Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MORNING PRAYER

July 22, 2025

{ Feast – Mary Magdalene }



Invitatory

Stand and make sign of cross on lips with thumb

Lord, open my lips.

— And my mouth will proclaim your praise.

Psalm 95

A call to praise God

Encourage each other daily while it is still today (Hebrews 3:13).

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Come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the Rock who saves us. Let us approach him with praise and thanksgiving and sing joyful songs to the Lord.

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The Lord is God, the mighty God, the great king over all the gods.

He holds in his hands the depths of the earth and the highest mountains as well.

He made the sea; it belongs to him, the dry land, too, for it was formed by his hands.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

Come, then, let us bow down and worship, bending the knee before the Lord, our maker. For he is our God and we are his people, the flock he shepherds.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

Today, listen to the voice of the Lord:
Do not grow stubborn, as your fathers did
in the wilderness,
when at Meriba and Massah
they challenged me and provoked me,

Although they had seen all of my works.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

Forty years I endured that generation.
I said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray and they do not know my ways."
So I swore in my anger,
"They shall not enter into my rest."

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

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.

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Morning Prayer

HYMN

The dawn arises clear and bright that heralds Christ in victory, whom you, O Mary, long to see and with your oil anoint his flesh.

With breathless haste you quickly run: behold, an angel cries with joy that he whom you so long to see has burst the gates of death and comes!

Then you implore the gard'ner there, though you behold your Master's face; yet for your faithful love you find a sure reward of greater joy.

Since with the Virgin in her grief you stood beside his bitter Cross, you were the first to testify that he is risen from the dead.

O fairest flow'r of Magadala,

O Mary, wounded by his love, obtain, that we with hearts aflame may burn with fervent love for Christ.

Grant us, O Christ, to imitate so great a servant in her love, and may we sing with heav'nly choirs your praise and glory evermore. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

Very early in the morning after the Sabbath, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb, just as the sun was rising.

Psalm 63:2-9

A soul thirsting for God

Whoever has left the darkness of sin yearns for God.

O Gód, you are my Gód, for you I lóng; * for yóu my sóul is thírsting. My bódy pínes for yóu * like a drý, weary lánd without wáter. So I gáze on yóu in the sánctuary * to sée your stréngth and your glóry.

For your lóve is bétter than lífe, * my líps will spéak your práise. So I will bléss you áll my lífe, *

in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, * my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my béd I remémber yóu. *
On yóu I múse through the níght for yóu have béen my hélp; *
in the shádow of your wíngs I rejóice.
My sóul clíngs to yóu; *
your ríght hand hólds me fást.

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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Antiphon 2

My heart burns within me; I long to see my Lord; I look for him, but I cannot find where they have put him, alleluia.

Canticle - Daniel 3:57-88, 56

Let all creatures praise the Lord

All you servants of the Lord, sing praise to him (Revelation 19:5).

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.*
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord.*
You heavens, bless the Lord.
All you waters above the heavens, bless the Lord.*
All you hosts of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Sun and moon, bless the Lord.*
Stars of heaven, bless the Lord.

Every shower and dew, bless the Lord.*
All you winds, bless the Lord.
Fire and heat, bless the Lord.*
Cold and chill, bless the Lord.

Dew and rain, bless the Lord. *
Frost and chill, bless the Lord.
Ice and snow, bless the Lord. *
Nights and days, bless the Lord.
Light and darkness, bless the Lord. *
Lightnings and clouds, bless the Lord.

Let the earth bless the Lord. *
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Mountains and hills, bless the Lord. *
Everything growing from the earth, bless the Lord.
You springs, bless the Lord. *
Seas and rivers, bless the Lord.
You dolphins and all water creatures, bless the Lord. *
All you birds of the air, bless the Lord.
All you beasts, wild and tame, bless the Lord. *
You sons of men, bless the Lord.

O Israel, bless the Lord.*
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord.*
Servants of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Spirits and souls of the just, bless the Lord.*
Holy men of humble heart, bless the Lord.
Hananiah, Azariah, Mishael, bless the Lord.*
Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *Let us praise and exalt him above all forever.

Blessed are you, Lord, in the firmament of heaven. *Praiseworthy and glorious and exalted above all forever.

Antiphon

My heart burns within me; I long to see my Lord; I look for him, but I cannot find where they have put him, alleluia.

Antiphon 3

While Mary was weeping she bent down to look into the tomb; she saw two angels seated there, clothed in white, alleluia.

Psalm 149

The joy of God's holy people.

Let the sons of the Church, the children of the new people, rejoice in Christ, their King (Hesychius).

Síng a new sóng to the Lórd,*
his práise in the assémbly of the fáithful.
Let Ísrael rejóice in its máker,*
let Zíon's sons exúlt in their kíng.
Let them práise his náme with dáncing *
and make músic with tímbrel and hárp.

For the Lórd takes delight in his péople. *
He crówns the póor with salvátion.
Let the fáithful rejóice in their glóry, *
shout for jóy and táke their rést.
Let the práise of Gód be on their líps *
and a twó-edged swórd in their hánd,

to déal out véngeance to the nátions * and púnishment on áll the péoples; to bínd their kíngs in cháins * and their nóbles in fétters of íron; to cárry out the séntence pre-ordáined; * this hónor is for áll his fáithful.

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 12:1-2

Brothers, I beg you through the mercy of God to offer your bodies as

a living sacrifice holy and acceptable to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, so that you may judge what is God's will, what is good, pleasing and perfect.

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

When Jesus had risen from the dead on the morning after the Sabbath, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven devils.

Luke 1:68-79

The Messiah and his forerunner

Make sign of cross

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old † that he would save us from our enemies, * from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers * and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: * to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

free to worship him without fear, * holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; * for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation * by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God * the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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, 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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