

Liturgy of the Hours
LITURGY OF THE HOURS

EVENING PRAYER II

September 6, 2026

{ Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time }



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

Sublime Creator of the light,
in bringing forth the light of day,
from fountains of that pristine light
you form the fabric of the world.

The morning joined to evening hour
is named the day at your command;
as formless dark steals over us,
in mercy heed our prayers and tears.

Let not our soul, weighed down by faults,
be exiled from the gift of life
and, heedless of eternal good,
ensnare itself in bonds of guilt.

But let it knock at heaven's gate
to gain the prize of lasting life;
let us avoid all harm from sin
and purge away all base desire.

Most loving Father, hear our prayer,
and you, O Christ coequal Son,
who with the Spirit Paraclete
now reign for all eternity. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

The Lord said to my Master: Sit at my right hand, 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 revelátiún to my Máster: †

“Sít on my ríght: *
your fóes I will pút beneath your féet.”

The Lórd will wíeld from Zíon †
your scépter of pówer: *
rúle in the mídst of all your fóes.

A prínce from the dáy of your bírth †
on the hólý móuntains; *
from the wómb before the dáwn I begót you.

The Lórd has sworn an óath he will not chángé. †
“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

The Lord said to my Master: Sit at my right hand, alleluia.

Antiphon 2

Our compassionate Lord has left us a memorial of his wonderful work, alleluia.

Psalm 111

God's marvelous works

*We are lost in wonder at all that you have done for us, our Lord and mighty God
(Revelation 15:3).*

I will thánk the Lórd with all my héart *
in the méeting of the júst and their assémbly.
Gréat are the wórks of the Lórd; *
to be póndered by áll who lóve them.

Májestic and glórious his wórks, *
his jústice stands fírm for éver.
He mákes us remémber his wónders. *
The Lórd is compássion and lóve.

He gives fóod to thóse who féar him; *
keeps his cóvenant éver in mínd.
He has shówn his míght to his péople *
by gíving them the lánds of the nátions.

His wórks are jústice and trúth: *
his précepts are áll of them sùre,
standing fírm for éver and éver: *
they are máde in úprightness and trúth.

He has sént delíverance to his péople †
and estáblished his cóvenant for éver. *
Hóly his náme, to be féared.

To fear the Lórd is the fírst stage of wísdóm; †
all who dó so próve themselves wíse. *
His práise shall lást 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

Our compassionate Lord has left us a memorial of his wonderful work, alleluia.

Antiphon 3

All power is yours, Lord God, our mighty King, 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

1 Peter 1:3-5

Praised be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
he who in his great mercy
gave us new birth;
a birth unto hope which draws its life
from the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead;
a birth to an imperishable inheritance,
incapable of fading or defilement,
which is kept in heaven for you
who are guarded with God's power through faith;
a birth to a salvation which stands ready
to be revealed in the last days.

Responsory

The whole creation proclaims the greatness of your glory.

— The whole creation proclaims the greatness of your glory.

Eternal ages praise

— the greatness of your glory.

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

— The whole creation proclaims the greatness of your glory.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

Whoever refuses to take up his cross and follow me cannot be my
disciple, says the Lord.

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.

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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

The world was created by the Word of God, re-created by his
redemption, and it is continually renewed by his love. Rejoicing in
him we call out:

— Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

We give thanks to God whose power is revealed in nature,
and whose providence is revealed in history.

— Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

Through your Son, the herald of reconciliation, the victor of the cross,
free us from empty fear and hopelessness.

— Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

May all those who love and pursue justice,
work together without deceit to build a world of true peace.

— Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

Be with the oppressed, free the captives, console the sorrowing,
feed the hungry, strengthen the weak,
in all people reveal the victory of your cross.

— Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

After your Son's death and burial you raised him up again in glory,
grant that the faithful departed may live with him.

— Renew the wonders of your love, 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

God our Father,
you redeem us
and make us your children in Christ.
Look upon us,
give us true freedom
and bring us to the inheritance you promised.
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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