

*Liturgy of the Hours*  
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DAYTIME PRAYER

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April 7, 2024

{ Sunday 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

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
His the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph  
His the victory alone:  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
Thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus, out of every nation,  
Hath redeemed us by his Blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans  
Are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! He is near us,  
Faith believes nor questions how:  
Though the cloud from sight received him,  
When the forty days were o'er  
Shall our hearts forget his promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of angels,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay;  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
Flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
Where the songs of all the sinless  
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,  
Thee the Lord of lords we own;

Alleluia! born of Mary,  
Earth thy footstool, heav'n thy throne:  
Thou within the veil hast entered,  
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
In the Eucharistic feast.

*Melody: Hyfrydol 87.87.D; Music: R. H. Prichard, 1811-1887; Text: William  
Chatterton Dix, 1837-1898*

*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 thánks 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 ánswered 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 thórn. \*  
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 nótt 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 wórk of the Lórd, \*  
a márvel in our éyes.  
Thís day was máde by the Lórd; \*  
we rejóice and are glád.

O Lórd, gránt us salvátion; \*  
O Lórd, grant succéss.  
Bléssed 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.

*Antiphon*

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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 of mercy,  
you wash away our sins in water,  
you give us new birth in the Spirit,  
and redeem us in the blood of Christ.

As we celebrate Christ's resurrection  
increase our awareness of these blessings,  
and renew your gift of life within us.

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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