



# Prayer at the Close of the Day - Compline

Advent 2020

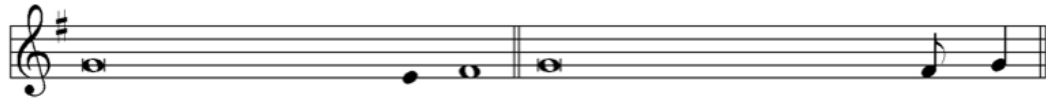
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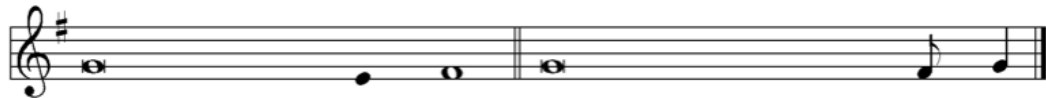
OPENING (Stand, as able.)



The Lord almighty grant us a qui-et night and peace at the last. A - men



It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to your name, O Most High;



to herald your love in the morning, your truth at the close of the day.

## HYMN "All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night"



1 All praise to thee, my God, this night For all the bless-ings of the light.  
2 For - give me, Lord, for thy dear Son, The ill that I this day have done;  
3 Teach me to live, that I may dread The grave as lit - tle as my bed.  
4 Oh, may my soul in thee re - pose, And may sweet sleep mine eye - lids close,



Keep me, oh, keep me, King of kings, Be - neath thine own al - might - y wings.  
That with the world, my - self, and thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.  
Teach me to die, that so I may Rise glo - rious at the awe - some day.  
Sleep that shall me more vig - 'rous make To serve my God when I a - wake!



5. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures here below  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711  
Tune: Thomas Tallis, ca. 1505-1585

TALLIS CANON  
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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (Sit or kneel.)

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection on our thoughts, words, and deeds that are displeasing to God*

I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven,  
and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed  
by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault;  
wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me,  
forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen

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forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen**

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PSALMODY (Sit. The psalm is spoken responsively.)

December 2: Psalm 80:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

<sup>2</sup>**In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,  
stir up your strength and come to help us.**

<sup>3</sup>Restore us, O God of hosts;  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

<sup>4</sup>**O Lord God of hosts,  
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?**

<sup>5</sup>You have fed them with the bread of tears;  
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

<sup>6</sup>**You have made us the derision of our neighbors,  
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

<sup>7</sup>Restore us, O God of hosts;  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

December 9: Psalm 85

<sup>1</sup>You have been gracious to your land, O Lord,  
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

**<sup>2</sup>You have forgiven the iniquity of your people  
and blotted out all their sins.**

<sup>3</sup>You have withdrawn all your fury  
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

**<sup>4</sup>Restore us then, O God our Savior;  
let your anger depart from us.**

<sup>5</sup>Will you be displeased with us forever?  
will you prolong your anger from age to age?

**<sup>6</sup>Will you not give us life again,  
that your people may rejoice in you?**

<sup>7</sup>Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
and grant us your salvation.

**<sup>8</sup>I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,  
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and those who turn their hearts to him.**

<sup>9</sup>Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,  
that his glory may dwell in our land.

**<sup>10</sup>Mercy and truth have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**

<sup>11</sup>Truth shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

**<sup>12</sup>The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.**

<sup>13</sup>Righteousness shall go before him,  
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

December 16: Psalm 126

<sup>1</sup>When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,  
then were we like those who dream.

**<sup>2</sup>Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.**

<sup>3</sup>Then they said among the nations,  
“The Lord has done great things for them.”

**<sup>4</sup>The Lord has done great things for us,  
and we are glad indeed.**

<sup>5</sup>Restore our fortunes, O Lord,  
like the watercourses of the Negev.

**<sup>6</sup>Those who sowed with tears  
will reap with songs of joy.**

<sup>7</sup>Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

December 23: Psalm 89:1-5

<sup>1</sup>Your love, O Lord, forever I will sing;  
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

<sup>2</sup>**For I am persuaded that your love is established forever;  
you have set your faithfulness firmly I in the heavens.**

<sup>3</sup>"I have made a covenant with my chosen one;  
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

<sup>4</sup>**"I will establish your line forever,  
and preserve your throne for all generations."**

<sup>5</sup>The heavens bear witness to your wonders, O Lord,  
and to your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones;

SILENCE FOR PRAYER

BRIEF LESSON

You are in our midst, O Lord,  
and you have named us yours; do not forsake us, O Lord our God. (*Jeremiah 14:0*)

December 2: Jesus says,

"Come to me, all whose work is hard, whose load is heavy,  
and I will give you rest. Bend your necks to my yoke, and learn from me,  
for I am gentle and humble-hearted; and you will find rest.  
For my yoke is good to bear, my load is light." (*Matthew 11:28-30*)

December 9: Jesus says,

"Peace is my parting gift to you, my own peace, such as the world cannot give.  
Set your troubled hearts at rest, and banish your fears." (*John 14:27*)

December 16: St. Paul writes,

"I am convinced that there is nothing in death or life,  
in the realm of spirits or super-human powers,  
in the world as it is or the world as it shall be,  
in the forces of the universe, in heights or depths - nothing in all creation  
that can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." (*Romans 8:38-39*)

December 23: St. Peter writes,

"Humble yourselves under God's mighty hand and he will lift you up in due time.  
Cast all your cares on him, for you are his charge. Be sober, be watchful.  
Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion seeking someone to devour.  
Resist him, firm in your faith." (*1 Peter 5:6-9a*)

RESPONSORY

☐ In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spir - it.

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☐ You have re - deemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

☑ In - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

☐ Glory to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

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PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Remain seated or kneel.)

☐ Hear my prayer, O Lord; ☑ listen to my cry.

☐ Keep me as the apple of your eye; ☑ hide me in the shadow of your wings.

☐ In righteousness I shall see you; ☑ when I awake,  
your presence will give me joy.

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
 thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread;  
 and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
 and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL CANTICLE

□ Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing;  
 that a-wake we may watch with Christ and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

▣ Lord, now you let your ser-vant go in peace; your word has been ful - filled.  
 My own eyes have seen the sal-va - tion which you have prepared  
 in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal you  
 to the na - tions and the glory of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.  
 Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;  
 as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for - ev-er. A - men.  
 Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing;  
 that a-wake we may watch with Christ and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

## BENEDICTION

☐ The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the Son, and

the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us. ☑ A - men

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Serve with joy in Jesus' name.

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