

Vespers

EVENING PRAYER

PSALTER, EASTER WEEKDAY IV



THE MOST REVEREND
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TUESDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF MAY, 7 P.M.
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY

THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

✠ 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.



HYMN

O' WORSHIP THE KING



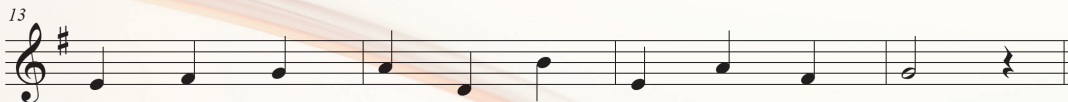
Oh, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove. Oh,
Oh, tell of his might; oh, sing of his grace, Whose
The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al -
Your boun - ti - ful care what tongues can re - cite? It
Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail, In



grate - ful - ly sing his pow'r and his love; Our
robe is the light, whose can - o - py space; His
migh - ty, your pow'r has found - ed of old, Es -
breathes in the air, it shines in the night, It
you do we trust, nor find you to fail; Your



shield and de - fen - der, the An - cient of Days, Pa -
char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form, And
tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree, And
streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain And
mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm in the end, Our



vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
round it has cast like a man - tle the sea.
sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
ma - ker, de - fen - der, re - deem - er, and friend.

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1: *Sing for us one of Zion's songs, alleluia.*

Psalm 137:1-6 **By the rivers of Babylon**

The Babylonian captivity is a type of our spiritual captivity. (Saint Hilary)

By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept, remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there
we hung up our harps.

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy.
Sing to us, they said,
one of Zion's songs.

O how could we sing the song of the Lord
on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither!

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys!

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, remember your pilgrim Church. We sit weeping at the streams of Babylon. Do not let us be drawn into the current of the passing world, but free us from every evil and raise our thoughts to the heavenly Jerusalem.

Antiphon: *Sing for us one of Zion's songs, alleluia.*

Antiphon 2: *Though I am surrounded by affliction, you preserve my life, alleluia.*

Psalm 138 Thanksgiving

The king of the earth will bring his glory and honor into the holy city. (Revelation 21:24)

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.

All earth's kings shall thank you
when they hear the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the Lord's ways:
How great is the glory of the Lord!

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes.

You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.

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: Listen to the prayers of your Church, Lord God. In the presence of the angels we praise your name. You keep the proud at a distance and look upon the lowly with favor. Stretch out your hand to us in our suffering. Perfect in us the work of your love and bring us to life.

Antiphon: *Though I am surrounded by affliction, you preserve my life, alleluia.*

Antiphon 3: *Yours, O Lord, is majesty and power, glory and triumph, alleluia.*

Canticle - Revelation 4:11;5-9,10,12
Redemption hymn

Lord our God, you are worthy
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things;
by your will they came to be and were made.

Worthy are you, O Lord,
to receive the scroll and to break open its seals.

For you were slain;
with your blood you purchased for God
men and women of every race and tongue,
of every people and nation.

You made of them a kingdom and priests to serve our God,
and they shall reign on earth.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain
to receive power and riches,
wisdom and strength,
honor and glory and praise.

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: *Yours, O Lord, is majesty and power, glory and triumph,
alleluia.*

READING

1 Peter 2:4-5

Come to the Lord, a living stone, rejected by human beings but
chosen and precious in the sight of God, and, like living stones, let
yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to
offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

RESPONSORY

The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.

- The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.

When they saw the risen Lord,

- alleluia, alleluia.

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

- The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.

HOMILY



Canticle of Mary

Antiphon:

I know my sheep and they follow me; I give them eternal life, alleluia

MARY'S SONG OF PRAISE



1. Sing, my soul, sing out your prais - es; Sing, for
2. Hearts of pride our God will scat - ter, Haugh - ty
3. Glo - ry be to God al - might - y, Guid - ing



1. God ex - alt - ed me. Look - ing on this
2. ones will be cast down, Rais - ing those who
3. us in per - fect love. Glo - ry be to



1. low - ly serv - ant, All shall bless me ten - der - ly.
2. once were low - ly, Feed - ing all who are God's own.
3. Je - sus, Sav - ior, God's own Word from heav'n a - bove.



1. Might - y God has shown great fa - vor, Ho - ly
2. Is - ra - el, up - held in mer - cy, Knows the
3. Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it, Might - y



1. is that won - drous name. Mer - ci - ful to
2. heav'n - ly, prom - ised grace Giv'n to A - bra -
3. wind and burn - ing fire. Saints and sin - ners,



1. all earth's chil - dren, Age to age, God loves the same.
2. ham and Sar - ah, Par - ents of our cho - sen race.
3. join in sing - ing With the blest ce - les - tial choir.

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INTERCESSIONS

By his resurrection Christ has given sure hope to his people. Let us ask him with our whole hearts:

Lord Jesus, you live forever; hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, from your wounded side flowed blood and water,

- make the Church your spotless bride.

Chief shepherd, after your resurrection you made Peter shepherd of your flock when he professed his love for you,

- increase from day to day the love and devotion of Francis, our Pope.

You showed your disciples how to make a great catch of fish,

- send others to continue their work as fishers of men.

At the lakeside you prepared bread and fish for your disciples,

- grant that we may never allow others to die of hunger.

Jesus, the new Adam and life-giving spirit, transform the dead into your own likeness,

- that the fullness of your joy may be theirs.

Our Father...

PRAYER

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that, celebrating the mysteries of the Lord's Resurrection,
we may merit to receive the joy of our redemption.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Dismissal

The Lord be with you. ...



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