St. James Episcopal Church Midvale, UT An Order for Compline

Wednesday 8:00pm

Compline is a simple office including a confession of sins, one or more psalms, a short reading from scripture, versicles and responses, the Lord's Prayer, collects which ask for God's protection during the night to come, and the canticle Nunc dimittis. It is descended from the night prayers said before bed at the end of the monastic round of daily prayer.



An Order for Compline

The Officiant begins

The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. Amen.

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People The maker of heaven and earth.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

The Officiant and the People then say together the following Psalm.

Psalm 134 Ecce nunc

- 1 Behold now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, *
 you that stand by night in the house of the LORD.
- 2 Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD; *
 the LORD who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

At the end of the Psalms is sung or said

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

One of the following or a suitable passage of Scripture, is read

Be sober, be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith. *I Peter 5:8-9a*

People Thanks be to God.

Then follows

V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;

R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Officiant Lord, hear our prayer;

People And let our cry come to you.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Officiant then says this Collect

Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illumine this night with your celestial brightness; that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

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*.

Silence may be kept, and free intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered.

Officiant - You may add your intercessions and thanksgivings in the comments if you wish. A period of silence may be kept while attendees do so.

Officiant and People

Speak peace to the sick and sorrowful, Lord Christ. When we call upon you, you hear us. You do wonders for the faithful. In your name we pray that our loved ones would have their health restored. We pray for the families and loved ones of Marsha B., David S., Mary Ann W., Nita W., Ann C., and Everett P. We pray for Carolyn C., Reja H., Jim D., Zachary B., Nancy & Jonathan B., Shannon & Katie T., Don & Sandy S., Jan H., Charlene H., Kristine ., Alison S., Postulant Saba K., Rosemary K., David T., Franki S., Paul R., Cliff B., Jessi Z., Oden S., Jenkyn P., Marsha F., Nuha H., Sienna D., Barbara F., Charlotte H., Don D., Russ & Judy L., Kay D., Peggy W., Jeff F., Mary M., Richard B., Dave W., Nancy F., William S., Craig G., Joan, Barry W., Melanie B., Kelly H., Bob R., Andrea Marie T., Jeff L., Tom B., and Britney T.

The service concludes with the Song of Simeon with this Antiphon, which is said by all

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Lord, you now have set your servant free * to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, * whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

A Light to enlighten the nations, * and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

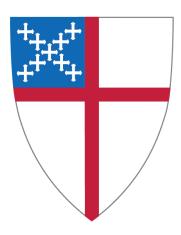
Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Officiant The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

People Amen.

Thank you to Worship Leader, Laura Orcutt, for leading this evening's Compline Service.



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