Dialogue

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

Amen.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

to sing praise to your name, O Most High;
to herald your love in the morning,
your truth at the close of the day.

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.

Confession

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God

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.

Scripture

Litany

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
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You have redeemed me, O Lord, God of truth.
Into your hands I commend my spirit.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, + and to the Holy Spirit.
Into your hands I commend my spirit.

Gospel Canticle

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.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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

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.

Be present, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of life may find our rest in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Luther’s Evening Prayer

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected us today. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously protect us tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your Holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us.

Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing and Benediction

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.
Almighty and merciful God, Father, ✞ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless, preserve, and keep us, this night and forevermore. Amen.