

Lent, Wednesday, April 1, 2020

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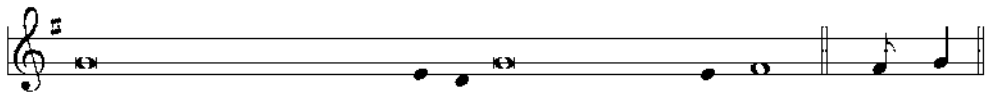
PRAYER AT THE CLOSE OF DAY

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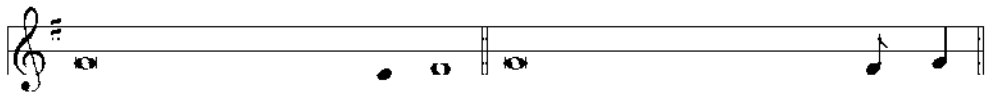
PRELUDE

Stand

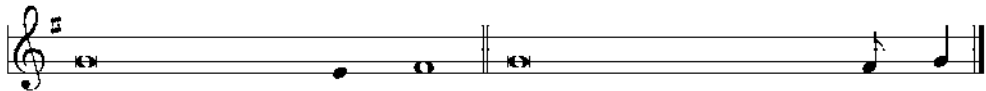
GATHERING



L The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last. **A - men**



L It is good to give thanks to the Lord, **to sing praise to your name, O Most High;**



L to herald your love in the morning, **your truth at the close of the day.**

NIGHT HYMN

Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow (LBW 282 or see back pages)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

Holy and gracious God,

I confess that I have sinned against you this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to you. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me, that I may rest in peace.

By the mercy of God we are united with Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. We rest now in his peace and rise in the morning to serve him.

Sit

PSALMODY

Psalm 130

Spoken Responsively

¹Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, | hear my voice;*
let your ears consider well the voice of my | supplication.

²**If you, LORD, were to note what is | done amiss,***

O Lord, | who could stand?

³For there is forgive- | ness with you;*
therefore you | shall be feared.

⁴**I wait for the LORD; my soul | waits for him;*
in his word | is my hope.**

⁵My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen | for the morning,*
more than watchmen | for the morning.

⁶**O Israel, wait | for the LORD,*
for with the LORD | there is mercy;**

⁷with him there is plen- | teous redemption,*
and he shall redeem Israel from | all their sins.

READING

Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

⁷So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

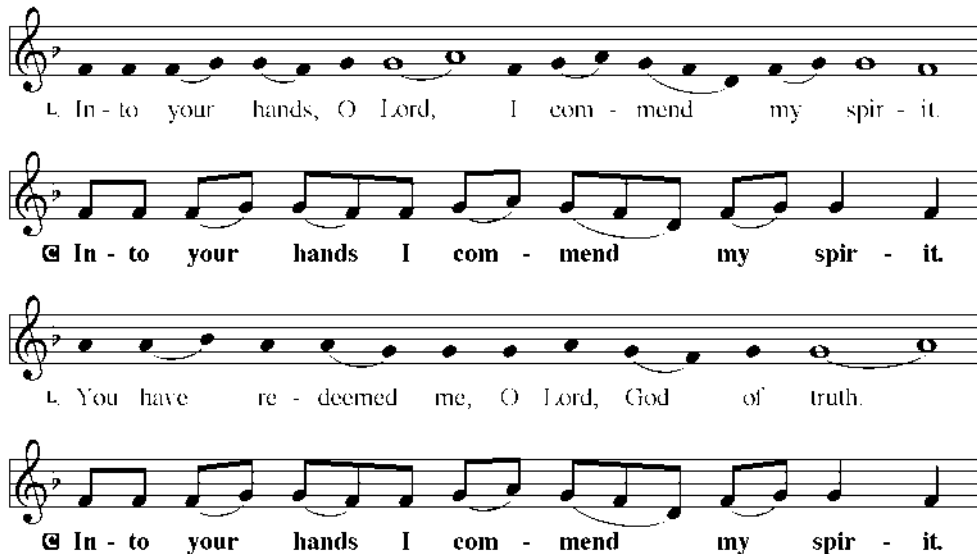
¹¹Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

RESPONSE

Pastor Reep

Stand

RESPONSORY



1. In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spir - it.

2. In - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

1. You have re - deemed me, O Lord, God of truth.

2. In - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

HYMN

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (LBW 488 or see back pages)

PRAYERS

Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen

Visit our dwellings, O Lord, and drive from them all the snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessing be upon us always, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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Gracious Lord, we give you thanks for the day, especially for the good we were permitted to give and to receive; the day is now past and we commit it to you. We entrust to you the night; we rest in surety, for you are our help, and you neither slumber nor sleep.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER


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

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Leader



Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing;

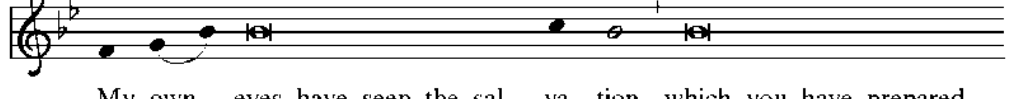


that a-wake we may watch with Christ and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

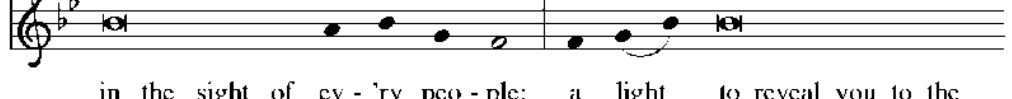
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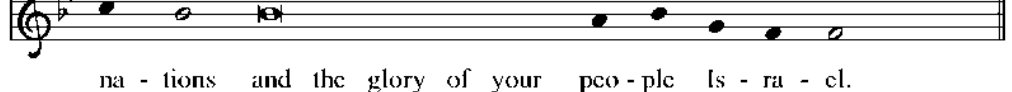
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been ful-filled.



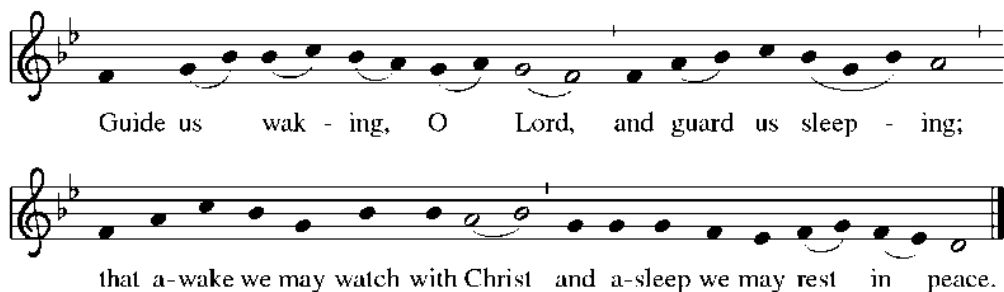
My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have prepared



in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to reveal you to the

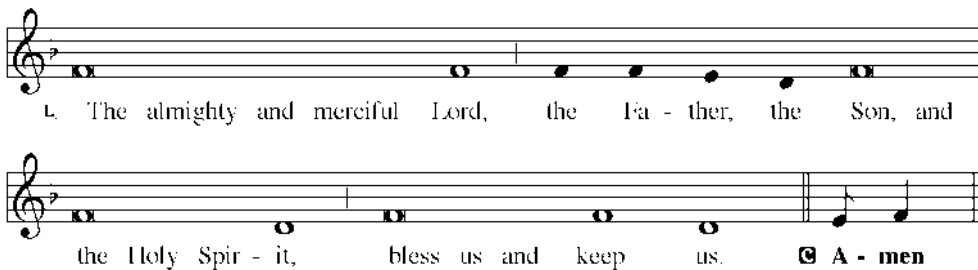


na - tions and the glory of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing;
that a-wake we may watch with Christ and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

BENEDICTION



L. The almighty and merciful Lord, the Fa - ther, the Son, and
the Holy Spir - it, bless us and keep us. **A - men**

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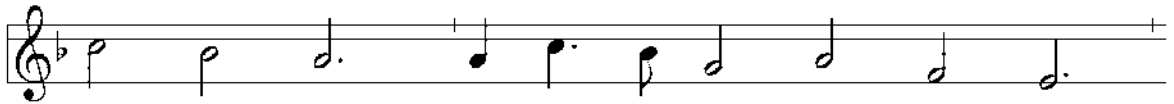
Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow



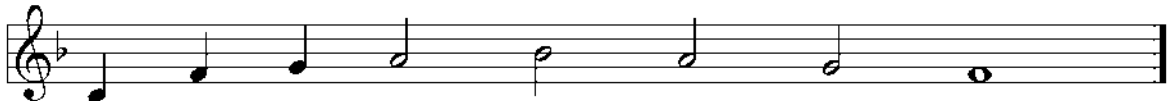
1 Now rest be - neath night's shad - ow the wood - land, field,
2 Lord Je - sus, since you love me, now spread your wings
3 My loved ones, rest se - cure - ly, for God this night



and mead - ow— the world in slum - ber lies. But you, my heart,
a - bove me and shield me from a - harm. Though e - vil would
will sure - ly from per - il guard your heads. Sweet slum - bers may



a - wak - ing and prayer and mu - sic mak - ing:
as - sail me, your mer - cy will not fail me;
he send you and bid his hosts at - tend you



let praise to your cre - a - tor rise.
I rest in your pro - tect - ing arm.
and through the night watch o'er your beds.

Breathe on Me, Breath of God



1 Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life a - new,
2 Breathe on me, breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, breath of God; so shall I nev - er die.



that I may love all that you love and do what you would do,
un - til with you I will one will to do and to en - dure,
but live with you the per - fect life of your e - ter - ni - ty.

