Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Daytime Prayer

April 21, 2024 { Fourth 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

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;

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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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 23

The Good Shepherd

The Lamb himself will be their shepherd and will lead them to the springs of living waters (Revelation 7:17).

The Lórd is my shépherd; * there is nóthing I shall wánt. Frésh and gréen are the pástures * where he gíves me repóse. Near réstful wáters he léads me, * to revíve my drooping spírit.

He guídes me alóng the right páth; * he is trúe to his náme. If I should wálk in the válley of dárkness * no évil would I féar. You are thére with your cróok and your stáff; * with thése you give me cómfort.

You have prepáred a bánquet for mé * in the síght of my fóes. My héad you have anóinted with óil; * my cúp is overflówing.

Surely góodness and kíndness shall fóllow me * all the dáys of my lífe.

In the Lórd's own house shall I dwell * for ever and 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.

Psalm 76

Thanksgiving for victory

They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven (Matthew 24:30).

Ι

Gód is made knówn in Júdah; * in Ísrael his náme is gréat. He sét up his tént in Jerúsalem * and his dwélling pláce in Zíon. It was thére he bróke the flashing árrows, * the shíeld, the swórd, the ármor.

Yóu, O Lórd, are respléndent, * more majéstic than the éverlasting móuntains. The wárriors, despóiled, slept in déath; * the hánds of the sóldiers were pówerless. At your thréat, O Gód of Jácob, * hórse and ríder lay stúnned.

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.

Π

Yóu, you alóne, strike térror. * Who shall stánd when your ánger is róused? You úttered your séntence from the héavens; * the éarth in térror was stíll when Gód aróse to júdge, * to sáve the húmble of the éarth.

Men's ánger will sérve to práise you; †

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its survívors surróund you in jóy. * Make vóws to your Gód and fulfill them. Let all pay tríbute to hím who strikes térror, † who cúts short the lífe of prínces, * who strikes térror in the kíngs of the éarth.

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sit

Reading

Ephesians 2:4–6

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

The disciples rejoiced, alleluia.

— When they saw the risen Lord, alleluia.

Stand

Concluding Prayer

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, give us new strength from the courage of Christ our shepherd, and lead us to join the saints in heaven, where he 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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