

Night Prayer

Compline



Opening



Almighty God 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.**

Night Hymn

Confession & 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

*One or more psalms are sung or said. Each is followed by a time of silence, which may be concluded by a psalm prayer, to which the assembly responds **Amen**.*

Word

A brief scripture reading, followed by silence for reflection and meditation. The silence may conclude with the following responsory:



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



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



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.



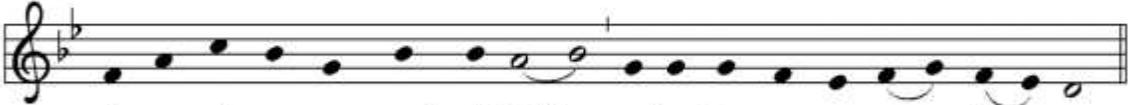
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Gospel Canticle

Leader



Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing;

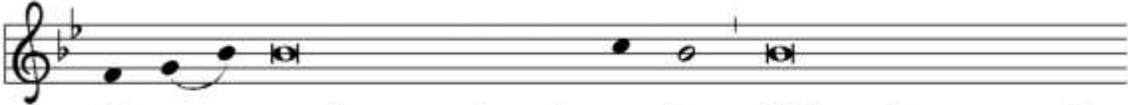


that a-wake we may watch with Christ and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

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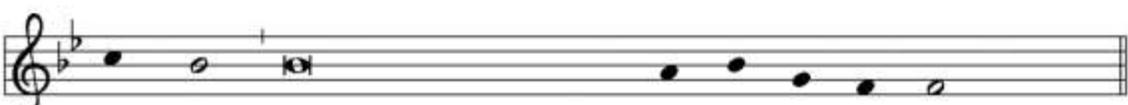
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been ful-filled.



My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have prepared



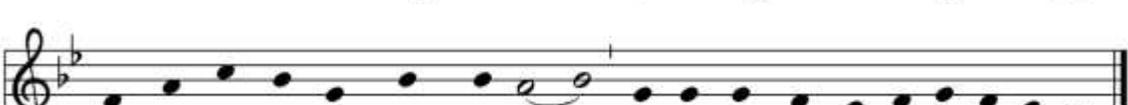
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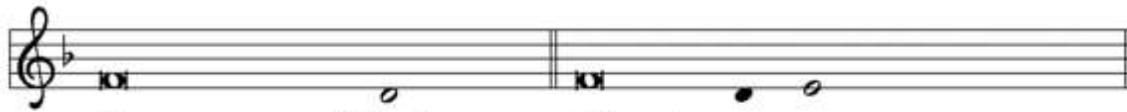


Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing;



that a-wake we may watch with Christ and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

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.

One of the following prayers or other appropriate prayers may be prayed:

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.**

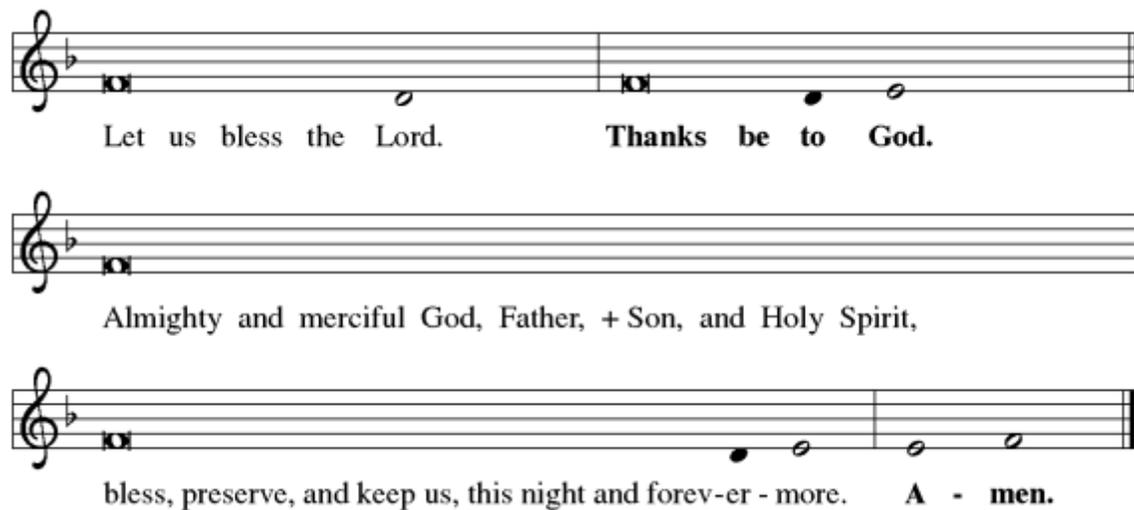
OR

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.**



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name,
 your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.
 Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we
 for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al
 and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r,
 and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-ev-er. A-men.

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 forev-er - more. **A - men.**

The greeting of peace may be shared by all.