Compline for Thursdays

The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end.

Amen.

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People The maker of heaven and earth.

Let us confess our sins to God.

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.

Officiant and People

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

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

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*.

(Except in Lent, add) Alleluia.

The Psalm

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 silence 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 upon 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.

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.

Passage of Scripture

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, 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. *Matthew 11:28-30*

Thanks be to God.

The Prayers

- V Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;
- R For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.
- V Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;
- R Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Lord, hear our prayer.

And let our cry come unto you.

Let us pray.

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

(Silence may be kept, and free intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered.)

Officiant and People

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

In the Easter Season add Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations, *

and the glory of your people Israel.

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.

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

In the Easter Season add Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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.*