

Lent Day 36

Morning Office (observed between 6-9am)

The Call to Prayer

Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty firmament Ps. 150:1

The Request for Presence

Praise him for his mighty deeds;

praise him according to his surpassing greatness! Ps. 150:2

The Greeting

¹ I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise; Ps 138:1

The Refrain for Morning Lesson

³ On the day I called, you answered me,
you increased my strength of soul. Ps 138:3

The Reading

28 After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfil the scripture), 'I am thirsty.'²⁹A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth.³⁰When Jesus had received the wine, he said, 'It is finished.' Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. John 19:28-30

The Refrain for Morning Lesson

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Morning Psalm

¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.

³ You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways Ps 139:1-3

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Lord's Prayer

Prayer for the Week

As we enter the last week before Holy Week, Lord we pray that our Lenten journey will continue beyond Lent. We pray you prepare us to more fully understand this great love that you have for us. We pray that we will see Holy Week with fresh eyes and open hearts. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Creator God, it is amazing that you love us the way that you do. It is amazing that you would send your Son to this earth for us. It is amazing that you love even when we don't love you. This day help us to reflect on your love and to love you in return through your Son Jesus our Lord.

Midday Office (observed 11am to 2 PM)

The Call to Prayer

Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the LORD. Ps. 4:5

The request for Presence

Give ear to my words, O LORD;
give heed to my sighing. Ps. 5:1

Greeting

⁴ All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD,
for they have heard the words of your mouth. Ps 138:4

Refrain for Midday Lesson

⁵ They shall sing of the ways of the LORD,
for great is the glory of the LORD. Ps 138:5

Reading

38 After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. ³⁹Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. ⁴⁰They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. ⁴¹Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. ⁴²And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there John 19:38-42

Refrain for Midday Lesson

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for great is the glory of the LORD. Ps 138:5

Midday Psalm

⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue,
O LORD, you know it completely.
⁵ You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it. Ps 139:4-6

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Concluding Prayer of the Church

Eternal God, open our eyes and souls to the many blessings you give us. Help us to appreciate the gift of creation, eyes to see, ears to hear, brains to think, and marvel at how you created us. Help us O God to see how blessed we are that you made us.
Amen

Vespers Office (to be observed 7-10 pm)

Call to Prayer

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge Ps.16:1

Request for Presence

And those who know your name put their trust in you,
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you. Ps.9:10

Greeting

⁶ For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly;
but the haughty he perceives from far away. Ps 138:6

Hymn

Verse 1

**All glory laud and honor
To Thee Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring
Thou art the King of Israel
Thou David's royal Son
Who in the Lord's name comest
The King and Blessed One**

Verse 2

**The company of angels
Are praising Thee on high
And mortal men and all
Things created make reply
The people of the Hebrews
With palms before Thee went
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before Thee we present**

Verse 3

**To Thee before Thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise
To Thee now high exalted
Our melody we raise
Thou didst accept their praises
Accept the praise we bring
Who in all good delightest
Thou good and gracious King**

Refrain for Vesper Lesson

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; Ps 138:7

Vesper Psalm

⁷ Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
⁹ If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast. Ps 139:7-10

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Concluding Prayer of the Church

Lord God quiet my mind so that I can fall asleep in your presence. Help me to celebrate the blessings of this day. Give me a spirit of thankfulness and generosity to imagine how lucky I am to have you in my life. Amen.