

# **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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**Friday 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**

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**Reading**

**Psalm 128**

*Solo* O blessed are you who fear the Holy One  
and walk in God's ways!

By the labor of your hands you shall eat.  
You will be happy and prosper;  
the wife like a fruitful vine  
in the heart of the house;  
children like shoots of the olive,  
around the table.

*All* Indeed thus shall be blessed  
those who fear God.  
May God bless you from Zion  
all the days of your life!  
May you see your children's children  
in a happy Jerusalem!

*All* On Israel, peace!

*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**

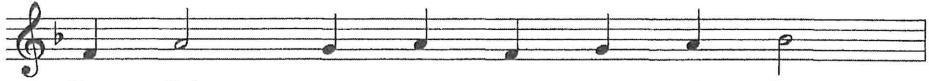
**Dismissal**

*Leader* Let us go in peace.

*All* And give God thanks.

# To God Compose a Song of Joy

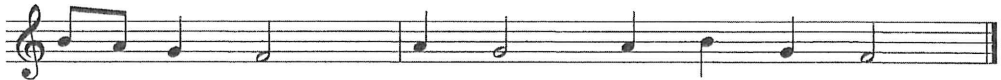
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1. To God com - pose a song of joy;  
2. With trum - pet, with the sound of horns,  
3. Let seas in all their full - ness roar;



to God make mel - o - dy, whose arm of strength does  
with strings, yes, with the lyre, with voic - es praise the  
sing, peo - ple of all lands; let moun - tains join and



won - drous things, whose hand brings vic - to - ry!  
sov - 'reign God, a lus - ty joy - ous choir.  
shout - for joy; let riv - ers clap their hands.

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## **Prayer of Jesus**

Holy One, our only Home,  
blessed be your name,  
may your day dawn,  
your will be done,  
here, as in heaven.

Feed us today, and forgive us  
as we forgive each other.

Do not forsake us at the test,  
but deliver us from evil.

For the glory, the power,  
and the mercy are yours,  
now and forever.

Amen.

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