

## Order for Compline 21 to 25 February 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.**

**All 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.**

*As we turn our minds to Lent season of  
penitence and growth we pray.*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
may the tears you shed in your earthly life  
be balm for all who weep,  
and may the prayers of your pilgrimage  
give strength to all who suffer; for your mercy's sake

**All Amen.**

**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 – Psalm 19.1–6*

*The commandment of the Lord is pure  
and gives light to the eyes.*

### The Word of God

1 The heavens are telling the glory of God ◆  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

2 One day pours out its song to another ◆  
and one night unfolds knowledge to another.

3 They have neither speech nor language ◆  
and their voices are not heard,

4 Yet their sound has gone out into all lands ◆  
and their words to the ends of the world.

5 In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun, ◆  
that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber  
and rejoices as a champion to run his course.

6 It goes forth from the end of the heavens  
and runs to the very end again, ◆  
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

*Wednesday – Psalm 19.7,8*

*The commandment of the Lord is pure  
and gives light to the eyes.*

7 The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; ◆  
the testimony of the Lord is sure  
and gives wisdom to the simple.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart; ◆  
the commandment of the Lord is pure  
and gives light to the eyes.

*Friday – Psalm 19.9–14*

*The commandment of the Lord is pure  
and gives light to the eyes.*

9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; ◆  
the judgements of the Lord are true  
and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, ◆  
sweeter also than honey,  
dripping from the honeycomb.

11 By them also is your servant taught ◆  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

- 12 Who can tell how often they offend ♦  
O cleanse me from my secret faults!
- 13 Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins  
lest they get dominion over me; ♦  
so shall I be undefiled,  
and innocent of great offence.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of  
my heart be acceptable in your sight, ♦  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

**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 – 1 Samuel 3:10*

And Samuel said, 'Speak Lord, for your servant is listening.'

*Wednesday – Isaiah 6: 8*

I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

*Friday – Matthew 4:20*

He saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake — for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.'  
Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

This is the word of the Lord

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

**Reflections on the readings**

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

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For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

**All** **I commend my spirit.**

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

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

Keep me as the apple of your eye.

**All** **Hide me under the shadow of your wings.**

*Gospel Canticle*

**All** **Save us, O Lord, while waking,  
and guard us while sleeping,  
that awake we may watch with Christ  
and asleep may rest in peace.**

1 Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: ♦  
your word has been fulfilled.

2 My own eyes have seen the salvation ♦  
which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

3 A light to reveal you to the nations ♦  
and the glory of your people Israel.

*Luke 2.29-32*

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and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

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and guard us while sleeping,  
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and asleep may rest in peace.**

*Prayers*

**Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here.**

Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme  
over all things,  
now and for ever.

**All** **Amen.**

Look down, O God, from your heavenly throne,  
illuminate the darkness of this night  
with your celestial brightness,  
and from the children of light banish the deeds  
of darkness.

through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**All Amen.**

Be present, O merciful God,  
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.

**All Amen.**

In darkness and in light,  
in trouble and in joy,  
help us, heavenly Father,  
to trust your love, to serve your purpose,  
and to praise your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen...

**All Amen.**

**All 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.**

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.**

Gracious God,  
you have given us many gifts  
grant us also a thankful heart.  
Into your hands we commend ourselves  
this night and all those we love.  
Stay with us, bless us and strengthen us  
and as we take our rest,  
may we be renewed to follow  
in the footsteps of your Son Jesus Christ.

**All Amen.**