Night Prayer An Order for Compline

The God of peace grant us a quiet night and a perfect end. **Amen**. Our help is in the name of the Lord, **the maker of heaven and earth**. The angels of God guard us through the night, **and quiet the powers of darkness**. The Spirit of God be our guide, **to lead us to peace and to glory**. It is but lost labour that we haste to rise up early,

and so late take our rest, and eat the bread of anxiety. For those beloved of God are given gifts even while they sleep.

Dear God, we thank you for all that is good, for our creation and our humanity, for the stewardship you have given us of this planet earth, for the gifts of life and of one another, for your love which is unbounded and eternal.

Merciful God, we have not loved you with our whole heart, nor our neighbours as ourselves. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, forgive what we have been, accept us as we are, and guide what we shall be.

O God of mercy, you forgive our past sin, you strengthen us in your gift of eternal life, you shape us for glory. O God of mercy, we thank you.

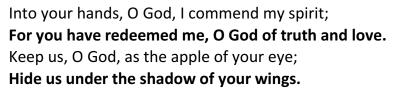
A Night Hymn

<u>The Psalm</u>

Glory ...

as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

Scripture Reading



Preserve us, O God, waking, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

The Song of Simeon (Luke 2.29–32) Glory ...

as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

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Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us

with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Dismissal

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