

LITURGY OF THE HOURS -- BSSF REGION

Select Presider, Song Leader, Antiphonarian and Reader.

*Divide the community into Side One and Side Two, so that
the strophes of the Psalms and Canticles may be alternated.*

The Presider and Antiphonarian set the prayerful, rhythmic pace.

CALL TO PRAYER **(All Stand)**

INVITATORY **(Only begins the first hour of the day.)**

Presider: ☩ Lord, open my lips.
(All make the Sign of the Cross over lips)

Community: ☩ And my mouth will proclaim your praise.

Presider: Recites the Antiphon.

Community: Repeats the Antiphon.

Presider: Prays the strophes of Psalm.

Community: Repeats the Antiphon after each strophe.

*(Refer to the ORDINARY for Invitatory Antiphons during
Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Ascension.)*

(If not the first hour of the day.)

Presider: ☩ God, come to my assistance.

Community: ☩ Lord, make haste to help me.

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

Community: **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

HYMN

Song Leader: Introduces the Hymn.

PSALMODY **(All Sit)**

Antiphonarian: Recites the Antiphon and introduces the Psalm or
Canticle by praying the first line.

Community: Continues praying the Psalm or Canticle,
alternating between Side One and Side Two.

Community: Concludes (unless otherwise indicated) the Psalm
or Canticle by alternating the lines:

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.

Presider: Recites the Psalm-prayer after the Psalm.

Community: Repeats Antiphon after the Psalm-prayer or Canticle.

READING

(Reader Stands)

Reader:

Proclaims the Word of God after introducing it with "A reading from..."

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

RESPONSORY

Reader:

Recites verse one, verse two, and **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.**

Community:

Responds at the line after verse one, verse two, and the Glory to the Father...

GOSPEL CANTICLE

(All Stand)

Antiphonarian:

Recites Antiphon and first line of Canticle.

(All make the Sign of the Cross.)

Community:

Continues praying the Canticle, by alternating strophes between Side One and Side Two.

Community:

Concludes the Gospel Canticle by alternating:
**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.**

Community:

Repeats Antiphon.

INTERCESSIONS

Presider:

Recited the first intercession.

Community:

Responds with the italicized response.

Presider:

Continues with the intercessions.

Community:

Responds at the lines.

Presider:

Invites individual intentions.

Responds to each of these intentions with the italicized response.

(Since the Prayer is of the whole Church and for the whole Church, universal intentions always take precedence.)

OUR FATHER

Presider:

Introduces the Lord's Prayer.

Community:

Continues the Lord's Prayer in unison.

CONCLUSION

Presider:

Prays the Concluding Prayer.

Community:

Amen.

DISMISSAL

(All make the Sign of the Cross.)

✠ May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.