



# The Office of Compline for Advent

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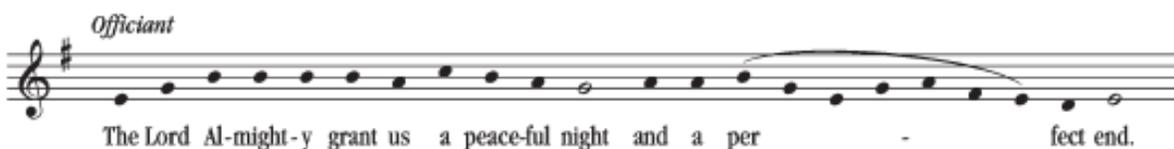
## Welcome

*Sung by the choir.*

## Introit

Arise, the kingdom is at hand,  
The King is drawing nigh;  
O come with joy, thou faithful band,  
to meet the Lord most high!  
Look up, ye souls weighed down with care,  
The Sovereign is not far;  
Look up, faint hearts, from your despair,  
Behold the Morning Star!

Arise, the Kingdom is at Hand  
Text: Johann von Rist (1651), Tr. Catherine Winkworth (1863), alt.  
Music: Christopher Tye (1505-1572)



## Night Hymn



- 1 Christ, might - y Sav - ior, Light of all cre - a - tion, you make the day - time
- 2 Now comes the day's end as the sun is set - ting, mir - ror of day - break,
- 3 There - fore we come now eve - ning rites to of - fer, joy - ful - ly chant - ing
- 4 Give heed, we pray you, to our sup - pli - ca - tion, that you may grant us
- 5 Through bod - ies slum - ber, hearts shall keep their vig - il, for - ev - er rest - ing



ra - dant with the sun - light and to the night\_ give  
pledge of res - ur - rect - tion; while in the heav - ens  
ho - ly hymns to praise you, with all crea - a - tion  
par - don for of - fens - es, strength for our weak\_ hearts,  
in the peace of Je - sus, in light or dark - ness



glit - ter - ing a - dorn - ment, stars in the heav - ens.  
choirs of stars ap - pear - ing hal - low the night - fall.  
join - ing hearts and voic - es, sing - ing your glo - ry.  
rest for ach - ing bod - ies, sooth - ing the wear - ry.  
wor - ship - ing our Sav - ior now and for - ev - er.

## 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 know 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.

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.

“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;  
how long will you worship dumb idols  
and run after false gods?”

Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful;  
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

Tremble, then, and do not sin;  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Offer the appointed sacrifices  
and put your trust in the Lord.

Many are saying,  
“O, that we might see better times!”  
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

You have put gladness in my heart,  
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

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.

## Hymn



1 Each win - ter as the year grows old - er, we each grow old - er,  
2 When race and class cry out for trea - son, when si - rens call for  
3 Yet I be - lieve be - yond be - liev - ing that life can spring from  
4 So e - ven as the sun is turn - ing to jour - ney to the  
5 O Child of ec - sta - sy and sor - rows, O Prince of peace and



too. The chill sets in a lit - tle cold - er; the  
war, they o - ver - shout the voice of rea - son and  
death, that growth can flow - er from our griev - ing, that  
north, the liv - ing flame, in se - cret burn - ing, can  
pain, bright - en to - day's world by to - mor - row's, re -



ver - i - ties we knew seem shak - en and un - true.  
scream till we ig - nore all we held dear be - fore.  
we can catch our breath and turn trans - fixed by faith.  
kin - dle on the earth and bring God's love to birth.  
new our lives a - gain; Lord Je - sus, come and reign!

Text: William Gay, b. 1920, alt.  
Music: CAROL OF HOPE, Annabeth Gay, b. 1925  
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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

O Word that goest forth on high,  
from God's own depths eternally,  
Who in these latter days wast born,  
for succor to a world forlorn.

O Word, that goest Forth on High  
Text: 7th Century  
Music: Robert Lehman (b. 1960)

*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*



*Officiant*



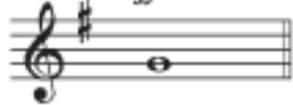
Lord, ——— hear — our — prayer;

*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**

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: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

*Officiant and People*

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing; that awake we may watch with Christ, and

a - sleep we may rest in peace.

*Then the following Sentences are chanted.*

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

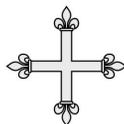
The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

**Amen.**

### **Concluding Anthem**

Say to them that are of a fearful heart,  
 "Be strong, fear not!  
 Behold your God will come and save you"

Say To Them That Are of a Fearful Heart  
 Text: Isaiah 35:4  
 Music: Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)



## **WORSHIP LEADERS**

### OFFICIANT

The Rev. Connie A. Miller, *Senior Pastor*

### MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist*  
Schola Cantorum