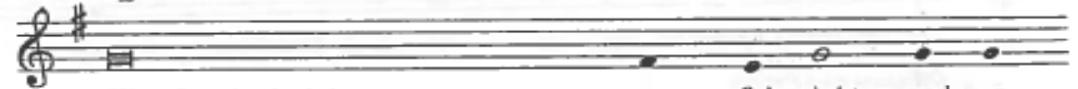


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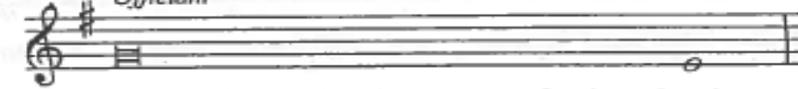
The Lord almighty grant us a peace- ful night and a

People



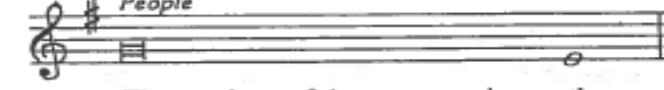
per-fect end. A - men.

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Our help is in the name of the Lord;

People



The maker of heaven and earth.

The Office continues with "O God, make speed to save us," or with the following Confession of Sin.

Officiant
Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People
Almighty God, our heavenly Father:
We have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
Forgive us all our offenses;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

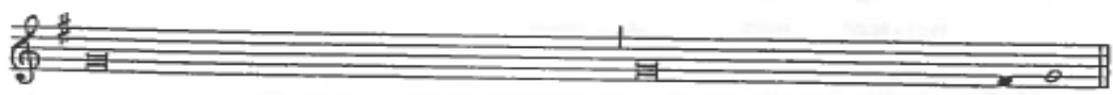
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May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



O God, make speed to save us O Lord, make haste to help us

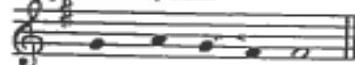


Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi-rit



as it was in the beginning is now, and will be for ever. A-men.

Except in Lent, add:



Al- le- lu - ia.

One of the following Psalms is sung, along with Psalm 134.

Psalm 4 *Cum invocarem*



- 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 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 si-lence upon your bed.

- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices, *
and put your / trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" *
Lift up the light of your countenance up-/on 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.

Psalm 31 *In te, Domine, speravi*



- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me / in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste / to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead / me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you / are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O / LORD, O God of truth.

Psalm 91 *Qui habitat*



- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of / the Almighty.

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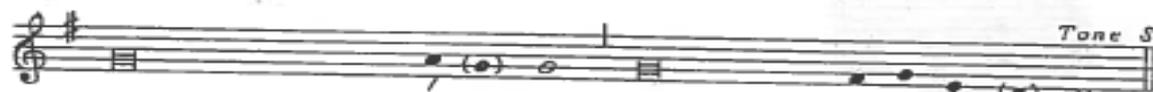
- 2 He shall say to the LORD,
"You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in / whom I put my trust."
- 3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter *
and from the / deadly pestilence.
- 4 He shall cover you with his pinions,
and you shall find refuge under his wings; *
his faithfulness shall be a / shield and buckler.
- 5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, *
nor of the ar-/row that flies by day;
- 6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, *
nor of the sickness that lays / waste at mid-day.
- 7 A thousand shall fall at your side
and ten thousand at your right hand, *
but it shall / not come near you.
- 8 Your eyes have only to behold *
to see the reward / of the wicked.
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
and the Most High your / habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come / near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep / you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your / foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent / under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, be-/cause he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring / him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him / my salvation.

Psalm 134 *Ecce nunc*



- 1 *Be-hold* now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, *
you that stand by night in the / house of the LORD.
- 2 Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD; *
the LORD who made heaven and earth bless you / out of Zion.

At the end of the psalm is sung



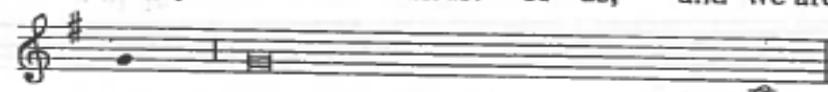
Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning is now, and will be for / ever. Amen.

One of the following passages of Scripture is sung

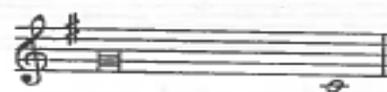
Jeremiah 14: 9, 22



Lord, you are in the midst of us, and we are called by your

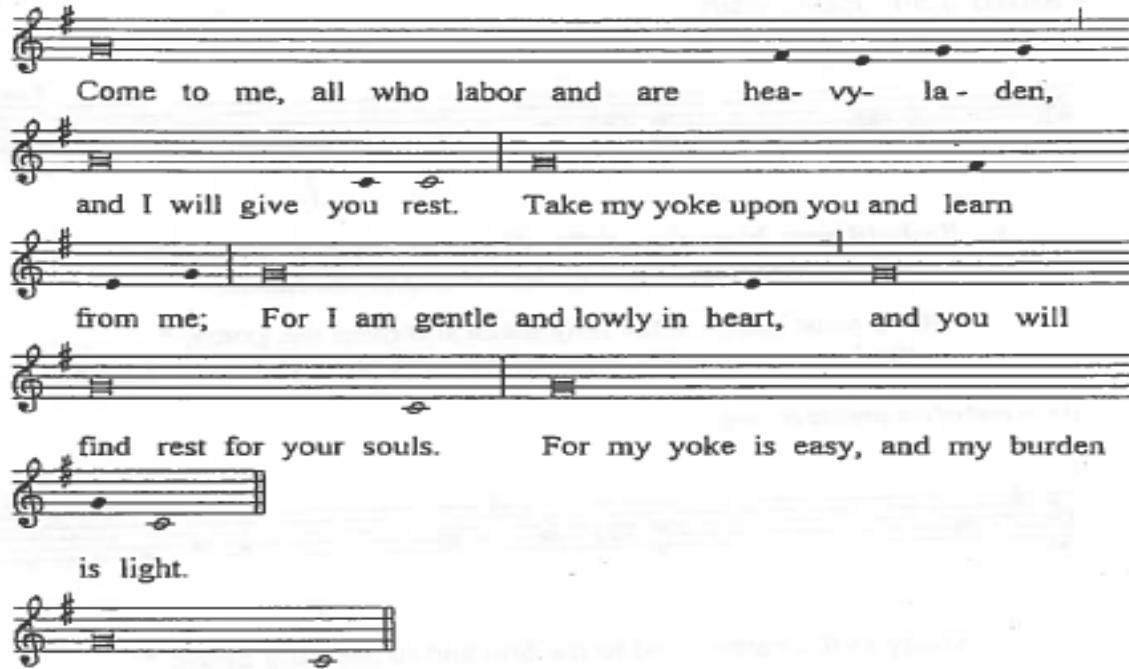


Name: Do not forsake us, O Lord our God.



Thanks be to God.

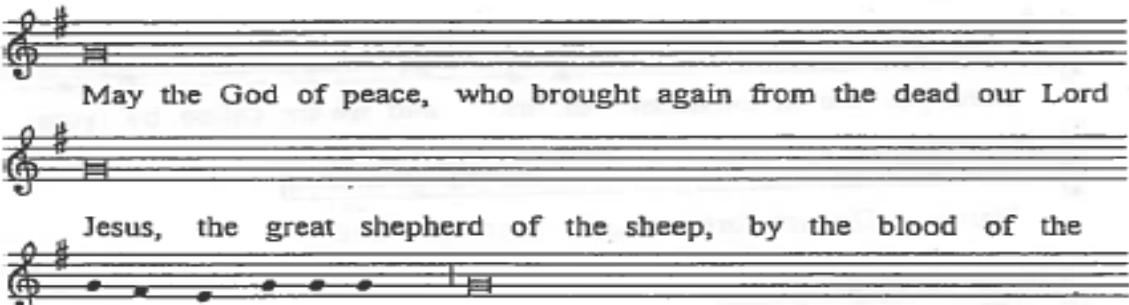
Matthew 11: 28-30



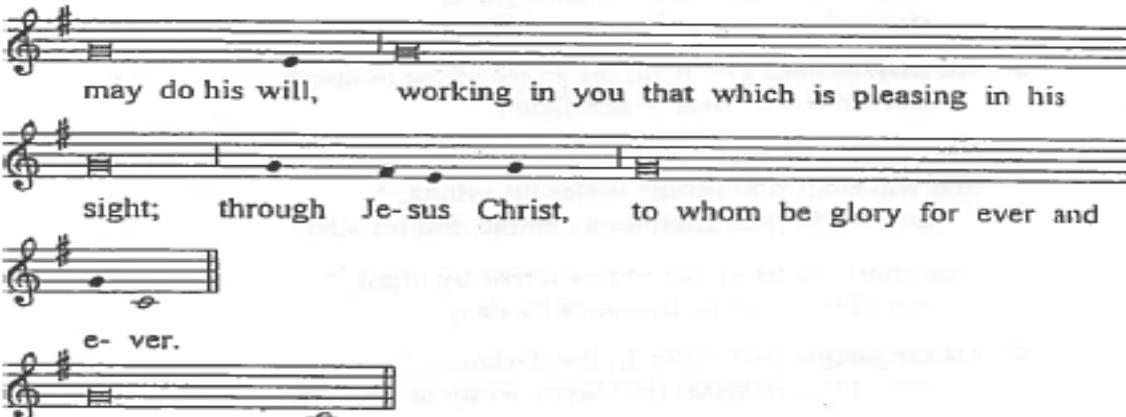
Come to me, all who labor and are hea- vy- la- den,
and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn
from me; For I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will
find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden
is light.

Thanks be to God.

Hebrews 13:20-21



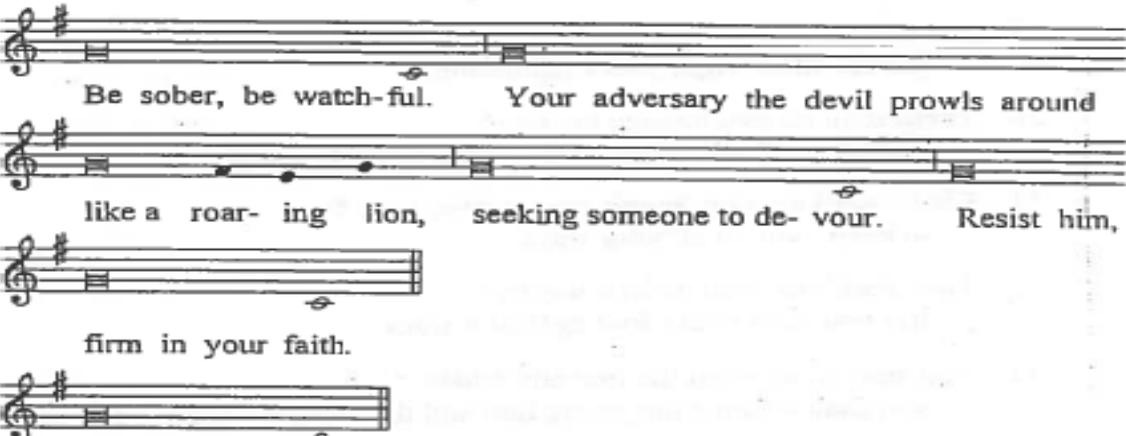
May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord
Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the
e- ter- nal cov- e- nant, equip you with everything good that you



may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his
sight; through Je- sus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and
e- ver.

Thanks be to God.

1 Peter 5:8-9a



Be sober, be watch-ful. Your adversary the devil prowls around
like a roar- ing lion, seeking someone to de- vour. Resist him,
firm in your faith.

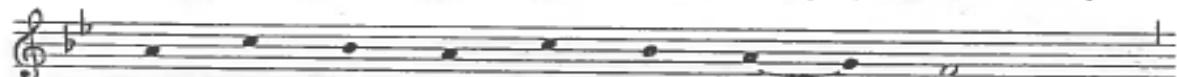
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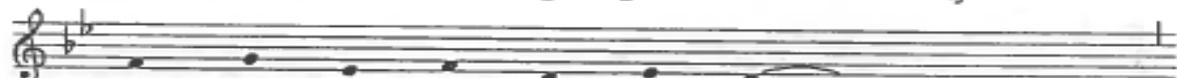
Jesus, Redeemer of the world



1 Je - sus, Re - deem - er of the world,
 2 The whole cre - a - tion's ar - chi - tect,
 3 You broke the bonds of death and hell:
 4 Lord, while we live for this short time
 5 All glo - ry be to you, Lord Christ,



1 Word of the Fa - ther throned on high,
 2 you set the bounds of night and day;
 3 Lord, free us from our an - cient foe
 4 as mor - tals clothed in earth - bound frame,
 5 who, con - quering death, reign glo - rious - ly



1 light from the light in - vi - si - ble,
 2 give to our wea - ried bo - dies rest
 3 and let him ne - ver lead a - stray
 4 re - fresh us now with rest - ful sleep
 5 with God, Cre - a - tor of all things



1 and watch - ful guard - ian o - ver all:
 2 in night's en - fold - ing qui - et - ness.
 3 those you have ran - somed by your blood.
 4 that wak - ing we may watch with you.
 5 and with the Spi - rit, Com - for - ter.

Words: Latin, 10th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1982*. St. 5 Anne LeCroy (b. 1930)
 Music: *Jesus, nostra redemptio*, plainsong, Mode 8, Worcester MS, 13th cent.

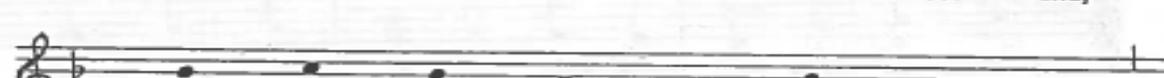
O Christ, you are both light and day



1 O Christ, you are both light and day.
 2 We pray you, O most ho - ly Lord,
 3 Al - though our eyes in sleep be closed,
 4 De - fen - der of us all, look down;
 5 O Christ, Re - deem - er of the world,



1 you drive a - way the sha - dowed night;
 2 to be our guar - dian while we sleep;
 3 let hearts in con - stant vi - gil watch;
 4 re - pel our dread, ma - li - cious foe;
 5 O God, our Ma - ker and our end,



1 as Day - star you pre - cede the dawn,
 2 be - stow on us who rest in you
 3 with your right hand you will pro - tect
 4 di - rect your faith - ful house - hold Lord,
 5 O Spi - rit, bond of peace and love,



1 the Her - ald of the light to come.
 2 the bless - ing of a qui - et night.
 3 those who be - live and trust in you.
 4 whom you have pur - chased with your blood.
 5 to you be thanks and end - less praise.

Words: Latin, 6th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1982*. St. 5 Charles P. Price (b. 1920)
 Music: *Christe, qui Lux est et dies*, plainsong, Mode 2, *Mailander Hymnen*, 15th cent.

All praise to thee, my God, this night



1 All praise to thee, my God, this night, for
 2 For - give me, Lord, for thy dear Son, the
 3 O may my soul on thee re - pose, and
 4 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow, praise



1 all the bless - ings of the light: keep me, O keep me,
 2 ill that I this day have done; that with the world, my-
 3 with sweet sleep mine eye - lids close; sleep that will me more
 4 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

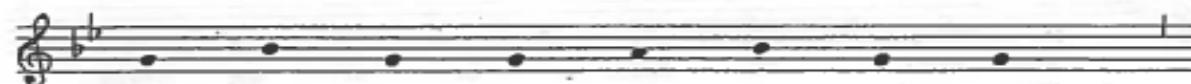


1 King of kings, be - neath thine own al - migh - ty wings.
 2 self, and thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
 3 vi - g'rous make to serve my God when I a - wake.
 4 heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: *The Eighth Tone*, Thomas Tallis, (1507-1585), adapt. *Hymnal 1982*

To you before the close of day



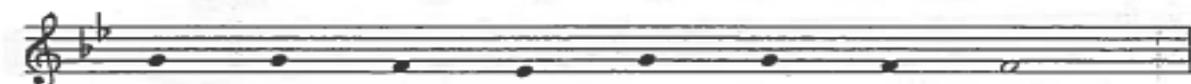
1 To you be - fore the close of day,
 2 Save us from trou - bled, rest - less sleep,
 3 A heal - thy life we ask of you,
 4 Al - migh - ty Fa - ther, hear our cry,



1 Cre - a - tor of all things, we pray
 2 from all ill dreams your chil - dren keep;
 3 the fire of love in us re - new,
 4 through Je - sus Christ, our Lord Most High,



1 that in your con - - stant cle - men - cy
 2 so calm our minds that fears may cease
 3 and when the dawn new light will bring
 4 whom with the Spi - - rit we a - dore



1 our guard and keep - er you would be.
 2 and rest - ed bo - dies wake in peace.
 3 your praise and glo - ry we shall sing.
 4 for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: Latin, 6th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1982*. St. 4 James Waring McCrady (b. 1938)

Music: *Te lucis ante terminum*, plainsong, Mode 8, *Antiphonale Sarisburiense*, Vol. II

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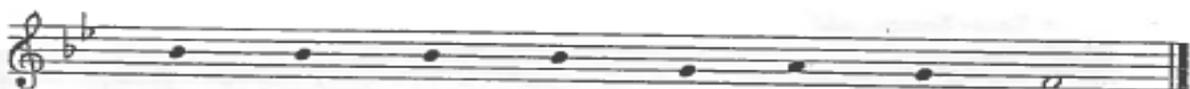
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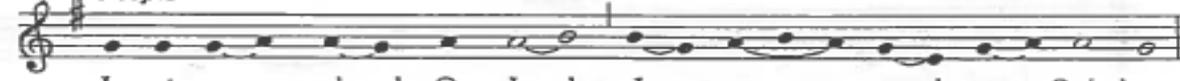
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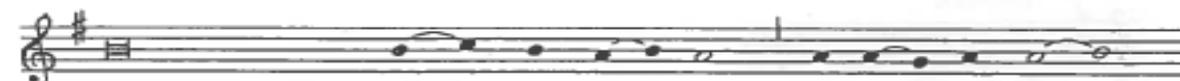


In- to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my Spi-rit.

People

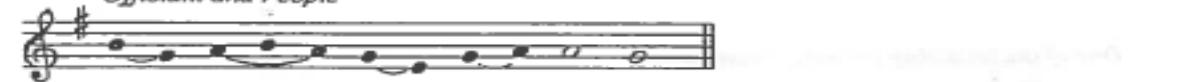


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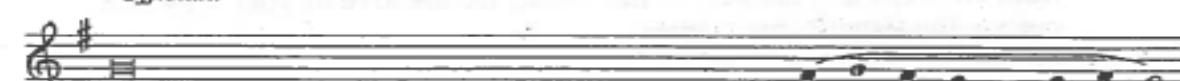
For you have re - deemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

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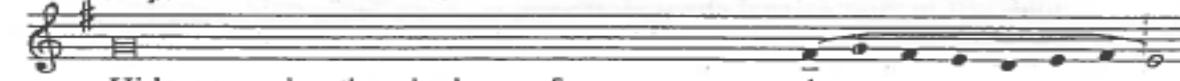
I com - mend my Spi-rit.

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Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

People

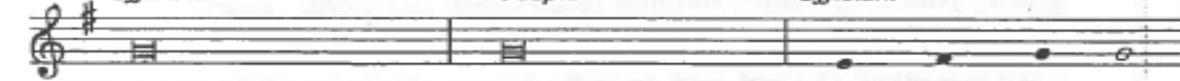


Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

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People

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Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy Lord, have mer- cy.

Officiant and People



Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your Name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from e - vil.

Officiant Lord, hear our prayer; *People* And let our cry come to you.

Officiant Let us pray.

One of the following collects is monotoned:

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.*

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

Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illumine this night with your celestial brightness; that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessings be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

One of the following prayers is added

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous, and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*

O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep, and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A period of Silence is observed. The people may add their own concerns and petitions, silently or aloud.

The Officiant continues with The Song of Simeon

Guide us wa - king, O Lord, and guard us sleep - ing;

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

In Easter Season, add:
Al- le- lu- ia, al- le- lu - ia, al - le- lu- ia.

Tone 3

- 1 Lord, you now have sēt your ser-vánt free *
to go in peace as you / have pró-mised.
- 2 For these eyes of mine have séen the Sá-vior, *
whom you have prepared for all / the world tó see:
- 3 A Light to en-/light-en thé na-tions, *
and the glory of your peo/ple Is-rá-el.



Glo-ry to the Father and to the Son, and to the Hó-ly Spi-rit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev/er Á-men.

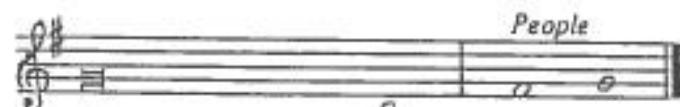
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Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.



The almighty and mer-ci-ful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spi-rit,



bless us and keep us. A - men.