Daytime Prayer

Tuesday, March 25, 2008

The Annunciation of the Lord

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 119 *The Lord Is My Portion (Zain)*

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

You are my portion, O Lord; I have said that I would keep your law.

I have entreated your face with all my heart; have mercy on me according to your word.

I have considered your ways, and I have turned my feet into your testimonies.

I am prepared, and I am not troubled, so as to keep your commandments.

The cords of the wicked have surrounded me, and I have not forgotten your law.

At midnight I rose to confess to you, upon the judgments of your justification.

I am a partaker with all who fear you and who keep your commandments.

The earth, O Lord, is full of your mercy; teach me your justifications.

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 119 *You Have Been Good (Heth)*

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

You have acted with goodness toward your servant, O Lord, according to your word.

Teach me goodness and discipline and knowledge; for I have believed in your commandments.

Before I was humbled, I offended; therefore I have kept your word.

You are good, and in your goodness teach me your justifications.

The iniquity of the proud has been multiplied over me, but with my whole heart I will seek your commandments.

Their heart has been curdled like milk, but I have meditated on your law.

It is good for me that you have humbled me, so that I might learn your justifications.

The law of your mouth is better for me than thousands in gold and silver.

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

JOHN 20:29

Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. Alleluia.

RESPONSORY

V. This is the day the Lord has made. Alleluia.
R. Let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

God of life, your Son rose at dawn and appeared in the garden. Be present to us also at this midday hour with your Easter grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us praise the Lord.
And give him thanks.