

DAILY EVENING PRAYER

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
1 CORINTHIANS 15:57

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant says to the People

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept. The Officiant and People say

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

The Priest alone stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.
Amen.

THE INVITATORY

All stand.

Officiant O Lord, open our lips;
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**
Officiant O God, make speed to save us;
People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**
Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
People **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**
Officiant Praise the Lord.
People **The Lord's Name be praised.**

PHOS HILARON
O Gladsome Light

O gladsome light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of Life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Then follows

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 63

- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; my soul is athirst for you.
- 2 My flesh also faints for you, as in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water.
- 3 So would I gaze upon you in your holy place, that I might behold your power and your glory.
- 4 Your loving-kindness is better than life itself and so my lips shall praise you.
- 5 I will bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your name.
- 6 My soul shall be satisfied, as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth shall praise you with joyful lips,
- 7 When I remember you upon my bed and meditate on you in the watches of the night.
- 8 For you have been my helper and under the shadow of your wings will I rejoice.
- 9 My soul clings to you; your right hand shall hold me fast.
- 10 But those who seek my soul to destroy it shall go down to the depths of the earth;
- 11 Let them fall by the edge of the sword and become a portion for jackals.
- 12 But the king shall rejoice in God; all those who swear by him shall be glad, for the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

At the end of the Psalms the Gloria Patri (Glory be...) is sung or said

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

One or more Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from Mark 15:40 – 16:7

There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the

body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where the body was laid. When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.

"The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

MAGNIFICAT

The Song of Mary

**My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;
For he has regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from now on, all generations will call me blessed;
For he that is mighty has magnified me, and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on those who fear him, throughout all generations.
He has shown the strength of his arm; he has scattered the proud in the
imagination of their hearts.
He has brought down the mighty from their thrones, and has exalted the
humble and meek.
He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty
away.
He, remembering his mercy, has helped his servant Israel, as he promised to
our fathers, Abraham and his seed forever.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.** LUKE 1:46-55

NUNC DIMITTIS
The Song of Simeon

Lord, now let your servant depart in peace, according to your word.
For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared before the face
of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of your
people Israel. LUKE 2:29-32

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in
Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose
again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy
Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of
sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Officiant and People

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

In the power of the Holy Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.
That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That there may be peace in your Church and in the whole world,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of

[_____ and] all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

We entreat you, O Lord.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, whose Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of mind and body and called her to be a witness to his resurrection: forgive our sins and heal us by your grace, that we may serve you in the power of his risen life; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR PROTECTION

O God, the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the dead: We thank you for the blessings of the day that is past, and humbly ask for your protection through the coming night. Bring us in safety to the morning hours; through him who died and rose again for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR MISSION

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, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** 2 CORINTHIANS 13:14