

St. James Episcopal Church

Midvale, UT

An Order for Compline

Wednesday

8:00pm

Compline is a simple office including a confession of sins, one or more psalms, a short reading from scripture, versicles and responses, the Lord's Prayer, collects which ask for God's protection during the night to come, and the canticle Nunc dimittis. It is descended from the night prayers said before bed at the end of the monastic round of daily prayer.



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The Officiant begins

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.**

The Officiant may then say

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.

Officiant

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.**

Officiant and People

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. Alleluia.

The Officiant and the People then say together the following Psalm.

Psalm 134 Ecce nunc

*1 Behold 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 Psalms is sung or said

*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 or a suitable passage of Scripture, is read

Be sober, be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith. *I Peter 5:8-9a*

People **Thanks be to God.**

Then follows

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.

Officiant and People

**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.**

Officiant Lord, hear our prayer;

People **And let our cry come to you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

The Officiant then says this Collect

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 blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Officiant and People

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 - You may add your intercessions and thanksgivings in the comments if you wish. A period of silence may be kept while attendees do so.

The service concludes with the Song of Simeon with this Antiphon, which is said by all

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

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.

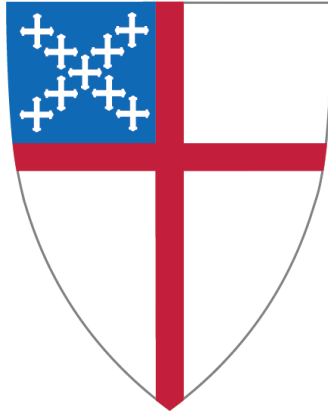
Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us.

People ***Amen.***

Thank you to Worship Leader, Laura Orcutt,
for leading this evening's Compline Service.



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The Ven. Robert Shoop, *Archdeacon*
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Laura Orcutt, *Worship Leader*

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