Liturgy of the Hours

Ordinary Time

Volume I

Benedictine Women of Madison
Holy Wisdom Monastery
Middleton, Wisconsin
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.
Thursday Midday
Week III

Call to prayer

Leader  O God, come to our assistance.

All  O God, make haste to help us.

All honor to God, the giver of life,
to Christ, the risen one,
and to the Spirit, bond of love,
let glory and praise be sung. Amen.
Alleluia.

Hymn 19

Reading

Psalm 127

Solo  If God does not build the house,
the builders work in vain.
If God does not watch over the city,
the guards watch in vain.

Side 1  How foolish to rise early
and slave until night for bread.
Those who please God receive as much
even while they sleep.

Side 2  Children are God’s gift,
a blessing to those who bear them;
like arrows in the hand of an archer
are children born to the young.
All  Happy those with a full quiver:
facing their enemies at the gate,
they stand without shame!

Stand

All honor to God, the giver of life,
to Christ, the risen one,
and to the Spirit, bond of love,
let glory and praise be sung. Amen.

Gospel

Oration

Dismissal

Leader  Let us go in peace.

All  And give God thanks.
Your Glory, O God

1. Your glory, O God, in Christ is dis-

2. The gospel of Christ shines deep in our

3. Transform us, O God; by grace may we

played, the glory you dream for all you have

hearts, illumines our work, our worship and

be reflections of Christ in growing de-

made, for Christ bears your imprint and mirrors your

arts. Inspired by your Spirit, who frees us from

gree. Remove every tarnish that dims your de-

face, reflecting your image, your wisdom and grace.

fear, we pray that our likeness to Christ may be clear.
sign; like Christ, may we mirror your glory divine.

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