

Common Worship: Evening Prayer for Sunday

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

A prayer of thanksgiving

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of day and night:

to you be praise and glory for ever.

As darkness falls you renew your promise

to reveal among us the light of your presence.

By the light of Christ, your living Word,

dispel the darkness of our hearts

that we may walk as children of light

and sing your praise throughout the world.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessed be God for ever.

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

Psalm

Old Testament Reading

Canticle: A Song of the Lamb

Refrain: Let us rejoice and exult and give glory and homage to our God.

¹Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, ♦ whose judgements are true and just.

²Praise our God, all you his servants, ♦ all who fear him, both small and great.

³The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns: ♦ let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

⁴For the marriage of the Lamb has come ♦ and his bride has made herself ready.

⁵Blessed are those who are invited ♦ to the wedding banquet of the Lamb.

Revelation 19.1b, 2a, 5b, 6b, 7, 9b

To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb ♦

be blessing and honour and glory and might, for ever and ever. Amen.

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New Testament Reading

Responsory

The Lord is my light and my salvation; the Lord is the strength of my life.

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The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.

The Lord is the strength of my life.

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

The Lord is my light and my salvation; the Lord is the strength of my life.

from Psalm 27 and John 1

Gospel Cantic: The Magnificat (The Song of Mary)

Refrain: You have done great things, O God, and holy is your name.

¹My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; ♦
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

²From this day all generations will call me blessed; ♦
the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name.

³He has mercy on those who fear him, ♦ from generation to generation.

⁴He has shown strength with his arm ♦ and has scattered the proud in their conceit,

⁵Casting down the mighty from their thrones ♦ and lifting up the lowly.

⁶He has filled the hungry with good things ♦ and sent the rich away empty.

⁷He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, ♦ to remember his promise of mercy,

⁸The 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.

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Prayers

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer**

The Collect

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

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, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Conclusion

**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.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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