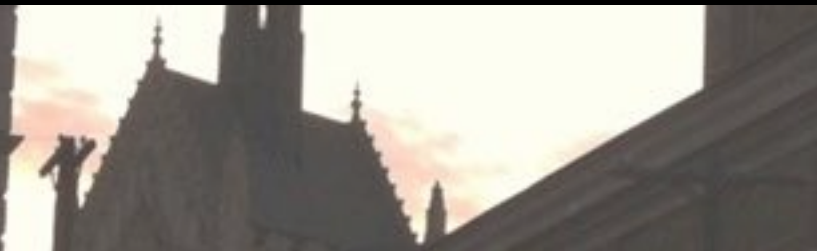


# Compline

Choral Prayer at the Close of Day



1 O one with God the Fa - ther In maj - es - ty and might,  
 2 Yet, Lord, we see but dim - ly; O heav'n - ly Light, a - rise;  
 3 O Je - sus, shine a - round us With ra - diance of your grace;

The bright-ness of his glo - ry, E - ter - nal Light of light:  
 Dis - pel these mists that shroud us And hide you from our eyes.  
 O Je - sus, turn up - on us The bright-ness of your face.

To gloom-y haunts of dark - ness Your rays are stream - ing  
 We long to track the foot - prints Where you your - self have  
 We need no star to guide us, As on our way we

down; The shad - ows flee be - fore you, The world's  
 trod; We long to see the path - way That leads  
 press, If you will light our path - way, O Sun

true light has come.  
 to you, our God.  
 of righ - teous - ness.

## WELCOME TO COMPLINE

You are stepping into a service of worship that originated in the convents and monasteries of Europe more than a thousand years ago. We hope that Compline's ancient prayers for peace, forgiveness and safety through the coming night will touch your heart and you will be renewed and strengthened by this hour.

## GUEST ORGANIST

We welcome tonight's guest organist, **Joseph Tuttle**. Joseph is Vice-President of Luley & Associates Pipe Organ Company and Music Director at St. John's Lutheran Church of Highland, PA.

## Order of Service

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany


Procession *(please stand, if able)*

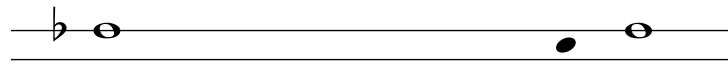
The Prelude *(please sit)*  
 Seasonal Selection

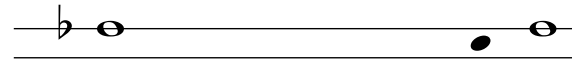
The Opening Collect *(please stand)*  
**Congregation: Amen.**

The Orison  
*Dir, Herr, dir will ich mich ergeben* by Anton Bruckner

The Opening Versicles  
**Leader:** The Lord Almighty † grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

**Congregation:**   
 A - men

**L** It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
**C**   
 to sing praise to your name, O most high.

**L** to herald your love in the morning,  
**C**   
 your truth at the close of the day.

The Congregational Hymn (back page)

## THE ORISON

Dir, Herr, dir will ich mich ergeben,  
 dir, dessen Eigentum ich bin.  
 Du nur allein, du bist mein Leben,  
 und Sterben wird mir dann Gewinn.  
 Ich lebe dir, ich sterbe dir,  
 sei du nur mein, so g'nügt es mir.

To You, Lord, to you I will surrender myself,  
 you, whose property I am.  
 You alone, you are my life,  
 and so death then becomes to me a gain.  
 I live to you, I die to you,  
 you alone are mine, so I am fulfilled.

**Psalm 91 (Jeremy Jelinek)**

He that dwelleth in the shelter of the Most High, and abideth in the shadow of the Almighty, he shall say to the Lord, "Thou art my protector and my stronghold, my God, in whom I put my trust." For He will rescue thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the sharp word. With His pinions, will He shelter thee; and under His wings thou shalt be secure. Like a shield His truth shall guard thee, thou shalt not fear the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the plague that prowls in the dark, nor the noonday attack of the demon. A thousand shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand, yet no evil shall come to thee. But with thine eyes thou shalt see and behold the punishment of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord thy hope, and the most High thy refuge, no evil shall befall thee nor any plague come near thy dwelling. He hath given His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways; they shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the asp and the adder, the lion and dragon shalt thou trample under foot. "Because he hath put his trust in Me, I will deliver him; I will protect him because he hath known my name. He will call upon Me and I will hear him; I will be with him in need, I will rescue him and bring him honor; with length of days I will satisfy him, and show him my salvation." Gloria.

**Psalm 119, v.33-40 (Tone 8.1)**

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein is my desire. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness. O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity; and quicken thou me in thy way. O stablish thy word in thy servant, that I may fear thee. Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of, for thy judgments are good. Behold, my delight is in thy commandments, O quicken me in thy righteousness. Gloria

**The Confession** *(please sit)*

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

*Silence for self-examination*

I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

**C** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

**L** Amen.

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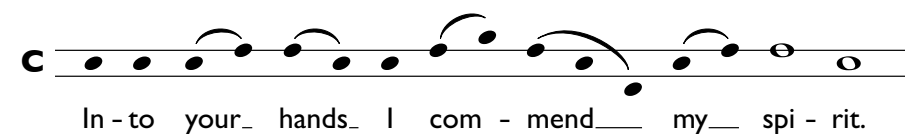
**C** Amen.

**The Psalmody**

**The Lesson**

**The Responsory**

**L** Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

**C** 

**L** You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth

**C** Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

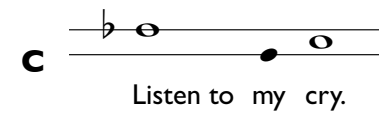
**L** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** Into your hands, I commend my spirit.

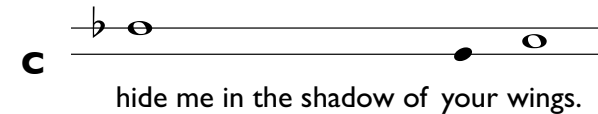
**The Anthem**

**The Versicles** *(please stand)*

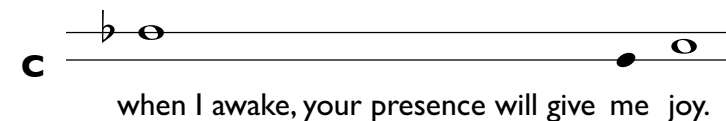
**L** Hear my prayer, O Lord.

**C** 

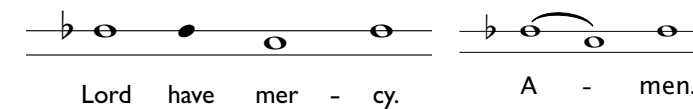
**L** Keep me as the apple of your eye;

**C** 

**L** In righteousness I shall see you;

**C** 

**The Litany**

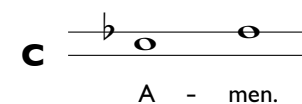


**The Lord's Prayer** (Gerhart Schurmann)

**The Gospel Canticle** (John Goss)

**The Benediction**

**L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

**C** 

*(Please remain standing as the choir recesses.)*

**THE ANTHEM**  
**Nachtlied by Max Reger**

The night has fallen,  
And we should rest;  
God is there, to care for us  
By his good will,  
So that we settle  
In his company and blessing,  
To maintain the peace.

Father, drive the evil spirits  
Far away from us;  
Keep the night watch;  
Be our protector;  
Shield both body and soul  
Under your wings;  
Send us your angels!

Let us go to sleep  
With good thoughts,  
Happily awoken  
And never waver from you;  
Let us, with rearing,  
Focus our deeds and words  
On your glory!

**THE GOSPEL CANTICLE**

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; to be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Gloria.

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