offering he has forever perfected those who are being sanctified.

Responsory

The Lord is risen, alleluia, alleluia.

— The Lord is risen, alleluia, alleluia.

He has appeared to Simon,

— alleluia, alleluia.

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

— The Lord is risen, alleluia, alleluia.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him. We will come to him and make our home with him, alleluia.

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: 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

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him. We will come to him and make our home with him, alleluia.

INTERCESSIONS

God the Father raised Christ from the dead and exalted him at his right hand. Let us pray to the Father, saying:

— Through Christ in glory, watch over your people, Lord.

Righteous Father, you lifted Jesus above the earth through the triumph of the cross,

may all things be lifted up in him.

— Through Christ in glory, watch over your people, Lord.

Through your Son in glory send the Holy Spirit upon the Church, that it may be the sacrament of unity for the whole human race.

— Through Christ in glory, watch over your people, Lord.

You have brought a new family into being through water and the Holy Spirit,

keep them faithful to their baptism, and bring them to everlasting life.

— Through Christ in glory, watch over your people, Lord.

Through your exalted Son help those in distress, free those in captivity, heal the sick,

and by your blessings give joy to the world.

— Through Christ in glory, watch over your people, Lord.

You nourished our deceased brothers and sisters with the body and blood of the risen Christ, raise them up at the last day.

- Through Christ in glory, watch over your people, 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

Ever-living God, help us to celebrate our joy in the resurrection of the Lord and to express in our lives the love we celebrate.

Grant 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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