Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Evening Prayer II

June 22, 2025 { Solemnity – Corpus Christi }



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

Sing, my tongue, the hidden myst'ry of Christ's Body glorified, and his Precious Blood most holy, shed in ransom for the world, offered by the King of nations, born the fruit of noble womb.

Born for us and given to us Son of Mary, Virgin pure, in the world he lived among us, sowed as seeds the word of truth; then the season of his sojourn with a wondrous rite he closed.

On the night of that Last Supper feasting with his chosen friends, he obeyed the law completely in the food and drink prescribed; then he gave his twelve Apostles with his hands himself as food.

Word made flesh, true bread from heaven, by a word, made bread his Flesh, purest wine Christ's Blood becoming, though our sense cannot perceive; faith alone brings full assurance to the pure and faithful heart.

Let us, therefore, bow and worship such a wondrous Sacrament;

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let the ancient law and custom to a newer rite now yield; let our faith supply conviction where the senses tire and fail.

To the Father, unbegotten, and Sole-begotten Son, be salvation, blessing, honor, jubilation, pow'r, and praise; to the One from both proceeding equal glory and renown. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

Christ the Lord is a priest for ever in the line of Melchizedek; he offered up bread and wine.

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 Zion †

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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

Christ the Lord is a priest for ever in the line of Melchizedek; he offered up bread and wine.

Antiphon 2

I will take up the cup of salvation, and I will offer a sacrifice of praise.

Psalm 116:10-19

Thanksgiving in the Temple

Through Christ let us offer God a continual sacrifice of praise (Hebrews 13:15).

I trústed, éven when I sáid: * "I am sórely afflícted," and whén I sáid in my alárm: * "No mán can be trústed."

How cán I repáy the Lórd * for his góodness to mé? The cúp of salvátion I will ráise; *

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I will cáll on the Lórd's name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfill * befóre all his péople. O précious in the éyes of the Lórd * is the déath of his fáithful.

Your sérvant, Lord, your sérvant am Í; * you have lóosened my bónds. A thánksgiving sácrifice I máke: * I will cáll on the Lórd's name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfíll * befóre all his péople, in the cóurts of the hóuse of the Lórd, * in your mídst, O Jerúsalem.

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

I will take up the cup of salvation, and I will offer a sacrifice of praise.

Antiphon 3

You are the way, the truth and the life of the world, O Lord.

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

You are the way, the truth and the life of the world, O Lord.

Sit

Reading

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

I received from the Lord what I handed on to you, namely, that the Lord Jesus on the night in which he was betrayed took bread, and after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after the supper, he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Responsory

He gave them bread from heaven, alleluia, alleluia.

— He gave them bread from heaven, alleluia, alleluia.

Man has eaten the bread of angels,

— alleluia, alleluia.

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

— He gave them bread from heaven, alleluia, alleluia.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

How holy this feast in which Christ is our food; his passion is recalled; grace fills our hearts; and we receive a pledge of the glory to come, 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

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INTERCESSIONS

Christ invites all to the supper in which he gives his body and blood for the life of the world. Let us ask him:

- Christ, the bread of heaven, grant us everlasting life.

Christ, Son of the living God, you commanded that this thanksgiving meal be done in memory of you, enrich your Church through the faithful celebration of these mysteries.

— Christ, the bread of heaven, grant us everlasting life.

Christ, eternal priest of the Most High, you have commanded your priests to offer your sacraments,

may they help them to exemplify in their lives the meaning of the sacred mysteries which they celebrate.

- Christ, the bread of heaven, grant us everlasting life.

Christ, bread from heaven, you form one body out of all who partake of the one bread,

refresh all who believe in you with harmony and peace.

- Christ, the bread of heaven, grant us everlasting life.

Christ, through your bread you offer the remedy for immortality and the pledge of future resurrection,

restore health to the sick and living hope to sinners.

- Christ, the bread of heaven, grant us everlasting life.

Christ, our king who is to come, you commanded that the mysteries which proclaim your death be celebrated until you return, grant that all who die in you may share in your resurrection.

- Christ, the bread of heaven, grant us everlasting life.

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the kingdom where you live with the Father 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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