Compline

October 26-30

Grace to you and peace from God our Creator and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of the bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. *Amen.*

O God, make speed to save us.

*O Lord, make haste to help us*.

Let us say together the psalm.

**Psalm 67**

The Lord be merciful to us and bless us,

show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon the earth,

your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity

and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase;

may God, our own God, give us God's blessing.

May God give us his blessing,

and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

**Psalm 84**

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house

and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;

by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house!

they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you!

whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,

for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

One day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room;

and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God

than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

No good thing with the Lord withhold

from those who walk with integrity.

O Lord of hosts,

happy are they who put their trust in you!

**Psalm 95**

Come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God,

and a great king above all gods.

In his hands are the caverns of the earth,

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is him, for he made it,

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,

and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**Readings**

**Monday**

Lord, you are in the midst of us, and we are called by your Name: Do not forsake us, O Lord our God. *Jeremiah 14:9, 22*

**Tuesday**

Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who abuse you. Do good and lend, expecting nothing in return. Be merciful as your God is merciful. Judge not and you will not be judged. Condemn not and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you; for the measure you give will be the measure you receive. *Luke 6:27-38*

**Wednesday**

There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. *Galatians 3:28*

**Thursday**

God has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? *Micah 6:8*

**Friday**

It is the God who said, Let light shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our body. *2 Corinthians 4:6-10*

**A Litany For The Election**

Lord, let us be a people who truly provide liberty and justice for all.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

May we value every citizen.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Help us strive to be a people who agree on basic human values.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Lord, let us stand tall in the world without arrogance.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer*.**

Help us be a people who provide for the poor, the weak, and the hungry.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Make us a people who condemn white supremacy and who speak out against domestic terrorism.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer*.**

Help us heal our divisions, seek unity and have civil and productive discourse about our differences.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Let us be a people who revere all nature and who live in harmony with every living creature.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Let us love and cherish Mother Earth, as she has loved us.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

We pray for strong, intelligent, honest and steadfast leaders.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Let us be a people who seek and promote peace among all peoples.  
***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.***

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of a president and representatives, that by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The officiant says one of the following collects*.

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.*

*The following prayers may be 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.*

*Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

my spirit rejoices in God my savior;

for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:

the Almighty has done great things for me,

and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him

in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,

and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,

and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel,

for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

The promise he made to Abraham and Sarah and their children for ever.

Glory be to God, sustaining, redeeming, sanctifying,

As in the beginning, so now, and for ever.

Amen.

*Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.*

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers and mothers, creator of the changes of day and night, giving rest to the weary, renewing the strength of those who are spent, bestowing upon us occasions of song in the evening. As you have protected us in the day that is past, so be with us in the coming night; keep us from every sin, every evil, and every fear; for you are our light and salvation, and the strength of our life. To you be glory for endless ages. *Amen*.

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*