Daytime Prayer

Wednesday, May 14, 2003

Saint Matthias, Apostle

OPENING

O God, come to my assistance.

Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

HYMN

> **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
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> Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
> sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.

PSALMODY

Psalm 136 *By the Waters of Babylon (Part II)*

> *Ant. This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Alleluia.*

If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand be forgotten.
Let my tongue cling to my jaws if I do not remember you,
if I do not set Jerusalem forth as the beginning of my joy.
Remember, O Lord, the sons of Edom, on the day of Jerusalem,
who said: "Tear it down, tear it down, even to its foundation!"
O daughter of Babylon, you are wretched; blessed is he who repays you your payment,
which you have paid to us.
Blessed is he who will hold and dash your little ones against the rock.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

> *Ant. This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Alleluia.*

Psalm 137 *I Give Thanks With My Whole Heart*

> *Ant. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; let us therefore celebrate the feast. Alleluia.*

I will confess to you, O Lord, with my whole heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth.

In the sight of the angels, I will sing to you; I will adore toward your holy temple, and I will confess to your name.

Your mercy and your truth, for you have magnified your holy oracle above all things.

In whatever day I will call upon you, hear me; you will increase virtue in my soul.

Let all the kings of the earth confess to you, O Lord; for they have heard all the words of your mouth.

And let them sing in the ways of the Lord; for the glory of the Lord is great.

For the Lord is exalted, yet he looks toward the humble; and he knows the lofty one from a distance.

If I walk in the midst of tribulation, you will enliven me; and you stretched forth your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand has saved me.

The Lord will repay on my behalf; O Lord, your mercy is forever; do not despise the works of your hands.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

> *Ant. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; let us therefore celebrate the feast. Alleluia.*

SHORT READING

LUKE 24:34

The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon. Alleluia.

RESPONSORY

V. This is the day the Lord has made. Alleluia.

R. Let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Lord of the resurrection, as the sun stands at its height, remind us that your light cannot be overcome by any darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us praise the Lord.

And give him thanks.