

## OPENING

Almighty God grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.  
Amen.

By day, O God, you grant your steadfast love, and at night  
your song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Holy and gracious God, I confess that I have sinned against  
you this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and  
words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is  
known only to you.

In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and  
restore me, that I may rest in peace.

By the mercy of God we are united with Jesus Christ, in  
whom we are forgiven. We rest now in the peace of Christ  
and rise in the morning to serve.

## PSALMODY

Psalms 130

Out of the depths  
I cry to you, O LORD;  
O LORD, hear my voice!  
Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.  
If you were to keep watch over sins,  
O LORD, who could stand?  
Yet with you is forgiveness,  
in order that you may be feared.  
I wait for you, O LORD; <sup>1</sup> my soul waits;  
in your word is my hope.  
My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch  
for the morning,  
more than those who keep watch for the morning.  
O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is  
steadfast love;

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with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.  
For the LORD shall redeem Israel  
from all their sins.

(OR Psalm 4 OR 33 OR 34 OR 91 OR 134)

*You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.  
Into your hands I commend my spirit.  
Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
Into your hands, I commend my spirit.*

## GOSPEL CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis – the Song of Simeon

O Lord, Now Let Your Servant – ELW #313

Tune: Kurotane

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5bJ-mQXzJmI>

1 O Lord, now let your servant  
depart in heav'nly peace,  
for I have seen the glory  
of your redeeming grace:  
a light to lead the nations  
unto your holy hill,  
the glory of your people,  
your chosen Israel.

2 Then grant that I may follow  
your gleam, O glorious Light,  
till earthly shadows scatter,  
and faith is changed to sight;  
till raptured saints shall gather  
upon that shining shore,  
where Christ, the blessed daystar,  
shall light them evermore.

OR Luke 2:29-32

## Compline

OR

### PRAYERS

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.

Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OR

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, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OR

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work or watch or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, comfort the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.

OR

Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are yours, and to you the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the day, especially for the good we were permitted to give and to receive; the day is now past and we commit it to you. We entrust to you the night; we rest securely, for you are our help, and you neither slumber nor sleep; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### LORD'S PRAYER

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven  
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.**

### BLESSING

Let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Almighty and merciful God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore. Amen.