

Liturgy of the Hours
LITURGY OF THE HOURS

DAYTIME PRAYER

April 20, 2025

{ Easter Sunday }



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 118

Song of joy for salvation

This Jesus is the stone which, rejected by you builders, has become the chief stone supporting all the rest (Acts 4:11).

I

Give thanks to the Lórd for he is góod,*
for his lóve endures for éver.

Let the sóns of Ísrael sáy: *

“His lóve endures for éver.”

Let the sóns of Áaron sáy: *

“His lóve endures for éver.”

Let thóse who fear the Lórd sáy: *

“His lóve endures for éver.”

I cálled to the Lórd in my distréss; *
he ánspered and fréed me.

The Lórd is at my síde; I do not féar. *

What can mán do agáinst me?

The Lórd is at my síde as my hélper: *

I shall look dówn on my fóes.

It is bétter to take réfuge in the Lórd *
than to trúst in mén:

it is bétter to take réfuge in the Lórd *
than to trúst in prínces.

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.

II

The nátions áll encómpassed me; *
in the Lórd's name I crúshed them.
They cómpassed me, cómpassed me abóut; *
in the Lórd's name I crúshed them.
They cómpassed me abóut like bées; †
they blázed like a fire among thórns. *
In the Lórd's name I crúshed them.

I was hárd-préssed and was fálling *
but the Lórd came to hélp me.
The Lórd is my stréngth and my sóng; *
hé is my sáviór.
There are shóuts of jóy and víctory *
in the ténts of the júst.

The Lórd's right hánd has tríumphed; *
his ríght hand ráised me.
The Lórd's right hánd has tríumphed; †
I shall not díe, I shall líve *
and recóunt his déeds.
I was púnished, I was púnished by the Lórd, *
but nótd doomed to díe.

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.

III

Ópen to mé the gates of hóliness: *
I will énter and give thánks.
Thís is the Lórd's own gáte *
where the júst may énter.
I will thánk you for yóu have ánswered *
and yóu are my sáviór.

The stóne which the buílders rejécted *
has becóme the córner stone.
Thís is the wórkd of the Lórd, *

a márvel in our éyes.

This day was máde by the Lórd; *
we rejoyce and are glád.

O Lórd, gránt us salvátion; *

O Lórd, grant succéss.

Blesséd in the náme of the Lórd *
is hé who cómes.

We bléss you from the hóuse of the Lórd; *
the Lord Gód is our líght.

Go fóward in procéssion with bránches *
éven to the áltar.

Yóu are my Gód, I thánk you. *

My Gód, I práise you.

Give thánks to the Lórd for he is góod; *
for his lóve endures 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.

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Sit

READING

Ephesians 2:4-6

But God is rich in mercy; because of his great love for us he brought us to life with Christ when we were dead in sin. By this favor you were saved. Both with and in Christ Jesus he raised us up and gave us a place in the heavens.

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,
by raising Christ your Son
you conquered the power of death
and opened for us the way to eternal life.

Let our celebration today
raise us up and renew our lives
by the Spirit that is within us.

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.

Acclamation

Let us praise the Lord.

— And give him thanks.

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