



Messiah
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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EVENING PRAYER

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Gather around a sacred space in your home.
Have an unlit candle and lighter or matches handy.

"One" means one person of those gathered says the line. It can be different each time.

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DIALOGUE

As the dialogue is said, light your candle.

One: Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

We are illumined by the brightness of his rising.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Death has no more dominion over us.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

EVENING HYMN

ALL PRAISE TO THEE MY GOD THIS NIGHT

Sing or read the Evening Hymn with UCC

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five lines of music, each corresponding to a line of the hymn text. The second system contains three lines of music, corresponding to the final lines of the hymn text. The lyrics are printed below the staves. The score is marked with a 1* above the first line of the first system, indicating a canon.

1* 2 3 4

1 All praise to thee, my God, this night for all the bless-ings of the light.
2 For - give me, Lord, for thy dear Son, the ill that I this day have done;
3 Teach me to live, that I may dread the grave as lit - tle as my bed.
4 Oh, may my soul in thee re - pose, and may sweet sleep mine eye-lids close,
5 Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be - low;

Keep me, oh, keep me, King of kings, be - neath thine own al - might - y wings.
that with the world, my - self, and thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
Teach me to die, that so I may rise glo - rious at the awe - some day.
sleep that shall me more vig - rous make to serve my God when I a - wake!
praise God a - bove, ye heav' n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

* May be sung in canon.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.
Music: TALLIS' CANON, Thomas Tallis, 1505–1585

¹When Moses had finished speaking all these words to all Israel, ²he said to them: "I am now one hundred twenty years old. I am no longer able to get about, and the LORD has told me, 'You shall not cross over this Jordan.' ³The LORD your God himself will cross over before you. He will destroy these nations before you, and you shall dispossess them. Joshua also will cross over before you, as the LORD promised. ⁴The LORD will do to them as he did to Sihon and Og, the kings of the Amorites, and to their land, when he destroyed them. ⁵The LORD will give them over to you and you shall deal with them in full accord with the command that I have given to you. ⁶Be strong and bold; have no fear or dread of them, because it is the LORD your God who goes with you; he will not fail you or forsake you."

⁷Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel: "Be strong and bold, for you are the one who will go with this people into the land that the LORD has sworn to their ancestors to give them; and you will put them in possession of it. ⁸It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed."

⁹Then Moses wrote down this law, and gave it to the priests, the sons of Levi, who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and to all the elders of Israel. ¹⁰Moses commanded them: "Every seventh year, in the scheduled year of remission, during the festival of booths, ¹¹when all Israel comes to appear before the LORD your God at the place that he will choose, you shall read this law before all Israel in their hearing. ¹²Assemble the people — men, women, and children, as well as the aliens residing in your towns — so that they may hear and learn to fear the LORD your God and to observe diligently all the words of this law, ¹³and so that their children, who have not known it, may hear and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as you live in the land that you are crossing over the Jordan to possess."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Silence for reflection.

PSALM

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Read the psalm aloud, in unison or responsively.

¹The LORD is king, he is robed in majesty;
the LORD is robed, he is girded with strength.
He has established the world; it shall never be moved;
²your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.
³The floods have lifted up, O LORD,
the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their roaring.
⁴More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,
more majestic than the waves of the sea,
majestic on high is the LORD!
⁵Your decrees are very sure;
holiness befits your house,
O LORD, forevermore.

Silence for reflection.

GOSPEL

JOHN 16:16-24

¹⁶A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me. ¹⁷Then some of his disciples said to one another, "What does he mean by saying to us, 'A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and 'Because I am going to the Father'?" ¹⁸They said, "What does he mean by this 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Are you discussing among yourselves what I meant when I said, 'A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'?" ²⁰Very truly, I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your pain will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is in labor, she has pain, because her hour has come. But when her child is born, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy of having brought a human being into the world. ²²So you have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. ²³On that day you will ask nothing of me. Very truly, I tell you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete.

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HYMN

JOYS ARE FLOWING LIKE A RIVER

Sing or read aloud the hymn with Craig and CarolAnn Miller (verses 1, 3, and 5).



1 Joys are flow-ing like a riv - er since the Com - fort - er has come;
 2 Bring-ing life and health and glad - ness all a - round, this heav'n - ly guest
 3 Like the rain that falls from heav - en, like the sun - light from the sky,
 4 See, a fruit - ful field is grow-ing, bless - ed fruit of right-teous-ness;
 5 What a won - der - ful sal - va - tion, where we al - ways see his face!



he a - bides with us for - ev - er, makes the trust-ing heart his home.
 ban - ished un - be - lief and sad-ness, chang'd our wea - ri - ness to rest.
 so the Ho - ly Ghost is giv - en, com - ing on us from on high.
 and the streams of life are flow - ing in the lone - ly wil - der - ness.
 What a per - fect hab - i - ta - tion, what a qui - et rest - ing place!



Refrain



Bless - ed qui - et - ness, ho - ly qui - et - ness—what as - sur - ance in my soul!



On the storm-y sea he speaks peace to me—how the bil - lows cease to roll!



PRAYERS

If you are praying without the video, consider changing the leader each petition.

One: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world,
for the well-being of the church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the health of the creation,
for abundant harvests that all may share,
and for peaceful times,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For public servants, the government,
and those who protect us;
for those who work to bring peace, justice, healing,
and protection in this and every place,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel,
for those who are sick and suffering,
and for those who are in captivity,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance in the time of affliction, wrath, danger,
and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all servants of the church, for this assembly,
and for all people who await from the Lord great
and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

A time of silence follows.

Giving thanks for all who have gone before us
and are at rest, rejoicing in the communion of all the
saints, we commend ourselves, one another,
and our whole life to you, through Christ our Lord.
To you, O Lord.

Then one or more of the following:

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of
which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet
untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go
out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but
only that your hand is leading us and your love
supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

OR

O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good
counsels, and all just works: give to us, your servants,
that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts
may be set to obey your commandments; and also that
we, being defended from the fear of our enemies,
may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ
our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, God forever.
Amen.

OR

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus
Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected
us today. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where
we have done wrong, and graciously to protect us
tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves:
our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours.
Let your holy angels be with us,
so that the wicked foe may have no power over us.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

One: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Almighty God, the Father, ✠ the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
Amen.

All may share a sign of God's peace.

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