Cuthbert Compline 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 clergy, people and community of S. Giles, Sheldon, in the Birmingham Diocese
- and for the Liverpool Diocese.

We begin by making the sign of the Cross

Preparation

We will lie down and sleep in peace for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

O Creator and Spirit and Jesu, the Three, from the crown of our heads, O Trinity, to the soles of our feet our offering be.

Come we unto thee, O Jesu, my King –
O Jesu, do thou be our sheltering.

Time for reflection

Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Lord have mercy

I will not lie down tonight with sin, nor shall sin, nor sin's shadow, lie down with me. Open now our hearts to you, and fill us with the peace that only you can give, through Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen.

Hymn

Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King; let his song rise within you as a fragrant offering of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem all who trust in his unfailing grace....

King of heaven, we will answer the call, we will follow, bringing hope to the world, filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim salvation in Jesus' Name.

Hear the call of the kingdom to be children of light with the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ: walking justly before him, loving all that is right, that the life of Christ may shine through us

King of heaven....

Hear the call of the kingdom to reach out to the lost with the Father's compassion in the wonder of the cross, bringing peace and forgiveness, and a hope yet to come: let the nations put their trust in him.

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Words from Psalmody

Taken from Psalm 91

Whoever has chosen to make the shelter of the Most High their dwelling place will stay in his over-shadowing.

He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I am trusting in him. He will rescue you from the traps laid for your feet, and save you from the destroying curse.

His faithful promises are your armour, you need no longer be afraid of any terror by night, or the death-arrow that flies by day.

The Lord himself is your refuge; you have made the Most High your stronghold.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold.

How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them, they would outnumber the grains of sand.
When I awake, I am still with you.

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.

Scripture reading

He told them another parable:

"The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened"

Matthew 13:33

Responsory

O God of life, this night,
O darken not to me thy Light.

O God of life, this night, close not thy gladness to my sight.

O God of life, this night, thy door to me, O shut not tight, O God of life, this night.

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...

A Collect prayer may be prayed

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, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while 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 every people;

A light to reveal you to the nations* and the glory of your people, Israel.

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

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

Blessing and departure

Be it on thine own beloved arm, O God of Grace, that we in peace shall waken.

The peace of all peace be ours this night

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with us, wherever we may wander, may he guide us through the wilderness, protect us through the storm. May he bring us back rejoicing, at the wonders he has shown us, may he bring us back, rejoicing, once again through those doors.

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

Amen

Goodnight

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