

United Benefice of
Sissinghurst with
Frittenden

**Night Prayer
(Compline)**

Tuesday
8th September



Preparation

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

Amen.

Our help is in the name of the Lord
who made heaven and earth.

*We pause and reflect on the past day
in the presence of our merciful Father...*

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours
as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

**Glory 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.
Amen.**

**1 Here is love, vast as the ocean,
loving-kindness as the flood,
when the Prince of Life, our Ransom,
shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
throughout heav'n's eternal days.**

**2 On the mount of crucifixion
fountains opened deep and wide;
through the floodgates of God's mercy
flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,
poured incessant from above,
and heav'n's peace and perfect justice
kissed a guilty world in love.**

[Music: The Hymn Makers: St. Michael's Singers]

Psalm 119 The Word of God

- ¹⁷ Be good to your servant while I live,
that I may obey your word.
¹⁸ **Open my eyes that I may see
wonderful things in your law.**
¹⁹ I am a stranger on earth;
do not hide your commands from me.
²⁰ **My soul is consumed with longing
for your laws at all times.**
²¹ You rebuke the arrogant,
who are accursed,
those who stray from your commands.
²² **Remove from me scorn and contempt,
for I keep your statutes.**
²³ Though rulers sit together and slander me,
your servant will meditate on your decrees.
²⁴ **Your statutes are my delight;
they are my counsellors.**

**Glory 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. Amen.**

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 1

¹ Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,
To God's elect, exiles, scattered throughout
the provinces... ²who have been chosen
according to the foreknowledge of God the
Father, through the sanctifying work of the
Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and
sprinkled with his blood:

Grace and peace be yours in abundance.

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given
us new birth into a living hope through the
resurrection of Jesus Christ from the
dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that can never
perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept
in heaven for you, ⁵who through faith are
shielded by God's power until the coming of

the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

Into your hands, O Lord,
I commend my spirit.
**Into your hands, O Lord,
I commend my spirit.**
For you have redeemed me,
Lord God of truth.
I commend my spirit.
Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.
**Into your hands, O Lord,
I commend my spirit.**

Keep me as the apple of your eye.
Hide me under the shadow of your wings

Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon) Lk 2.29-32

**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 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. 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.**

Prayers

Intercessions, thanksgivings...

The Collect

Visit this place, O Lord, we pray,
and drive far from it the snares of the enemy;
may your holy angels dwell with us
and guard us in peace,
and may your blessing be always upon us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen**



The Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;
**for you alone, Lord,
make us dwell in safety.**
Abide with us, Lord Jesus,
**for the night is at hand
and the day is now past.**
As the night watch looks for the morning
so do we look for you, O Christ.

The Lord bless us and watch over us;
the Lord make his face shine upon us
and be gracious to us;
the Lord look kindly on us
and give us peace.
Amen.

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