Order for Compline Epiphany 10 to 14 January 2022

Preparation

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All Amen.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

All who made heaven and earth.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

From the rising of the sun to its setting your glory is proclaimed in all the world

All your glory is proclaimed in all the world

Most merciful God, we confess to you

Most merciful God, we confess to you, before the whole company of heaven and one another, that we have sinned in thought, word and deed and in what we have failed to do.

Forgive us our sins, heal us by your Spirit

and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen.

May Almighty God grant us/you forgiveness of all y/our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

We praise the Splendour of God's name

O worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness! Bow down before him, His glory proclaim; with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name!

All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

The Word of God

We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God.

Monday – Psalm 48.1-4 Great is the Lord a

- Great is the Lord and highly to be praised,
 in the city of our God.
 His holy mountain is fair and lifted high,
- the joy of all the earth.On Mount Zion, the divine dwelling place, •

stands the city of the great king.

4 In her palaces God has shown himself • to be a sure refuge.

Wednesday – Psalm 48.5-8 5 For behold, the kings of the earth assembled ◆

- and swept forward together.They saw, and were dumbfounded;
- dismayed, they fled in terror.Trembling seized them there;they writhed like a woman in labour,

as when the east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.

As we had heard, so have we seen

in the city of the Lord of hosts, the city of our God: God has established her for ever.

Friday – Psalm 146.7b-10

9 We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God,

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- in the midst of your temple.10 As with your name, O God,so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth;
- your right hand is full of justice.

 11 Let Mount Zion rejoice

 and the daughters of Judah be glad,
- because of your judgements, O Lord.Walk about Zion and go round about her;count all her towers; ◆
 - That you may tell those who come after

consider well her bulwarks; pass through her citadels,

that such is our God for ever and ever. •
It is he that shall be our guide for evermore.

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All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Monday - Titus 2:11

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.

Wednesday - 1 Corinthians 2. 9f; The Message Bible

No one has ever seen or heard anything like this — Never so much as imagined anything like it, what God has arranged for those who love him. But you have seen and heard it because God by his Spirit has brought it all out into the open before you.

Friday – John 1:11-12

He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

Reflections on the readings

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

All I commend my spirit.

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Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Keep me as the apple of your eye.

All Hide me under the shadow of your wings.

Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon)

- All Alleluia, Christ the light of the world, alleluia, has manifested his glory. Alleluia, alleluia.
- your word has been fulfilled.

 2 My own eyes have seen the salvation

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: \blacklozenge

A light to reveal you to the nations ◆and the glory of your people Israel. Luke 2.29-32

which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

- All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.
- has manifested his glory. Alleluia, alleluia.

Prayers

Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here. King of Kings and Lord of Lords, making the true light to

Alleluia, Christ the light of the world, alleluia,

shine:lighten out darkness now and evermore
That with our lips and in our lives we may praise you;
for you are our God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Look down, O God, from your heavenly throne,

illuminate the darkness of this night

and from the children of light banish the deeds of darkness.

with your celestial brightness,

through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Be present, O merciful God,

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and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may rest upon your eternal changelessness. through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Believing in the promises of God, let us pray

with confidence as our Saviour has taught us **Our Father in heaven**,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;

All for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety. Abide with us, Lord Jesus,

All for the night is at hand and the day is now past. As the night watch looks for the morning,

All so do we look for you, O Christ.

May the living waters of Christ cleanse us, may the Spirit descend upon us and the blessings of God be with us this night and always.

All Amen.