Compline : Night Prayer for Tuesday

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The Gathering ...

Welcome and introduction

From our cycle of prayer for this dispersed worshipping community: Tonight's Office Prayer is offered for

- the priest, clergy team, people and community of the East Vale and Avon Churches in the Worcester Diocese
- and for the Rochester Diocese.

O God, come to our aid, O Lord, make haste to help us

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Song

Faithful one, so unchanging; ageless one, you're my rock of peace Lord of all I depend on you. I call out to you, again and again I call out to you, again and again

You are my rock in times of trouble You lift me up when I fall down All through the storm Your love is the anchor; My hope is in you alone

> Text and music: Brian Doerksen (STF 628)

Psalmody

Do not hide your face from me, for in you have I put my trust

Psalm 143: 1-11

Lord, listen to my prayer: turn your ear to my appeal. * You are faithful, you are just; give answer. Do not call your servant to judgement * for no one is just in your sight.

The enemy pursues my soul; he has crushed my life to the ground; he has made me dwell in darkness* like the dead, long forgotten. Therefore my spirit fails; my heart is numb within me.

I remember the days that are past:* I ponder all your works. I muse on what your hand has wrought and to you I stretch out my hands. * Like a parched land my soul thirsts for you.

Lord, make haste and answer;* for my spirit fails within me. Do not hide your face * lest I become like those in the grave.

In the morning let me know your love * for I put my trust in you. Make me know the way I should walk:* to you I lift up my soul.

Rescue me, Lord, from my enemies; * I have fled to you for refuge. Teach me to do your will * for you, O Lord, are my God. let your good spirit guide me * in ways that are level and smooth.

For your Name's sake, Lord, save my life; * in your justice, save my soul from distress.

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Scripture reading

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith.

1 Peter 5 : 6-9

Responsory

Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit, alleluia, Alleluia! Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit

You have redeemed us, Lord God of truth. Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit

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Intercession...

.... Bringing to mind those whom we pray for and holding them in God's love..., bringing the needs of the world, the church, and those who have no-one to pray for them...

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis (Gospel Canticle)

Save us Lord, while we are awake; protect us while we sleep; that we may keep watch with Christ, and rest with him in peace. Alleluia

At last, all-powerful Master, you give leave to your servant to go in peace, according to your promise.

For my eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared for all nations, the light to enlighten the Gentiles and give glory to Israel, your people.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever, world without end. Amen

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Blessing and departure

In your mercy, Lord, dispel the darkness of this night. Let your household so sleep in peace, that at the dawn of a new day, they may, with joy, waken in your Name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen