

*Evening Prayer for use on Thursdays during ordinary time
the Monday after Pentecost until the day before All Saints Sunday
and from the 3rd. February until shrove Tuesday.*

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

A Song of God's Chosen One

1 There shall come forth a shoot from the stock of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

2 And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

3 The spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

4 He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear,

5 But with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth.

6 The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
and the leopard shall lie down with the kid.

7 The calf, the lion and the fatling together,
with a little child to lead them.

8 They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,
for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 11.1,2,3b-4a,6,9

**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.**

Opening Prayer

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

*The appointed psalms are said,
and each psalm or group of psalms may end 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: Great and Wonderful

**Refrain: All nations shall come and worship you, O Christ,
and share in the feast of your kingdom.**

1 Great and wonderful are your deeds,
Lord God the Almighty.

2 Just and true are your ways,
O ruler of the nations.

3 Who shall not revere and praise your name, O Lord?
for you alone are holy.

4 All nations shall come and worship in your presence:
for your just dealings have been revealed. *Revelation 15.3, 4*

**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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and share in the feast of your kingdom.**

Scripture Reading

A responsory,

Fear not, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name; you are mine.

**Fear not, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name; you are mine.**

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.
When you walk through fire, you shall not be burned.

I have called you by name; you are mine.

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

**Fear not, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name; you are mine.**

from Isaiah 43

Gospel Canticle: The Magnificat (The Song of Mary)

**Refrain: You have filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.**

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.**

**Refrain: You have filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.**

Prayers

Thanksgiving may be made for the day.

Intercessions are offered

¶ *for peace*

¶ *for individuals and their needs*

¶ *The media and the arts*

¶ *Farming and fishing*

¶ *Commerce and industry*

¶ *Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger*

¶ *All who are unemployed*

This response may be used,

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer

The Collect of the day is said

or

O God, the source of all good desires,
all right judgements, and all just works:
give to your servants that peace
which the world cannot give;
that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments,
and that, freed from the fear of our enemies,
we may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer is said

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.