Daytime Prayer

Thursday, July 24, 2003

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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

God of the Morning

God of the morning, God of the midday hour,
grant us your wisdom and your guiding power;
we pause amid the tasks and toils of day
to seek your face and learn to walk your way.

All things are yours: the sunlight and the rain,
the labor of our hands, the joy and pain;
receive our offering of this broken hour
and bless our work with your renewing power.

To God the Father be all glory given,
and to the Son who drew us close to heaven,
and to the Spirit, fire within the soul,
now and forever, making all things whole.

PSALMODY

Psalm 119 *Psalm 119 (Continued)*

> *Ant. Praise to you, Lord God, now and forever.*

Your testimonies have I kept; and I love them greatly.

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. Praise to you, Lord God, now and forever.*

Psalm 119 *Psalm 119 (Continued)*

> *Ant. Praise to you, Lord God, now and forever.*

I have kept your commandments and testimonies, for all my ways are in your sight.

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. Praise to you, Lord God, now and forever.*

SHORT READING

MATTHEW 5:16

Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.

RESPONSORY

V. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

R. We bless you from the house of the Lord.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Almighty God, you sent your Son not to be served but to serve. Strengthen us to be servants of one another and of all who are in need; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us praise the Lord.

And give him thanks.