

Lent Day 26

Morning Office (observed between 6-9am)

The Call to Prayer

But I, O LORD, cry out to you;
in the morning my prayer comes before you Ps.88:13

The Request for Presence

On the day I called, you answered me,
you increased my strength of soul Ps 138:4

The Greeting

¹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever! Ps 118:1

The Refrain for Morning Lesson

⁴ Let those who fear the LORD say,
'His steadfast love endures for ever. Ps 118:4

The Reading

⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. John 15:5-7

The Refrain for Morning Lesson

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Morning Psalm

²¹ I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.
²² The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
²³ This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Ps 118:20-24

The Refrain for Morning Lesson

⁴ Let those who fear the LORD say,
‘His steadfast love endures for ever. Ps 118:4

Lord’s Prayer

Prayer for the Week

Lord God, Creator of the Universe, Father of the Son, Lord of our Lives, as we enter week four of Lent deeper our commitment to you. Give us the faith to serve you in the world. Give us the faith to be Cross Bearers for the sake of the Gospel. Amen and Amen and Amen. Let it be so!

Concluding Prayer

Lord Have Mercy. Christ Have Mercy. Lord Have Mercy. Walk with me today. I seek only your presence for this day. Amen.

Midday Office (observed 11am to 2 PM)

The Call to Prayer

Hear my prayer, O LORD;
let my cry come to you. Ps 102:1b

The request for Presence

The LORD is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation. Ps 118:4

Greeting

⁶ With the LORD on my side I do not fear.
What can mortals do to me? Ps 118:6

Refrain for Midday Lesson

⁸ It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to put confidence in mortals. Ps 118:8

Reading

⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. ⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. John 15:8-11

Refrain for Midday Lesson

⁸ It is better to take refuge in the LORD
than to put confidence in mortals. Ps 118:8

Midday Psalm

²⁵ Save us, we beseech you, O LORD!
O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.
We bless you from the house of the LORD. Ps 118:25-26

Refrain for Midday Lesson

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than to put confidence in mortals. Ps 118:8

Lord's Prayer

Prayer for the Week

Lord God, Creator of the Universe, Father of the Son, Lord of our Lives, as we enter week four of Lent deeper our commitment to you. Give us the faith to serve you in the world. Give us the faith to be Cross Bearers for the sake of the Gospel. Amen and Amen and Amen. Let it be so!

Concluding Prayer of the Church

Lord God, my soul longs for you. May your Holy Spirit fill me with joy and wonder. May I celebrate your great love in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Vespers Office (to be observed 7-10 pm)

Call to Prayer

He will regard the prayer of the destitute,
and will not despise their prayer. Ps 102:17

Request for Presence

Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually. Ps 105:4

Greeting

¹⁶ the right hand of the LORD is exalted;
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly. Ps 118:16

Hymn

Verse 1

**Jesus priceless treasure
Source of purest pleasure
Friend most sure and true
Long my heart was burning
Fainting much and yearning
Thirsting Lord for You
Yours I am O spotless Lamb
So will I let nothing hide You
Seek no joy beside You**

Verse 2

**Let Your arms surround me
Those who try to wound me
Cannot reach me here
Though the world is shaking
Earth and nations quaking
Jesus calms my fear
Satan's force must run its course
And his bitter storms assail me
Jesus will not fail me**

Verse 3

**Banish thoughts of sadness
For the Lord of gladness
Jesus enters in
Though the clouds may gather
Those who love the Savior
Still have peace within
Though I bear much sorrow here
Still in You lies purest pleasure
Jesus priceless treasure**

Refrain for Vesper Lesson

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD Ps 118:19

Vesper Psalm

²⁷ The LORD is God,
and he has given us light.
Bind the festal procession with branches,
up to the horns of the altar.
²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.
²⁹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures for ever Ps 118:27-29

Refrain for Vesper Lesson

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD Ps 118:19

Lord's Prayer

Prayer of the week

Lord God, Creator of the Universe, Father of the Son, Lord of our Lives, as we enter week four of Lent deeper our commitment to you. Give us the faith to serve you in the world. Give us the faith to be Cross Bearers for the sake of the Gospel. Amen and Amen and Amen. Let it be so!

Concluding Prayer of the Church

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
It is in dying to self that we are born to eternal life