

Felgild Compline

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Scripture from the New American Bible*

The Gathering ...

Welcome and introduction

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Today is also the Feast of S. George, patron saint of England since 1347. Despite many legends, we know very little for sure except that George was a soldier of the Roman Army, martyred in Palestine, in 303AD, under the persecution of Diocletan – who carried out one of the most devastating sustained persecutions of the early church from 303-304. It was said that he 'gave his goods to the poor; and openly confessed Christianity before the court.'

We begin by making the sign of the Cross

Preparation

Lord of all,
we come to you at the close of another day,
in the quiet of this evening,
to make a space,
to be still and know that you are God,
to listen in the peace and calm
of these moments
to your still, small voice.

Lord of all,
we know you love us now, as we are,
despite our many failings.
Forgive us for forgetting you,
and renew us through your Holy Spirit.
Help us to recognise
that Christ is with us now,
as we meet together in his name,
and teach us that through him
you are with us always,
speaking, guiding, encouraging, enriching,
wanting and waiting
to touch our lives with your grace.

Open now our hearts to you,
and fill us with the peace
that only you can give,
through Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen.

Song / hymn

Stilled us, Lord, as you stilled the storm.
Still us Lord, keep us from harm.
Let all the tumult within us cease.
Enfold us Lord, in your peace.

Text: Taizé community, music: Jacques Berthier

Psalmody

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to make music to your name, O Most High,

to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night,

on the ten-stringed lyre and the lute,
with the murmuring sound of the harp.

Psalm 92 : 1-4

Come, bless the Lord,
all ye servants of the Lord*
you that by night
stand in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands towards the sanctuary*
and bless the Lord.

The Lord who made heaven and earth*
give you blessing out of Zion

Psalm 134

**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

Then the angel showed me the river of life-giving water, sparkling like crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb

“I Jesus, sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the root and offspring of David, the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come”, let the hearer say, “Come”, Let the one who thirsts come forward, and the one who wants it receive the gift of life-giving water.

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all.

Rev. 22: 1, 16-17, 21

Responsory

Father, bless the work that is done,
and the work that is to be.

Father bless the servant that I am,
and the servant that I will be.

**Thou Lord and God of power,
shield and sustain us 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...

Collect for S. George

Proclaiming your glory, Lord,
we humbly ask that as S. George imitated
Christ in his passion,
so he may be a ready helper in our weakness.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Collect for Eastertide

God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ

Amen

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)

**Alleluia! The Lord is risen, alleluia,
as he promised to you, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**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**

**Alleluia! The Lord is risen, alleluia,
as he promised to you, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Blessing and departure

**We will lie down this night
and God will lie down us;**

**We will lie down this night with Christ;
and Christ will lie down with us;**

**We will lie down this night
with the Spirit;
And the Spirit will lie down with us;
O God, Christ, Spirit
Be lying down with us.**

The peace of God be over us to shelter us,
under us to uphold us,
about us to protect us,
behind us to direct us,
ever with us to save us.

**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.**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Amen

Goodnight