

# **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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**Tuesday 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 125**

*Solo* Those who put their trust in God  
are like Mount Zion, that cannot be shaken,  
that stands forever.

*All* Jerusalem! The mountains surround her,  
so our God surrounds the people  
both now and forever.

*Solo* For the scepter of the wicked shall not rest  
over the land of the just  
for fear that the hands of the just  
should turn to evil.

*All* Do good, O God, to those who are good,  
to the upright of heart;  
but the crooked and those who do evil,  
drive them away!

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.

## Resurrection Joy



1. Spring is spread-ing through the prai-rie; grass-es green-ing flow-ers bloom.
2. Res-ur-rec-tion weaves its pat-tern in each an-i-mal and tree.
3. May we then in our own liv-ing emp-ty out our per-sonal tombs,



Birds are sing-ing; songs re-fresh-ing heal the soul of win-ter's gloom.  
 In the mea-dows, at the lake-side, re-birth for us all to see.  
 Leave be-hind the past, its bur-dens, born a-gain from Sa-cred Womb.



Col-ors now ap-pear trans-form-ing earth in-to a gar-den place.  
 From the deep soil, from the-dark-ness, from the-fal-low time of year,  
 Eas-ter chang-es heart and-spir-it; res-ur-rec-tion now is real.



Ho-ly breeze of God's own Spir-it makes the knoll a Sa-cred Space.  
 From the death that brings new liv-ing, blos-som, bloom, and fruit ap-pear.  
 Cos-mic Christ dwells deep with-in us, form-ing us in com-mon-weal.

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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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