
Liturgy of the Hours

Easter

**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.

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Thursday Midday
Week III

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 **MD-5**

Reading

Psalm 127

Solo If God does not build the house,
in vain do its builders labor;
if God does not watch over the city,
in vain do the watchers keep vigil.

Side 1 In vain is your earlier rising,
your going later to rest,
you who toil for the bread you eat,
when God pours gifts on the beloved while
they slumber.

Side 2 Yes, children are a gift from God,
a blessing, the fruit of the womb.
The sons and daughters of youth
are like arrows in the hand of a warrior.

All O the happiness of those
who have filled their quiver with these arrows!
They will have no cause for shame
when they dispute with their foes in the gateways.

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.

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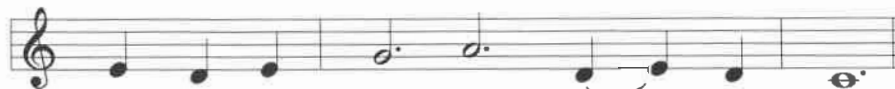
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Cleansed by the blood of Christ the Lamb:
Dead in the tomb with Christ the Lamb:
Marked with the sign of Christ the Lamb:



Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust - ing his prom - ise,
One with his ris - ing, Freed and for - giv - en,
Called to be free now, We are God's child - ren,



Sing we now to the great I Am.
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