

The Divine Office of Compline

Christ Church, Raleigh N.C.

Introit Hide me under the shadow of Thy wings, John West (1863-1929)

*Hide me under the shadow of Thy wings,
O Lord, and give Thine angels charge concerning me:
That I may lie down in peace, and take my rest,
for it is Thou, Lord, only, that makest me to dwell in safety. Psalms 91:11, 17:8, 4:8*

Officiant 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.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.
People O Lord, make haste to help us.

**All 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.**

The Psalm Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18

- 1 *Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.*
- 2 *In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.*
- 3 *Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*
- 4 *O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?*
- 5 *You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.*
- 6 *You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.*
- 7 *Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*
- 16 *Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
and son of man you have made so strong for yourself.*

17 *And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.*

18 *Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*

A suitable passage of Scripture, is read

*May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with
everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Hebrews 13:20-21*

People Thanks be to God.

A hymn suitable for the evening may be sung.

When I survey the wondrous cross, Hymn 474, Rockingham

**1. When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

**3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through his blood.**

**4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

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R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

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

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,
in earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

Cantor Lord, hear our prayer;
People And let our cry come to you.
Cantor Let us pray.

Officiant Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illumine this night with your celestial brightness; that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The service concludes with the Song of Simeon and with this Antiphon, which is sung or 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.

The Officiant concludes

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

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