

## Service of Night Prayer for Lent 2021

### Prelude

Almighty God grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

**Amen.**

By day, O God,

**you grant your steadfast love,**

and at night your song is with me,

**a prayer to the God of my life.**

### *Instrumental Hymn: Abide With Me*

### Confession & Forgiveness

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

Holy and gracious God,

**I confess that I have sinned against you this day.**

**Some of my sin I know—**

**the thoughts and words and deeds**

**of which I am ashamed—**

**but some is known only to you.**

**In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness.**

**Deliver and restore me,**

**that I may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God

we are united with Jesus Christ,

in whom we are forgiven.

We rest now in the peace of Christ

and rise in the morning to serve.

### Psalm 67

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us;  
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

2 **Let your way be known upon earth,**  
**your saving health among all nations.**

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

4 **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,**

**for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

**6 The earth has brought forth its increase;**

**God, our own God, has blessed us.**

7 May God give us blessing,

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

### **Psalm Prayer**

Let us pray. **God of wisdom, through your power the earth has brought forth its noblest fruit, the tree of the cross. Unite all people in its embrace, and feed us with its fruit, everlasting life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### **Scripture dialogue**

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

**May we love the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.**

Take to heart that the Lord is God;

**there is no other in heaven and earth.**

The Lord will establish you as his holy people;

**this very day we have become the people of God.**

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone;

**bind these words in our hearts and souls.**

### **Scripture Reading**

### **Sermon/Reflection**

### **Instrumental hymn of the day**

### **Dialogue & Prayers**

Show us your mercy, O God,

**and grant us your salvation.**

Give us the joy of your saving help again,

**and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.**

Give peace in all the world;

**for only in you can we live in safety.**

Keep the nations under your care,

**and guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Let your way be known upon earth;

**your saving health among all nations.**

Let not the needy be forgotten,

**nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**and sustain me with your Holy Spirit.**

Lord, hear my prayer,

**and let my cry come before you.**

O Lord our God, show us your everlasting love,

**that we may serve you from the obedience of our hearts.**

Lead us in the way of your peace,

**that our souls may be restored.**

Fill our imaginations with the wonders of your creation,

**that our minds may reflect your glory.**

Guide us in the way of the cross,

**that we might proclaim the strength of your love.**

O Lord, there is no God like you, in heaven or on earth, keeping covenant in steadfast love with your servants who walk before you with all their heart. Hear us, O God, and keep teaching us to pray:

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those**

**who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours,**

**now and forever. Amen.**

Hear my prayer, O Lord;

**listen to my cry.**

Keep me as the apple of your eye;

**hide me in the shadow of your wings.**

In righteousness I shall see you;

**when I awake, your presence will give me joy.**

Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are yours, and to you the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### ***Night Prayer Song of Simeon (spoken)***

Guide us waking, O Lord,

and guard us sleeping;

that awake we may watch with Christ

and asleep may rest in peace.

**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace:**

**your word has been fulfilled.**

**My own eyes have seen the salvation**

**which you have prepared in the sight of all people:**

**a light to reveal you to the nations**

**and the glory of your people Israel.**

**Guide us waking, O Lord,**

**and guard us sleeping;**

**that awake we may watch with Christ**

**and asleep we may rest in peace.**

### **Blessing**

Love the Lord your God with all your heart,

with all your soul,

with all your mind,

with all your strength.

Keep these words in your heart.

Recite them to your children and talk about them

when you are at home and when you are away,  
when you lie down and when you rise.

Bind them as a sign on your hand,  
fix them as an emblem on your forehead,  
and write them on the doorpost of your house.

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
from everlasting to everlasting.**

The peace of God,  
which surpasses all understanding,  
guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**Amen.**

## **Postlude**

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