Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Evening Prayer

July 22, 2025 { Feast – Mary Magdalene }



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.

ΗΥΜΝ

Mary, blest woman, Magdala's great glory, all, with devotion, show you love and rev'rence, for Christ has bound you to himself in friendship, love's holy cov'nant.

When you beheld him wondrous and almighty, driving out demons, vanquishing their powers, faith strong and grateful bound you to your healer, filled you with gladness.

Henceforth you joined him; fervent love compelled you: treading the footsteps of your holy Master, as a companion, faithfully you served him with zeal and fervor.

Then you stood weeping by his Cross in sorrow, ardently grieving at the Lord's great Passion; gently anointing, you prepared his body for his entombment.

May Christ unite us, whom his love engendered, to his great triumph, that we all may join you now and for ever singing joyful praises to the Beloved. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

Jesus said to Mary: Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?

Psalm 122

Holy city Jerusalem

You have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, heavenly Jerusalem (Hebrews 12:22).

I rejóiced when I héard them sáy: * "Let us gó to God's hóuse." And nów our féet are stánding * within your gátes, O Jerúsalem.

Jerúsalem is buílt as a cíty * stróngly compáct. It is thére that the tríbes go úp, * the tríbes of the Lórd.

For Ísrael's láw it ís,^{*} there to práise the Lord's náme. Thére were set the thrónes of júdgment ^{*} of the hóuse of Dávid.

For the péace of Jerúsalem práy: * "Péace be to your hómes! May péace réign in your wálls, * in your pálaces, péace!"

For lóve of my bréthren and fríends * I say: "Péace upon yóu!" For lóve of the hóuse of the Lórd * I will ásk for your góod.

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

Jesus said to Mary: Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?

Antiphon 2

They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have put him.

Psalm 127

Apart from God our labors are worthless You are God's building (1 Corinthians 3:9).

If the Lórd does not build the hóuse, * in váin do its builders lábor; if the Lórd does not wátch over the cíty, * in váin does the wátchman keep vígil.

In váin is your éarlier rísing, ^{*} your góing láter to rést, you who tóil for the bréad you éat: ^{*} when he pours gífts on his belóved while they slúmber.

Truly sóns are a gíft from the Lórd, * a bléssing, the frúit of the wómb. Indéed the sóns of yóuth * are like árrows in the hánd of a wárrior.

Ó the háppiness of the mán * who has filled his quíver with these árrows! Hé will have no cáuse for sháme * when he dispútes with his fóes in the gáteways.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, *

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and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have put him.

Antiphon 3

Jesus said: Mary. She turned to him and said: Rabboni, which means teacher.

Canticle – Ephesians 1:3-10

God our Savior

Praised be the God and Father * of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has bestowed on us in Christ * every spiritual blessing in the heavens.

God chose us in him * before the world began to be holy * and blameless in his sight.

He predestined us * to be his adopted sons through Jesus Christ, such was his will and pleasure, † that all might praise the glorious favor * he has bestowed on us in his beloved.

In him and through his blood, we have been redeemed, * and our sins forgiven, so immeasurably generous * is God's favor to us.

God has given us the wisdom * to understand fully the mystery, the plan he was pleased * to decree in Christ.

A plan to be carried out * in Christ, in the fullness of time, to bring all things into one in him, * in the heavens and on earth.

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

Romans 8:28-30

We know that God makes all things work together for the good of those who have been called according to his decree. Those whom he foreknew he predestined to share the image of his Son, that the Son might be the first-born of many brothers. Those he predestined he likewise called; those he called he also justified; and those he justified he in turn glorified.

Responsory

Mary, do not weep; the Lord is risen from the dead.

- Mary, do not weep; the Lord is risen from the dead.

Go to my brothers and say to them:

— The Lord is risen from the dead.

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

— Mary, do not weep; the Lord is risen from the dead.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

Mary ran and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, 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

My brothers, with all the holy women, let us profess our faith in our Savior and call upon him:

— Come, Lord Jesus.

Lord Jesus, you forgave the sinful woman because she loved much, forgive us who have sinned much.

— Come, Lord Jesus.

Lord Jesus, the holy women ministered to your needs during your journeys,

help us to follow your footsteps.

— Come, Lord Jesus.

Lord Jesus, master, Mary listened to your words while Martha served your needs,

help us to serve you with love and devotion.

— Come, Lord Jesus.

Lord Jesus, you call everyone who does your will your brother, sister and mother,

help us to do what is pleasing to you in word and action.

— Come, Lord Jesus.

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

Father, your Son first entrusted to Mary Magdalene the joyful news of his resurrection. By her prayers and example may we proclaim Christ as our living Lord and one day see him in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

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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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