



Evening Prayer
in
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We gather today on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabe Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

7:00 PM, EVENING PRAYER

The Penitential Rite

The officiant may read one or more of the following sentences of scripture, or an opening sentence proper to the day.

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

Isaiah 55.6, 7

Stay with us, Lord, for evening draws on, and the day is almost over. *Luke 24.29*

Seek him who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning, and darkens the day into night; who calls for the waters of the sea, and pours them out upon the surface of the earth: the Lord is his name. *Amos 5.8*

The officiant says to the people,

Dear friends in Christ,
as we prepare to worship almighty God,
let us with penitent and obedient hearts
confess our sins,
that we may obtain forgiveness
by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence is kept.

The officiant and people say together,

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**



**have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The priest says,

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

The Invitatory

Officiant

O Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly;

People

Hear my voice when I cry to you.

Officiant

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense,

People

The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

All

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

Psalm 134

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

Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the Lord; *
the Lord who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

Thanksgiving

A deacon, or other assistant, or the officiant says,

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God,
the shepherd of Israel,
their pillar of cloud by day,
their pillar of fire by night.



In these forty days you lead us
into the desert of repentance
that in this pilgrimage of prayer
we might learn to be your people once more.
In fasting and service
you bring us back to your heart.
You open our eyes to your presence in the world
and you free our hands to lead others
to the radiant splendour of your mercy.
Be with us in these journey days
for without you we are lost and will perish.
To you alone be dominion and glory,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 94

The Lord has become my stronghold.

Fr Julian: O Lord God of vengeance, O God of vengeance,
show yourself. Rise up, O Judge of the world; give the
arrogant their just deserts.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Janis: How long shall the wicked, O Lord, how long shall the
wicked triumph? They bluster in their insolence; all
evildoers are full of boasting.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Fr Julian: They murder the widow and the stranger and put the
orphans to death. Yet they say, "The Lord does not see,
the God of Jacob takes no notice."

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Janis: Consider well, you dullards among the people; when
will you fools understand? He that planted the ear, does
he not hear? he that formed the eye, does he not see?

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.



Fr Julian: He who admonishes the nations, will he not punish?
he who teaches all the world, has he no knowledge?
The Lord knows our human thoughts; how like a puff
of wind they are.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Janis: Happy are they whom you instruct, O Lord! whom you
teach out of your law; To give them rest in evil days,
until a pit is dug for the wicked.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Fr Julian: For the Lord will not abandon his people, nor will he
forsake his own. For judgement will again be just, and
all the true of heart will follow it.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Janis: Who rose up for me against the wicked? who took my
part against the evildoers? If the Lord had not come to
my help, I should soon have dwelt in the land of
silence.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Fr Julian: As often as I said, "My foot has slipped," your love,
O Lord, upheld me. When many cares fill my mind,
your consolations cheer my soul.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Janis: Can a corrupt tribunal have any part with you, one
which frames evil into law? They conspire against the
life of the just and condemn the innocent to death.

All: The Lord has become my stronghold.

Fr Julian: But the Lord has become my stronghold, and my
God the rock of my trust. He will turn their wickedness
back upon them and destroy them in their own malice;
the Lord our God will destroy them.



Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John *JOHN 12:20-26*

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew, then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Reflection: Michael Perkin

The Apostles’ Creed

The celebrant may invite the people, in these or similar words, to join in the recitation of the creed.

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism,
as we say,

All **I believe in God**

**the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.



**On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son, you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. May our lives be so transformed by his passion that we may witness to his grace; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All

**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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**



The Dismissal

Celebrant Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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