

Night Prayer.

Powerful God, you reign resplendent upon the throne of heaven. Send stillness swiftly down to the dusk filled earth. As the last light lingers and night time's fingers unfurl a pin-pricked curtain full of stars, we pray that we might feast upon the stillness of your peace, both this night and for eternal years.

Amen.

Our hope, our help, our need filled selves find comfort, rest and mercy in our God. The hallowed, precious name, the King, the Lord who saves.

Who sent the Word to form the land and sky.

Confession

Think on the day that has passed.

We confess our sins together.

Mercy, mercy, mercy!

We cry

Mercy, mercy, mercy!

From deep inside, where we might hide
Our sins from Love's bright and searching light.
Before our peers in heaven and here
We recognise our sin-filled plight.

Mercy, mercy, mercy!

We cry

Mercy, mercy, mercy!

For deeds we've done, for gains ill won,
For thinking we are great, for thinking we are nought.
For trivial thought, for negative for proud thought
For chances to do good which slipped away.

Mercy, mercy, mercy!

We cry

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Forgive and heal, and by grace seal,
Our futures by the side of Christ our Lord.
That in Love's true light we may cast our sight
On the brightness and the beauty of the new Earth.

Amen.

Faithful God, find us now!

Sovereign Saviour, save us now!

Proclaim the praise due to the Father!

Shout to the Son for the wonders He's done!

Sing of the Spirit throughout all the earth!

As it was, as it is, as it will become.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

As it will become!

Psalm 104

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul. ◆

O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!

21 You appointed the moon to mark the seasons, ◆
and the sun knows the time for its setting.

22 You make darkness that it may be night, ◆
in which all the beasts of the forest creep forth.

23 The lions roar for their prey ◆
and seek their food from God.

24 The sun rises and they are gone ◆
to lay themselves down in their dens.

25 People go forth to their work ◆
and to their labour until the evening. **R**

26 O Lord, how manifold are your works! ◆
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

27 There is the sea, spread far and wide, ◆
and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great.

28 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan ◆
which you have made to play in the deep.

29 All of these look to you ◆
to give them their food in due season.

30 When you give it them, they gather it; ◆
you open your hand and they are filled with good.

31 When you hide your face they are troubled; ◆
when you take away their breath,
they die and return again to the dust.

32 When you send forth your spirit, they are created, ◆
and you renew the face of the earth.

33 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; ◆
may the Lord rejoice in his works; **R**

Refrain: *I will sing to the Lord as long as I live.*

**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.**

Scripture Passage

The servants of the Lamb shall see the face of God, whose name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night: they will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Revelation 22.4,5

Responsory

Into your hands I place myself. I beg you, bear my soul
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You pulled me from the pit, my God,
Raised me up O Lord of truth!

Into your hands, I place myself.


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Shout to the Son for the wonders He's done!
Sing of the Spirit throughout all the earth!


Into your hands I place myself. I beg you, bear my soul


Hold me tight, near and dear, the pride of all you hold
Sheltered, safe and secret in the shadow of your wings

The Nunc Dimittis

**Alleluia. The Lord is risen, alleluia,
as he promised to you. Alleluia, alleluia.**

1 Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: 
your word has been fulfilled.

2 My own eyes have seen the salvation 
which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

3 A light to reveal you to the nations 
and the glory of your people Israel.

Luke 2.29-32

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Prayers

The Collect

Visit this place, O Lord, we pray,
and drive far from it the snares of the enemy;
may your holy angels dwell with us and guard us in peace,
and may your blessing be always upon us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

May our Holy God pour bounteous blessings down on each one of us.
May our Loving God hold us in divine hands, safe and secure in the sanctuary.
May the light of God's love illuminate our lives and the magnitude of God's mercy repair and heal our hurts.
May God's favour fall upon the children whom God calls
May the presence of God's Spirit bring God's perfect preserving peace.
Amen.