

Tuesday Vespers

Leader: O God, come to my assistance.

All: O 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. Alleluia.

Hymn

Antiphon 1. Store up your treasure in heaven, * cherish the ↑ things that will last.

Psalm 49

Hear these words, all you peoples, + give heed, all who dwell in the world, * people who rank both low and high, rich and poor alike! My lips will speak words of wisdom. * My heart is full of insight. I will turn my mind to a proverb, * with the harp I will solve my problem:
why should I fear in evil days * the malice of the foes who surround me, people who trust in their wealth, * and boast of the size of their riches? For we cannot buy our own ransom, + or pay a price to God for our lives.
* Ransoming souls is beyond our power.
We cannot buy life without end, * nor avoid coming to the grave.
We know that the wise and the fools both must perish, * and leave their wealth to others.
Their graves are their homes forever, + their dwelling place from age to age, * though their names spread wide through all the land.
In their riches, all people lack wisdom: * they are like beasts that perish.

This is the lot of those who rust in themselves, * who have others at their beck and call.
Like sheep they are meant for the grave, * where death shall be their shepherd.
In the morning the righteous will rule over them, * and the grave will become their home.
But God will save me from death; * the Lord will possess my soul forever.
Then do not fear when people grow rich, * when the glory of their houses increase.
They take nothing with them when they die, * their wealth will not follow them down.
Though they flattered themselves while they lived: * "People will praise me for all my success,"
yet they will follow their forebears, * who will never see light anymore.
In their riches, all people lack wisdom: * they are like beasts that perish.
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.
Antiphon. Store up your treasure in heaven, * cherish the things that will last.

Antiphon 2. Let the word of Christ dwell in you, * and let your mouth be filled with my praise.

Psalm 119 (Beth)

How shall the young remain sinless? * By obeying your word.
I have sought you with all my heart; * let me not break your commands.
I treasure your law in my heart, + lest I sin against you. * You are blest,
Lord, teach me your ways.
With my tongue I recount * all the decrees of your lips.

I rejoice to do your will, * as though it were my own.

I will ponder all your precepts, * and consider your paths.

I find my delight in your law; * I will not forget your word.

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.

Antiphon. Let the word of Christ dwell in you, * and let your mouth be filled with my praise.

Antiphon 3. O God, we thirst for you, * give us to drink of your love.

John 4

If only you knew the gift of God, * and who is asking you for a drink, you would have asked me instead, * and I would have given you living water.

Everyone who drinks this water, * will be thirsty again.

But whoever drinks the water I give, * will never know thirst again.

The water I give shall become a fountain within, * leaping up to provide eternal life.

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.

Antiphon. O God, we thirst for you, * give us to drink of your love.

Reading

Response to Reading

Reader: Your Word is more precious than silver or gold, O God.

All: How precious is the way of life you teach us.

Magnificat

Antiphon. My heart exults in my God, my spirit rejoices in my Savior.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for you have looked with favor on your lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blest.

You, the Almighty, have done great things for me, and holy is your name.
You have mercy on those who fear you, from generation to
generation.

You have shown strength with your arm
and scattered the proud in their conceit.

You cast down the mighty from their thrones,
you lift up the lowly.
You have filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away with nothing.

You have come to the aid of your servant Israel
to remember your promise of mercy,
the promise made to our forebears,
to Sarah, Abraham and their children forever.

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.

Antiphon. My heart exults in my God, my spirit rejoices in my Savior.

Intercessory Prayer followed by Silent Prayer

Closing Prayer and Salve Regina