

Evening Prayer

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Opening Sentences

Advent

Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height and look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One. (Baruch 5:5)

Confession

The Deacon or Celebrant says
Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Opening Versicle

Evening Prayer

Officiant: *O God, be not far from us.*

People: **Come quickly to help us, O God**

Doxology

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen.*

Antiphons on Venite or Jubilate

In Advent

Our God and Savior now draws near: **O come let us worship.**

Psalm 122

Trinity Psalter

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John Hughes, 1967

I was glad to hear them say - ing, "To the LORD'S house
This the or - di - nance for Is - rael, here to thank Je -
In your pal - ac - es be safe - ty. For the sake of

let us go." For our feet will soon be stand - ing in your gates, Je -
ho - vah's name. There are set the thrones of judg - ment; there is Da - vid's
broth - ers all, for the sake of my com - pan - ions, I am say - ing,

ru - sa - lem. Sa - lem, well con - struct - ed cit - y.
house en - throned. Pray then for the peace of Sa - lem;
"Peace to you!" For Je - ho - vah's house with - in you,

there as - sem - ble all the tribes, tribes that are Je - ho - vah's own.
may they pros - per who love you. Be there peace with - in your walls.
tem - ple of the LORD our God, I will or - er seek your good.

Laetatus sum

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."
- 2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;

- 4 To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the Lord.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
"May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, *
I will seek to do you good."

Our God and Savior now draws near: **O come let us worship.**

The Lessons

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'

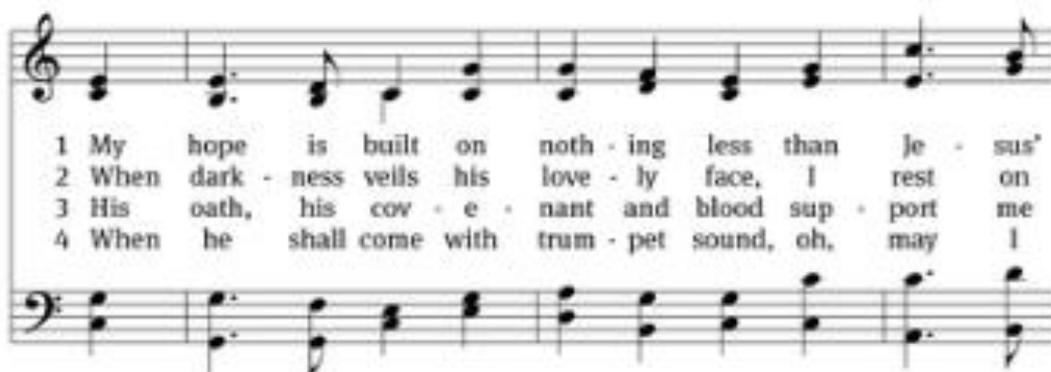
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

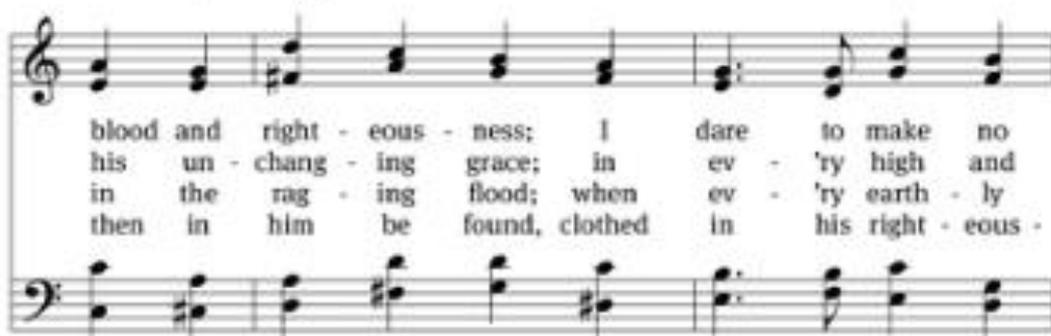
After the Readings, the Reader may say
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus'
 2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant and blood sup - port me
 4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh, may I

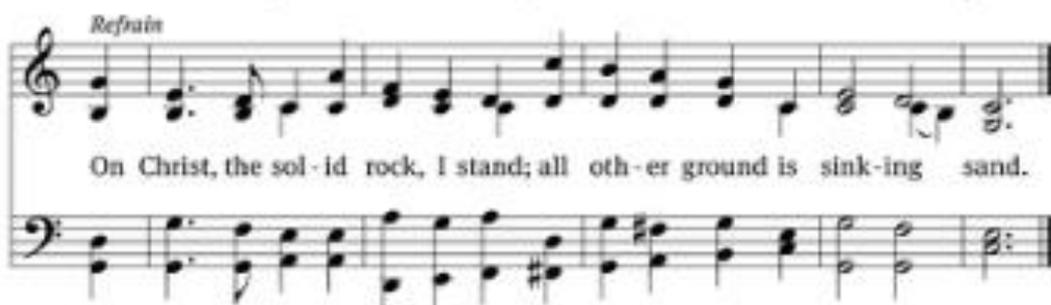


blood and right - eous - ness; I dare to make no
 his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and
 in the rag - ing flood; when ev - 'ry earth - ly
 then in him be found, clothed in his right - eous -



oth - er claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 prop gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, fault - less to stand be - fore his throne.

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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The Song of Simeon Nunc dimittis (Luke 2:29-32)

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 one holy and living God: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
You, O God, are Creator of all

by whom every being in heaven and on earth
is fashioned, named, and sustained.
You call to us each by name.
You, O God, are living Word,
who came and pitched your tent with us,
lived and died and rose again.
You, O God, are Creator of all, speak to us now through faith.
You, O God, are Holy Spirit,
who comforts, strengthens and inspires,
sending us forth to share your love.
You breathe in us the breath of grace.
You, O God, are Trinity:
Creator, Word, Spirit;
God beyond, God beside, God within;
Artist, friend and healer.
You are holy mystery
and we worship you.
Amen.

The Prayers

The people stand or kneel

Officiant: God be with you.

People: And also with you .

Officiant: Let us pray .

**Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother parent of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!**

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the

dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Sundays

Lord God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ triumphed over the powers of death and prepared for us our place in the new Jerusalem: Grant that we, who have this day given thanks for his resurrection, may praise you in that City of which he is the light, and where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for the Presence of Christ

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen.**

Then, unless the Eucharist or a form of general intercession is to follow, one of these prayers for mission is added

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**

Here may be sung a hymn or anthem.

Alpha & Omega

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of three staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature. The melody starts with a whole rest, followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and C5, each with a fermata. This is followed by quarter notes B4, A4, G4, and F4, with quarter rests between G4 and B4, and A4 and G4. The staff concludes with quarter notes E4, D4, C4, and B3. The second staff starts with a treble clef and a measure rest. It begins with quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and C5, followed by quarter notes B4, A4, G4, and F4. A double bar line follows. The melody continues with quarter notes E4, D4, C4, and B3, then quarter notes A3, G3, F3, and E3. The staff ends with quarter notes D3, C3, and B2. The third staff starts with a treble clef and a measure rest. It begins with quarter notes G4, A4, B4, and C5, followed by quarter notes B4, A4, G4, and F4. The staff concludes with quarter notes E4, D4, C4, and B3. The lyrics are: "You are al - pha and o - me - ga. We wor-ship you our Lord, You are wor-thy to be praised. We give you all the Glo - ry We wo-ship you our Lord You are wor - thy to be praised."

Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.

Before the close of the Office the following may be used

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

Amen. (2 Corinthians 13:14)