

Prayer at the Close of Day (Compline)
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Almighty God grant us a qui - et night and peace at the last.



A - men.



By day, O God, **you grant your stead - fast love,**



and at night your song is with me, **a prayer to the God of my life.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

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.

Psalm 103:13-17



- ¹³As a father has compassion ¹ for his children,
so you have compassion for those who fear ¹ you, O LORD.
- ¹⁴For you know well how ¹ we are formed;
you remember that we ¹ are but dust.
- ¹⁵As for mortals, their days are ¹ like the grass;
they flourish like a flower ¹ of the field;
- ¹⁶when the wind passes over it, ¹ it is gone,
and its place shall know ¹ it no more.
- ¹⁷But your steadfast love, O LORD, is forever with ¹ those who fear you,
and your righteousness is for the ¹ children's children.

Psalm prayer

Compassionate Father, you forgive all our sins and put them far from us. As an eagle to her young, you nourish and renew us with your tender love. Sustain us each day of our mortal life, that we may seek your healing for all who are in need, and bring us at last with saints and angels to bless and praise you forever; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

Peace is my parting gift to you, my own peace, such as the world cannot give. Set your troubled hearts at rest, and banish your fears. (*John 14:27*)

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

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.




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

Still As Dew Falls on the Meadow 107


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1. Still as dew falls on the mead - ow,
 2. Gen - tle as a spring - time show - er,
 3. Qui - et lies the moon - lit pas - ture,
 4. Stand with Jo - seph, ev - er faith - ful,
 5. Songs of an - gels stream through star - light,
 6. Kneel with shep - herds by the man - ger



Soft - ly as the seed in sod, Si - lent as a
 Giv - ing as the fruit - ful earth, Grace - ful as a
 Calm the watch - ing stars a - bove. God draws near in
 While his qui - et watch he keeps. Pon - der, as you
 Spill up - on the si - lent earth. Star - tled shep - herds
 Near the sleep - ing child so poor. Know that none can



pass - ing shad - ow, Comes the mys - ter - y of God.
 sum - mer flow - er, Mar - y waits the ho - ly birth.
 hu - man ves - ture, Touch - es earth with heav - en's love.
 keep your vig - il: God in flesh a - mong us sleeps!
 bathed in fire - light Hear ce - les - tial sounds of mirth.
 be a stran - ger Where such love un - bars the door.


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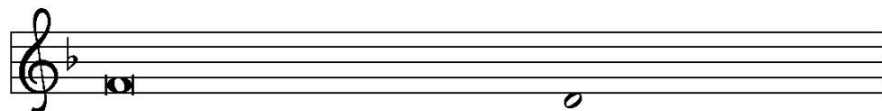
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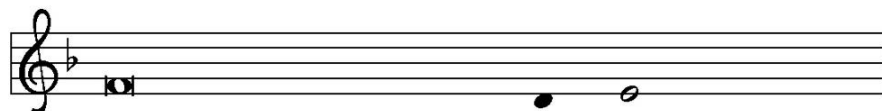
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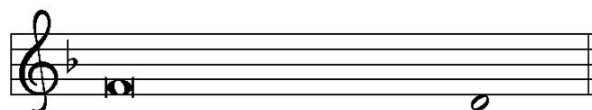
Hear my prayer, O Lord; **listen to my cry.**



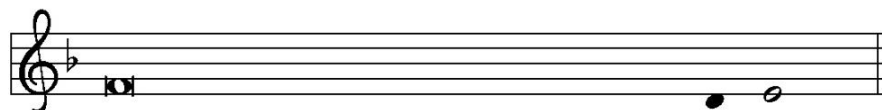
Keep me as the apple of your eye;



hide me in the shadow of your wings.



In righteousness I shall see you;



when I awake, your presence will give me joy.

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shades lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.


Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:



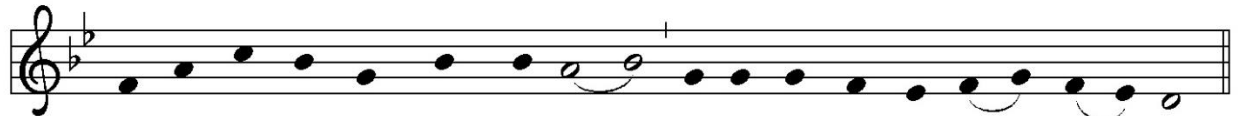
Our Fa-ther, who art in heav- en, hal- low- ed be
thy name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heav- en. Give us this day our
dai- ly bread; and for- give us our tres- pass- es,
as we for- give those who tres- pass a- gainst us; and lead us
not in- to temp- ta- tion, but de- liv- er us from e- vil.
For thine is the king- dom, and the pow- er, and the
glo- ry, for- ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

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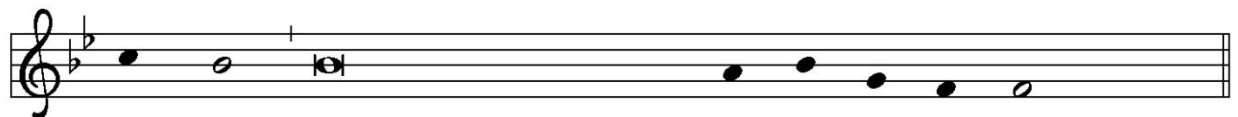
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been ful-filled.




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




in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal you to the



na - tions and the glory of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



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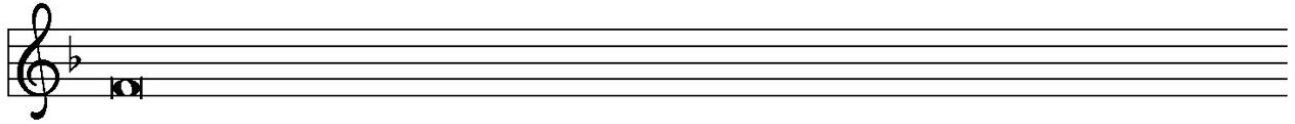


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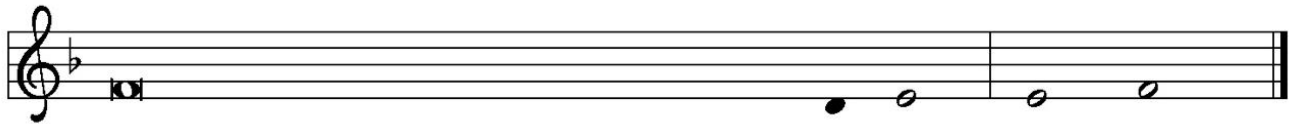


Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Almighty and merciful God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,



bles, preserve, and keep us, this night and forev-er - more. **A - men.**

May the peace of Christ be with you always.