

Shared Ministry in Exning and North Newmarket

An Order for Night Prayer (Compline)



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Greeting & Welcome

Preparation

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All **Amen.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord

All **who made heaven and earth.**

*A short period of silence for reflection on the past day
followed by a short reflection*

All **Most merciful God,
we confess to you,
before the whole company of heaven and
one another,
that we have sinned in thought, word and
deed
and in what we have failed to do.
Forgive us our sins,
heal us by your Spirit
and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen.**

O God, make speed to save us.

All **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

All **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.
Alleluia.**

Hymn, Read or Sung.

Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That you, with steadfast love, would keep
Your watch around us while we sleep.
From evil dreams defend our sight,
From fears and terrors of the night;
Tread underfoot our deadly foe
That we no sinful thought may know.
O Father, that we ask be done
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son;
And Holy Spirit, by whose breath
Our souls are raised to life from death.

The Word of God

Psalmody.

Psalm 111

- .¹ Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.
² Happy are those who keep his decrees,
who seek him with their whole heart,
³ who also do no wrong,
but walk in his ways.
⁴ You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.
⁵ O that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!
⁶ Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your
commandments.
⁷ I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your righteous ordinances.

⁸ I will observe your statutes;
do not utterly forsake me.

⁹ How can young people keep their way pure?
By guarding it according to your word.

¹⁰ With my whole heart I seek you;
do not let me stray from your commandments.

¹¹ I treasure your word in my heart,
so that I may not sin against you.

¹² Blessed are you, O Lord;
teach me your statutes.

¹³ With my lips I declare
all the ordinances of your mouth.

¹⁴ I delight in the way of your decrees
as much as in all riches.

¹⁵ I will meditate on your precepts,
and fix my eyes on your ways.

¹⁶ I will delight in your statutes;
I will not forget your word.

¹⁷ Deal bountifully with your servant,
so that I may live and observe your word.

¹⁸ Open my eyes, so that I may behold
wondrous things out of your law.

¹⁹ I live as an alien in the land;
do not hide your commandments from me.

²⁰ My soul is consumed with longing
for your ordinances at all times.

²¹ You rebuke the insolent, accursed ones,
who wander from your commandments;

²² take away from me their scorn and contempt,
for I have kept your decrees.

²³ Even though princes sit plotting against me,
your servant will meditate on your statutes.

²⁴ Your decrees are my delight,
they are my counsellors.

²⁵ My soul clings to the dust;
revive me according to your word.

²⁶ When I told of my ways, you answered me;
teach me your statutes.

- 27 Make me understand the way of your precepts,
and I will meditate on your wondrous works.
- 28 My soul melts away for sorrow;
strengthen me according to your word.
- 29 Put false ways far from me;
and graciously teach me your law.
- 30 I have chosen the way of faithfulness;
I set your ordinances before me.
- 31 I cling to your decrees, O Lord;
let me not be put to shame.
- 32 I run the way of your commandments,
for you enlarge my understanding

***All* 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 Reading

- 2 In days to come
the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the
mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.
- 3 Many peoples shall come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
- 4 He shall judge between the nations,

and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵ O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

⁶ For you have forsaken the ways of^[a] your
people,
O house of Jacob.

Indeed they are full of diviners^[b] from the east
and of soothsayers like the Philistines,
and they clasp hands with foreigners.

⁷ Their land is filled with silver and gold,
and there is no end to their treasures;
their land is filled with horses,
and there is no end to their chariots.

⁸ Their land is filled with idols;
they bow down to the work of their hands,
to what their own fingers have made.

⁹ And so people are humbled,
and everyone is brought low—
do not forgive them!

¹⁰ Enter into the rock,
and hide in the dust
from the terror of the Lord,
and from the glory of his majesty.

¹¹ The haughty eyes of people shall be brought
low,

and the pride of everyone shall be humbled;
and the Lord alone will be exalted on that day.

Isaiah 2 :1-11

The following responsorial is said

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

**All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my
spirit.**

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

All I commend my spirit.

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

**All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my
spirit.**

Gospel Canticle

*The Nunc dimittis (The Song of Simeon) is said or
sung*

**All Save us, O Lord, while waking,
and guard us while sleeping,
that awake we may watch with Christ
and asleep may rest in peace.**

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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and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

***All* Save us, O Lord, while waking,
and guard us while sleeping,
that awake we may watch with Christ
and asleep may rest in peace.**

Prayers

Intercessions and thanksgivings.

The Prayers end with

....Merciful Father accept these prayers

The Collect

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
bring us to the dwelling which your Son is
preparing
for all who love you;
give us the will each day to live in life eternal;
let our citizenship be in heaven with the blessed,
with the whole company of the redeemed
and with countless angels,
praising, worshipping and adoring your Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ,
who sits upon the throne for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer .

Our Father who art in Heaven.....

The Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;

**All for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in
safety.**

Abide with us, Lord Jesus,

**All for the night is at hand and the day is now
past.**

As the night watch looks for the morning,

All so do we look for you, O Christ.

[Come with the dawning of the day

**All and make yourself known in the breaking
of the bread.]**

The Lord bless us and watch over us;

the Lord make his face shine upon us and be
gracious to us;

the Lord look kindly on us and give us peace.

All Amen.