

# Holy Saturday Daytime Prayer (Terce)

*All Stand and make the Sign of the Cross as we begin.*

Presider: God, come to my assistance.

**All: Lord, make haste to help me.**

Presider: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

**All: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**

**Amen.**

**Hymn/Recite:**

Save us, Redeemer, noble creatures formed by you,  
sealed with the radiance from your sacred countenance;  
keep us uninjured by the demons' sly deceit,  
since for this reason you once paid the price of death.

Pity your servants held in base captivity,  
pardon the guilty, lift the shackled from their bonds;  
King, good and holy, bring your eternal joy  
those whom you ransomed by your own redeeming blood. Amen.

*All Sit*

Antiphon: I know that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land  
of the living.

**Psalm 27**

Right Side: The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
before whom shall I shrink?

Left Side: When evil-doers draw near  
to devour my flesh,  
it is they, my enemies and foes,  
who stumble and fall.

Right Side: Though an army encamp against me  
my heart would not fear.  
Though war break out against me  
even then would I trust.

Left Side: There is one thing I ask of the Lord,  
for this I long,  
to live in the house of the Lord,  
all the days of my life,  
to savor the sweetness of the Lord,  
to behold his temple.

Right Side: For there he keeps me safe in his tent  
in the day of evil.  
He hides me in the shelter of his tent,  
on a rock he sets me safe.

Left Side: And now my head shall be raised  
above my foes who surround me,  
and I shall offer within his tent  
a sacrifice of joy.

Right Side: I will sing and make music for the Lord.

Left Side: O Lord, hear my voice when I call;  
have mercy and answer.  
Of you my heart has spoken:  
"Seek his face."

Right Side: It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;  
hide not your face.  
Dismiss not your servant in anger;  
you have been my help.

Left Side: Do not abandon or forsake me,  
O God my help!  
Though father and mother forsake me,  
the Lord will receive me.

Right Side: Instruct me, Lord, in your way;  
on an even path lead me.  
When they lie in ambush, protect me  
from my enemy's greed.  
False witnesses rise against me,  
breathing out fury.

Left Side: I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
and in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord!

Right Side: Glory to the Father, and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit:

**All: as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.**

### **Psalm Prayer**

Presider: Father, you protect and strengthen those who hope in you;  
you heard the cry of your Son and kept him safe in your tent  
in the day of evil. Grant that your servants who seek your  
face in time of trouble may see your goodness in the land of  
the living.

### **Psalm 30**

Right Side: I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me  
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

Left Side: O Lord, I cried to you for help  
and you, my God, have healed me.  
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,  
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

Right Side: Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,  
give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts but a moment; his favor through life.  
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

Left Side: I said to myself in my good fortune:  
"Nothing will ever disturb me."  
Your favor had set me on a mountain fastness,  
then you hid your face and I was put to confusion.

Right Side: To you, Lord, I cried,  
to my God I made appeal:  
"What profit would my death be, my going to the grave?  
Can dust give you praise or proclaim your truth?"

Left Side: The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,  
you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.  
So my soul sings psalms to you unceasingly.  
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

Right Side: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:

**All: as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.**

### **Psalm Prayer**

Presider: God our Father, glorious in giving life, and even more  
glorious in restoring it, when his last night on earth came,  
your Son shed tears of blood, but dawn brought  
incomparable gladness. Do not turn away from us, or we  
shall fall back into dust, but rather turn our mourning into  
joy by raising us up with Christ.

### **Psalm 76**

Right Side: God is made known in Judah;  
in Israel his name is great.  
He set up his tent in Jerusalem  
and his dwelling place in Zion.  
It was there he broke the flashing arrows,  
the shield, the sword, the armor.

Left Side: You, O Lord, are resplendent,  
more majestic than the everlasting mountains.  
The warriors, despoiled, slept in death;  
the hands of the soldiers were powerless.  
At your threat, O God of Jacob,  
horse and rider lay stunned.

Right Side: You, you alone, strike terror.  
Who shall stand when your anger is roused?  
You uttered your sentence from the heavens;  
the earth in terror was still  
when you arose to judge,  
to save the humble of the earth.

Left Side: Men's anger will serve to praise you;  
its survivors surround you with joy.  
Make vows to your God and fulfill them.  
Let all pay tribute to him who strikes terror,  
who cuts short the breath of princes,,  
who strikes terror in the kings of the earth.

Right Side: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:

**All: as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.**

### **Psalm Prayer**

Presider: Your power is awesome, Father, and wonderful is your holiness. In your presence the earth both trembles and stands still, for you shattered death's power by the cross. Rise to help your people: give your light and grant salvation to the meek of the earth, that they may praise your name in heaven.

### **Antiphon**

**All: I know that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in  
the land of the living.**

### **Reading: 1 John 1:8-9**

If we say, "We are free of the guilt of sin," we deceive ourselves; the truth is not to be found in us. But if we acknowledge our sins, he who is just can be trusted to forgive our sins and cleanse us from every wrong.

### **Response**

Reader: You will not leave my soul in hell.

**All: Nor let your holy one experience corruption.**

### **Concluding Prayer:**

Presider: *Let us pray.* All powerful and ever-living God, your only Son went down among the dead and rose again in glory. In your goodness raise up your faithful people, buried with him in baptism, to be one with him in the eternal life of heaven, who lives with you for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

Presider: Let us praise the Lord.

**All: And give him thanks.**