Wisdom

Terce (Traditional hour: mid-morning)

Having asked for direction and guidance, we pray now to equip ourselves properly for the journey ahead.

Opening Know the grace of God

and live joyfully this day of salvation.

Prayer God of heaven and earth, your wisdom stretches

around the world, ordering all things for good: Free us from anxiety and understand us like a friend, that we might share the good news of your friendship with all people; through the Word made

flesh, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Praise Come, heavenly comforter

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and spirit of truth,

Blowing everywhere and filling all things.

Treasury of blessings

and giver of life:

Come and abide in us;

cleanse us from every impurity,

and, in your great goodness, save us. 69

Scripture As we work together with Christ, we urge you not

to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!

2 Corinthians 6:1-2

Meditation We can all please God. We must only choose well.

Many go abroad to study, pursuing knowledge far from home, but the kingdom of God is always here and now, wherever you are, within you. Precisely because the kingdom is within, and God is our friend, our salvation only requires that we be willing.

Athanasius of Alexandria 70

In what ways are we willing to accept the wisdom of God's guidance today?

Prayers

Christ in my mind

that I may see what is true;

Christ in my mouth

that I may speak with power;

Christ in my heart

that I may learn to be loved;

Christ in my hands

that I may work with tenderness;

Christ in my soul

that I may know my desire;

Christ in my arms

that I may reach without fear;

Christ in my face

that I may shine with God. 71

Here, the people may add particular intercessions or thanksgivings.

Lord's Prayer

Prayer

Wisdom is brilliant; she never fades. By those who love her, she is easily seen; by those who seek her, she is readily found. She is a breath of God's power, an image of God's goodness, the eternal light and mirror of God's glory. Now let Wisdom do all things, renew all things, and pass into holy souls everywhere to make them friends of God. Amen. ⁷²

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