# Daytime Prayer

*Wednesday, December 22, 2066*

Advent, Week 4 — Wednesday

## 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

> **Come, Lord, Do Not Delay**
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> Come, Lord, do not delay;
> your people wait for you;
> illuminate this midday hour
> with all that is your truth.

## PSALMODY

**Psalm 136** *By the Waters of Babylon (Part II)*

> *Ant. Let justice surge like water, and goodness like an unfailing stream.*

If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand be forgotten.
Let my tongue cling to my jaws if I do not remember you,
if I do not set Jerusalem forth as the beginning of my joy.
Remember, O Lord, the sons of Edom, on the day of Jerusalem,
who said: "Tear it down, tear it down, even to its foundation!"
O daughter of Babylon, you are wretched; blessed is he who repays you your payment,
which you have paid to us.
Blessed is he who will hold and dash your little ones against the rock.

*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. Let justice surge like water, and goodness like an unfailing stream.*

**Psalm 137** *I Give Thanks With My Whole Heart*

> *Ant. Let justice surge like water, and goodness like an unfailing stream.*

I will confess to you, O Lord, with my whole heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth.

In the sight of the angels, I will sing to you; I will adore toward your holy temple, and I will confess to your name.

Your mercy and your truth, for you have magnified your holy oracle above all things.

In whatever day I will call upon you, hear me; you will increase virtue in my soul.

Let all the kings of the earth confess to you, O Lord; for they have heard all the words of your mouth.

And let them sing in the ways of the Lord; for the glory of the Lord is great.

For the Lord is exalted, yet he looks toward the humble; and he knows the lofty one from a distance.

If I walk in the midst of tribulation, you will enliven me; and you stretched forth your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand has saved me.

The Lord will repay on my behalf; O Lord, your mercy is forever; do not despise the works of your hands.

*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.*

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## SHORT READING

**ROMANS 15:4**

Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

## RESPONSORY

*V. Come, Lord Jesus, and do not delay.*

*R. Give new courage to your people.*

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

*O God, as John the Baptist made ready the way of the Lord, so prepare us this day to receive him in the poor, the stranger, and the suffering; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## DISMISSAL

Let us praise the Lord.

*And give him thanks.*