

Evening Prayer

Opening Praise

Stay With Us

*Stay with us, till night has come: Our praise to you this day be sung.
Bless our bread, open our eyes: Jesus, be our great surprise.*

*Walk with us, our spirits sigh: hear when our weary spirits cry,
Feel again our loss, our pain: Jesus, take us to your side.*

*Walk with us, the road will bend: make all our weeping, wailing end.
Wipe our tears, forgive our fears: Jesus, lift the heavy cross.*

*Talk with us, till we behold a joyful life you will unfold:
Heal our eyes to see the prize: Jesus, take us to the light.*

*Stay with us, till day is done: no tears nor dark shall dim the sun.
Cheer the heart, your grace impart: Jesus, bring eternal life.*

Psalm 134

¹ Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, who stand by night in the house of the Lord! ² Lift up your hands to the holy place, and bless the Lord. ³ May the Lord, maker of heaven and earth, bless you from Zion.

Silence

Matthew 11:28-30

²⁸ “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Silence

Meditation Song

Kyrie Eleison

Early Greek

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Prayers of Intercession

*Jesus Christ, you come to transfigure us in the image of your Father and our Father:
open for us the gates of your Kingdom.*

*Jesus Christ, Light of our hearts, you know how thirsty we are:
open for us the gates of your Kingdom.*

*Jesus Christ, Light of the world, you shine for us all:
enable us to discern your presence in every human being.*

*Jesus Christ, beloved Son of the Father:
inspire in us all love that is self-giving.*

*Jesus Christ, Source of life, rest for the weary:
open for us all the gates of praise.*

*Jesus Christ, Friend of the poor:
open in us the gates of simplicity to welcome you.*

*Jesus Christ, Presence of the living God, through your Church you prepare your way for
others: open for all the gates of your Kingdom.*

Jesus Christ, Source of peace, bring us peace of heart and peace in the world.

*Jesus Christ, so much greater than our hearts:
in you the road to the Kingdom opens for us.*

Collect

Lord, hear our prayer; and let our cry come to you.

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 who taught us to pray...

Our Father (sung)

*Our God in heaven holy is your name, your reign come, your will done, on earth as in
heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and help us forgive as we have been forgiven. In
the time of trial lead us into light, for yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Our God in heaven, holy is your name, holy is your name.*

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God, above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Blessing

In peace we will lie down and sleep.
In the Lord alone we safely rest.
Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping,
that awake we may watch with Christ,
and asleep we may rest in peace.
May the divine help remain with us always.
And with those who are absent from us.

The Lord Almighty grant us a restful night and peace at last.