

Advent Compline

Sunday, December 6, 2020 at 8:00 PM



Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

9100 Colesville Road

Silver Spring, MD 20910

Welcome

Sung by the choir.

Introit

Savior of the nations, come,
virgin's Son, make here thy home!
Marvel now, O heaven and earth,
that the Lord chose such a birth.

Savior of the Nations, Come
Text: Saint Ambrose, trans. William Reynolds
Music: Balthasar Resinarius (c. 1486-1544)

Officiant

Night Hymn

1 God, who made the earth and heav-en, dark-ness and light:
 2 And when morn a-gain shall call us to run life's way,
 3 Guard us wak-ing, guard us sleep-ing, and, when we die,
 4 Ho-ly Fa-ther, throned in heav-en, all-ho-ly Son,

you the day for work have giv-en, for rest the night.
 may we still, what-e'er be-fall us, your will o-bey.
 may we in your might-y keep-ing all peace-ful lie.
 Ho-ly Spir-it, free-ly giv-en, blest Three in One:

May your an-gel guards de-fend us, slum-ber sweet your mer-cy send us,
 From the pow'r of e-vil hide us, in the nar-row path-way guide us,
 When the last dread call shall wake us, then, O Lord, do not for-sake us,
 grant us grace, we now im-plore you, till we lay our crowns be-fore you

ho-ly dreams and hopes at-tend us all through the night.
 nev-er be your smile de-nied us all through the day.
 but to reign in glo-ry take us with you on high.
 and in wor-thier strains a-dore you while a-ges run.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, st. 1, alt.; William Mercer, 1811–1873, sts. 2, 4, alt.; Richard Whately, 1787–1863, st. 3, alt.
 Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
 Outside USA: Arr. from *The English Hymnal*, © Oxford University Press 1906.

Confession and Forgiveness

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

Silence may be kept 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, in whom we are forgiven. We rest now in the peace of Christ and rise in the morning to serve.

Psalmody

Psalm 4

The choir sings the Antiphon first, please sing the Antiphon the second time. The Antiphon will be sung after the Psalm. The verses are sung by the choir.



Have mer · cy on me, O LORD, and hear my prayer.

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 “You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?”
- 3 Know that the Lord does wonders of for the faithful;
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices
and put your trust in the Lord.
- 6 Many are saying,
“O, that we might see better times!”
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. [*Antiphon*]

Hymn



1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, your peo - ple's ev - er -
2 When this old world drew on toward night, you came; but not in
3 At your great name, O Je - sus, now all knees must bend, all
4 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray, re - deem us for e -
5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spir - it,

last - ing light, O Christ, re - deem - er of us all,
splen - dor bright, not as a mon - arch, but the child
hearts must bow: all things on earth with one ac - cord,
ter - nal day; de - fend us while we dwell be - low
Three in One, praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be

we pray you hear us when we call.
of Mar - y, bless - ed moth - er mild.
like those in heav'n, shall call you Lord.
from all as - saults of our dread foe.
from age to age e - ter - nal - ly. A - men.

Text: Latin hymn, 9th cent.; tr. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.
Music: CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM, plainsong mode IV
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Reading

Mark 13:35, 36

Therefore, keep awake — for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sung by the choir.

Anthem

Let me love you, O Christ, in your first coming,
when you were made man for love of humanity,
and for love of me.

Let me love you, O Christ, in your second coming,
when with an inconceivable love,
you stand and knock at the door,
and would enter into the souls of humanity,
and into mine.

Plant in my soul, O Christ, your likeness of love;
that when by death you call, it may be ready
and burning to come unto you.

Let Me Love You, O Christ
Text: Eric Milner-White (1884-1963)
Music: Ronald Turner

The musical score is written for two parts: Officiant and People. It is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

Officiant
In - to your hands, O Lord, I com-mend my spi - rit.

People
In - to your hands, O Lord, I com-mend my spi - rit.

Officiant
For you have re-deemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

People
In - to your hands, O Lord, I com-mend my spi - rit.

Officiant
Keep us, O Lord, as the ap - ple of your eye;

People
Hide us un - der the shad - ow of your wings.

The following Kyrie is chanted.

Lord, have mercy.

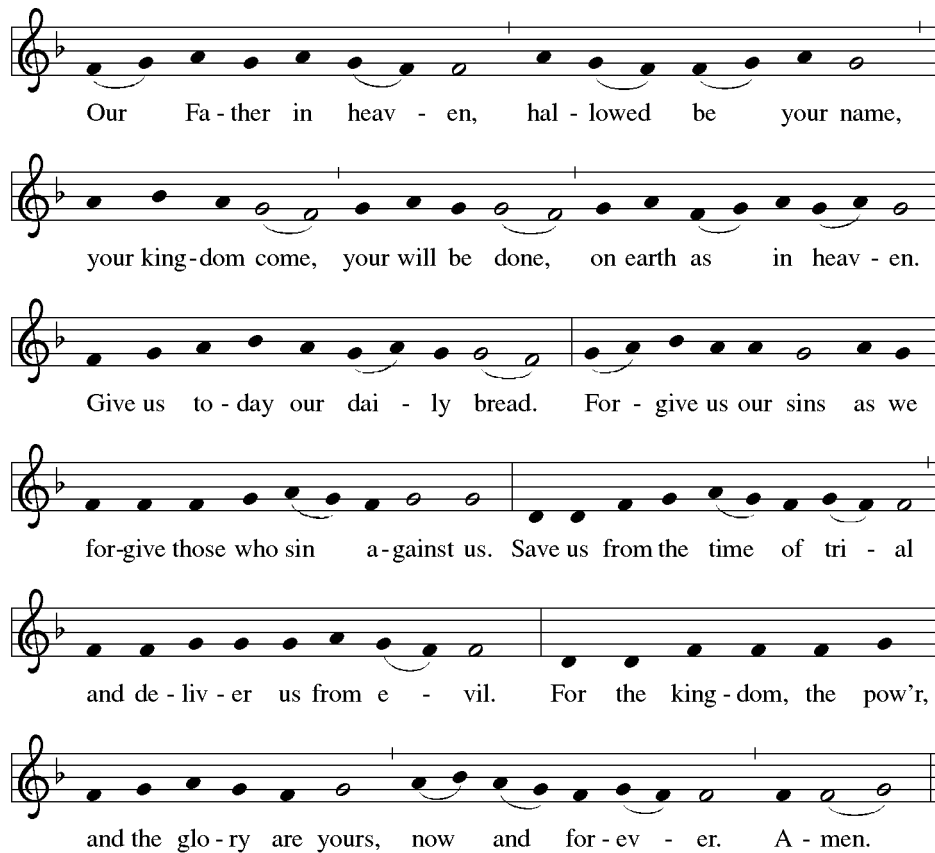
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Officiant



People



Officiant

Lord, ——— hear — our — prayer;

People

And let our cry — come — to you.

Officiant

Let us pray.

The Officiant then chants this Collect

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.

Sung by the choir.

Song of Simeon

Officiant

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

People

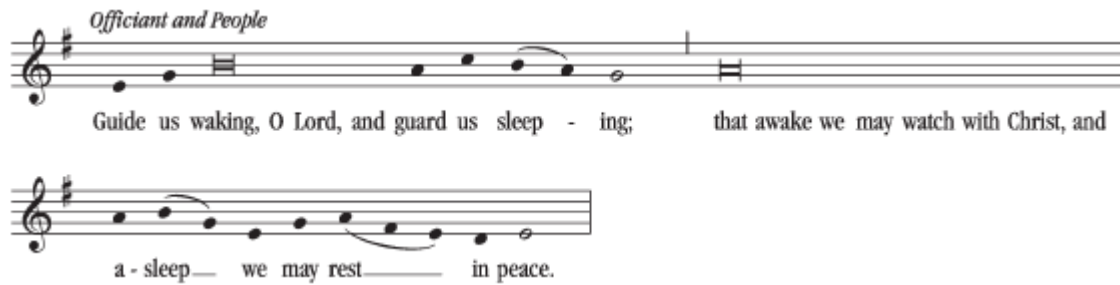
that awake we may watch with Christ, and

a - sleep — we may rest — in peace.

Lord, let thy servant now depart,
In peace and joy and meet oblation;
Thy word is hidden in my heart,
Mine eyes have seen thy salvation.
To be a light to nations shining,
And to thy people Israel,
Glory, honor, praise combining,
"God with us," Emmanuel.

Glory to the Father and the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost sing praises,
While timeless ages ever run,
World without end, Amen.

Text: Luke 2: 29-32
Music: Orlando Lassus (1532-1594), arr. Mark Schweizer



Then the following Sentences are chanted.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

Amen.

Choral Conclusion

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum;
 benedicta tu in mulieribus,
 et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus.
 Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,
 ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
 nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
 blessed art thou among women,
 and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
 Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 pray for us sinners,
 now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Ave Maria
 Text: traditional
 Music: Arlen Clarke

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