# Daytime Prayer

*Thursday, October 9, 2008*

Saints Denis, Bishop and Martyr, and Companions

## 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**
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> 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.
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> 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.
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> 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** *Forever, O Lord, Your Word (Caph)*

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

Forever, O Lord, your word stands firm in heaven.

Your truth is from generation to generation; you have founded the earth, and it endures.

By your ordinance the day persists, for all things serve you.

Unless your law had been my meditation, perhaps then I would have perished in my humiliation.

Your justifications I will never forget, for in them you have given me life.

I am yours; save me, for I have sought your justifications.

The wicked have waited for me to destroy me; but I have understood your testimonies.

I have seen the end of all perfection; your commandment is exceedingly broad.

*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** *How I Love Your Law! (Lamed)*

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

O how I have loved your law, O Lord! All day long it is my meditation.

By your commandment, you have made me wiser than my enemies; for it is mine forever.

I have understood more than all my teachers, because your testimonies are my meditation.

I have understood more than the elders, because I have sought your commandments.

From every evil path I have restrained my feet, so that I might keep your words.

I have not declined from your judgments, because you have established a law for me.

How sweet are your words to my palate, more so than honey to my mouth!

By your commandments I have gained understanding; therefore I have hated every path of iniquity.

*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.*