

Morning Prayer for Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021

Presider: God, come to **my** assistance.

All: Lord, make haste to help me.

Presider: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy **Spirit**:

All -- as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

HYMN

Brightness of the Father's glory
Springing from eternal light,
Source of light by light engendered.
Day enlightening eve'ry day.

In your ever-lasting radiance
Shine upon us, Christ, true su'n,
Bringing life to mind and **body**
Through the Holy Spirit's pow'r.

Father of unfading **glory**.
Rich in grace and Strong to save.
Hear our prayers and come to **save** us,
Keep us far from sinful ways.

Dawn is drawing ever **nearer**,
Dawn that brings us all we seek,
Son who dwells within the **Father**,
Father ut·ter·ing one Word.

Glory be to God the **Father**.
Glory to his Only Son,
Glory now and through all **ages**
To the Spirit Advocate.

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PSALMODY

Cantor: Ant. 1 -- *Look, O Lord, and see my suffering. Come quickly* to my aid.

Psalm 80

Lord, come, take care of your vineyard. Come, Lord Jesus (Revelation 22:20).

*O shepherd of Israel, **hear** us,
you who lead Joseph's flock,
shine forth from your cherub**im** throne
upon Ephraim, Benjamin, Manasseh.
O Lord, rouse up **your** might,
O Lord, come to our help.*

God of hosts bring **us** back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

Lord God of hosts, **how** long
will you frown on your people's plea?
You have fed them with tears for **their** bread,
an abundance of tears for their drink.
You have made us the taunt of our **neighbors**,
our enemies laugh us to scorn.

God of hosts, bring **us** back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

You brought a vine out of **Egypt**;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
Before it you cleared **the** ground;
it took root and spread through the land.

The mountains were covered with its **shadow**,
the cedars of God with its boughs.
It stretched out its branches to **the** sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.

Then why have you broken down **its** walls?

It is plucked by all who pass by.

It is ravaged by the boar of the **forest**,
devoured by the beasts of the field.

God of hosts, turn again, we **implore**,
look down from heaven and see.

Visit the vine and **protect** it,
the vine your right hand has planted.

Men have burnt it with fire and **destroyed** it.
May they perish at the frown of your face.

May your hand be on the man you have **chosen**,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you **again**;
give us life that we may call upon your name.

God of hosts, bring **us** back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

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-prayer

Lord God, eternal shepherd, you so tend the vineyard you planted that now it extends its branches even to the farthest coast. Look down on your Church and come to us. Help us remain in your Son as branches on the vine, that, planted firmly in your love, we may testify before the whole world to your great power working everywhere.

All: Ant. 1 -- *Look, O Lord*, and see my **suffering**. Come quickly to my aid.

Cantor: Ant. 2 -- *God is my savior; I trust in him and shall not fear.*

*Canticle – Isaiah 12:1-6. Joy of God’s ransomed people
If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink (John 7:37).*

*I give you thanks, O Lord;
though you have been angry with me,
your anger has abated, and you have consoled me. †*

God indeed is my savior;
I am confident and unafraid.
My strength and my courage is **the** Lord,
and he has been my savior.
With joy you will draw **water**
at the fountain of salvation, and say on that day:

Give thanks to the Lord, acclaim **his** name;
among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name. †

Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious **achievement**;
let this be known throughout all the earth.
Shout with exultation, O city of **Zion**,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Is’ra’el!

Presider: *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
All — as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

All: Ant. 2 -- *God is my savior; I trust in him and shall not fear.*

Cantor: Ant. 3 -- *The Lord has fed us with the finest wheat; he has filled us with
honey from the rock.*

Psalm 81

Solemn renewal of the Covenant. See that no one among you has a faithless heart (Hebrews 3:12).

Ring out your joy to God **our** strength,
shout in triumph to the God of Jacob.

Raise a song and sound the **timbrel**,
the sweet-sounding harp and the lute;
blow the trumpet at the **new** moon,
when the moon is full, on our feast.

For this is **Israel's** law,
a command of the God of Jacob.
He imposed it as a rule on **Joseph**,
when he went out against the land of Egypt.

A voice I did not know said **to** me:
"I freed your shoulder from the burden;
your hands were freed from **the** load.
You called in distress and I saved you.

I answered, concealed in the **storm** cloud;
at the waters of Meribah I tested you.
Listen, my people, to my **warning**.
O Israel, if only you would heed!

Let there be no foreign god **among** you.
no worship of an alien god.
I am the Lord **your** God,
who brought you from the land of Egypt.
Open wide your mouth and I will fill it. †

But my people did not heed **my** voice
and Israel would not obey,
so I left them in their stubbornness **of** heart
to follow their own designs.

O that my people would **heed** me,
that Israel would walk in my ways!
At once I would subdue **their** foes,
turn my hand against their enemies.

The Lord's enemies would cringe at **their** feet
and their subjection would last for ever.
But Israel I would feed with **finest** wheat
and fill them with honey from the rock."

Presider: *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*

All — as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Psalm-prayer

Presider: Lord God, open our mouths to proclaim your glory. Help us to leave sin behind and to rejoice in professing your name.

All: Ant. 3 --*The Lord has fed us with the finest wheat; he has filled us with honey from the rock.*

READING Hebrews 2:9-10 - **Presider**

We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, that through God's gracious will he might taste death for the sake of all men. Indeed, it was fitting that when bringing many sons to glory God, for whom and through whom all things exist, should make their leader in the work of salvation perfect through suffering.

Sacred Silence (*indicated by a bell*) – *a moment to reflect and receive in our hearts the full resonance of the voice of the Holy Spirit and to unite our personal prayer more closely with the word of God and public voice of the Church.*

RESPONSORY – **Led by Presider. All respond.**

By your own blood, Lord, you brought us back to God.
— By your own blood, Lord, you brought us back to God.

From every tribe, and tongue, and people and nation,
— you brought us back to God.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
— By your own blood, Lord, you brought us back to God.

CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH

Cantor: Ant. 4 -- *I have longed to eat this meal with you before I suffer.* †

Luke 1:68 – 79

The Messiah and his forerunner

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.

All: Ant. 4 -- *I have longed to eat this meal with you before I suffer.* †

INTERCESSIONS Led by Presider. All respond.

The Father anointed Christ with the Holy Spirit to proclaim forgiveness to those in bondage. Let us humbly call upon the eternal priest:

Lord, have mercy on us.

You went up to Jerusalem to suffer and so enter into your glory,
— bring your Church to the Passover feast of heaven.

Lord, have mercy on us.

You were lifted high on the cross and pierced by the soldier's lance,
— heal our wounds.

Lord, have mercy on us.

You made the cross the tree of life,
— give its fruit to those reborn in baptism.

Lord, have mercy on us.

On the cross you forgave the repentant thief,
— forgive us our sins.

Lord, have mercy on us.

The Lord's Prayer - Presider invites all to pray 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 - Presider

O God,
who anointed your Only Begotten Son
with the Holy Spirit
and made him Christ and Lord,
graciously grant
that, being made sharers in his consecration,
we may bear witness to your Redemption in the world.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
— Amen.

DISMISSAL - Presider

May the Lord bless us,
protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.
— Amen.

Ribbon Placement:

Liturgy of the Hours Vol. II:

Ordinary: 1049

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Psalter: Thursday, Week II, 1305

Christian Prayer:

Ordinary: 689

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Psalter: Thursday, Week II, 824