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# **Liturgy of the Hours**

## **Ordinary Time**

### **Volume I**

**Benedictine Women of Madison  
Holy Wisdom Monastery  
Middleton, Wisconsin**

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## *Welcome to the Liturgy of the Hours*

Welcome to the liturgy of the hours as practiced by the  
Benedictine Women of Madison.

We pray each day at morning, midday, and evening  
according to the monastic pattern of worship  
using hymns, psalms,  
scripture and prayer.

We invite you to join us in prayer  
and to share with us  
in this ancient pattern of worship.

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## Thursday Midday Week I

### Call to prayer

*Leader* O God, come to our assistance.

*All* O God, make haste to help us.

Glory be to our Creator,  
to our Redeemer, Jesus Christ,  
and to the Spirit of Life,  
who dwells in our midst now and forever. Amen.  
Alleluia.

### Hymn 13

### Reading

### Psalm 119:73-96

*Solo* Your hands shaped me;  
inspire me to learn your wisdom.  
The just see me and rejoice,  
because I hope in your word.

*Side 1* How right your judgments, God,  
how wisely you humble me.  
Comfort me with your love,  
just as you promised.

*Side 2* Shower my life with tenderness,  
for I delight in your law.  
I ponder your decrees.

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- Side 1*      Gather your faithful ones  
to acknowledge your rule.  
Keep me true to your precepts,  
free of all shame.
- Side 2*      All that I am longs for you,  
I wait for your word.  
My eyes are strained from searching;  
when will you comfort me?
- Side 1*      Though dried up like old leather,  
I never forget your commands.  
How many days do I have left?  
Will you punish those who hurt me?
- Side 2*      Rebels scheme to trap me,  
because they scorn your law.  
Your commandments are true.
- Side 1*      Help! They try to kill me,  
but I have not deserted you.  
In your love give me life,  
so I may keep your decrees.
- Side 2*      Your word is forever, God,  
fixed in the heavens.  
You made the earth firm,  
your faithfulness is eternal.
- Side 1*      According to your decree  
all exist to serve you.  
Had I not loved your law,  
I would have wasted away.

*Side 2* I never forget your word,  
for it is my life.  
I am yours, save me!  
I study your precepts.

*All* The wicked plot against me,  
but I cling to your decrees.  
All creatures have limits,  
your rule has no frontier.

*Stand*

Glory be to our Creator,  
to our Redeemer, Jesus Christ,  
and to the Spirit of Life,  
who dwells in our midst now and forever. Amen.

**Gospel**

**Oration**

**Dismissal**

*Leader* Let us go in peace.

*All* And give God thanks.

# God Grant Us Greening



1. God grant us green - ing hearts born a - new,  
 2. Wild rose of Shar - on, crowned with its thorn,  
 3. God grant us green - ing. God grant us spring,



bathed with each morn - ing's wak - en - ing dew: God  
 myrrh's mourn - ing waits for One new - ly born. God  
 hope res - ur - rec - ting each liv - ing thing: God



grant us green - ing, spring, sum - mer, fall and  
 grant us green - ing, spring, sum - mer, fall and  
 grant us green - ing, spring, sum - mer, fall and



in the mid - win - ter, the green-est of all!\_\_\_  
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