

Evening Prayer in Ordinary Time



O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us
to cleanse our hearts
and set us free to sing your praise
now and for ever.

Amen

The Word of God

Psalmody

Each psalm or group of psalms ends with

**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.

Canticle

The glorious grace of God is freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

Blessed are you, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, •
for you have blest us in Christ Jesus with every spiritual blessing
in the heavenly places.

You chose us to be yours in Christ
before the foundation of the world, •
that we should be holy and blameless before you.

In love you destined us
for adoption as your children, through Jesus Christ, •
according to the purpose of your will,

To the praise of your glorious grace, •
which you freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

In you, we have redemption through the blood of Christ, •
the forgiveness of our sins,

According to the riches of your grace, •
which you have lavished upon us.

You have made known to us, in all wisdom and insight, •
the mystery of your will,

According to your purpose which you set forth in Christ, •
as a plan for the fullness of time,

To unite all things in Christ, •
things in heaven and things on earth.

**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.**

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is freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.**

Scripture Reading

NT Reading

The reading may be followed by silence and a reflection.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.**

In all your ways acknowledge him
and he will make straight your paths.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart.

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

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.**

from Proverbs 3

Gospel Canticle

The Magnificat

**My spirit rejoices in you, O God,
my soul proclaims your greatness.**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; •
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed; •
the Almighty has done great things for me
and holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him, •
from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm •
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,

Casting down the mighty from their thrones •
and lifting up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things •
and sent the rich away empty.

He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, •
to remember his promise of mercy,

The promise made to our ancestors, •
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Luke 1.46-55

**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.**

**My spirit rejoices in you, O God,
my soul proclaims your greatness.**

Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Silence may be kept.

The Collect of the day or the following is said:

Kindle in our hearts, O God,
the flame of love which never ceases,
that it may burn in us, giving light to others.
May we shine for ever in your temple,
set on fire with your eternal light,
even your Son Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and our Redeemer.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said:

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

**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.**

The Conclusion

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



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