

United Benefice of
Sissinghurst with
Frittenden

**Night Prayer
(Compline)**

Tuesday
15th 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 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to thy God to order and provide;
in ev'ry change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heav'nly
Friend
thro' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

2 Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,
and all is darkened in the veil of tears,
then shalt thou better know His love, His heart,
who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice, who ruled them while He dwelt below.

3 Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are
past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

[Music - Eternal: The Best of Libera]

Psalm 119 The Word of God

⁴¹ May your unfailing love come to me, Lord,
your salvation, according to your promise;
⁴² **then I can answer anyone who taunts
me, for I trust in your word.**
⁴³ Never take your word of truth from my
mouth, for I have put my hope in your laws.
⁴⁴ **I will always obey your law,
for ever and ever.**
⁴⁵ I will walk about in freedom,
for I have sought out your precepts.
⁴⁶ **I will speak of your statutes before
kings, and will not be put to shame,**
⁴⁷ for I delight in your commands
because I love them.
⁴⁸ **I reach out for your commands, which I
love, that I may meditate on your decrees.
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 Romans 8

¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are
the children of God. ¹⁵ The Spirit you received
does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear
again; rather, the Spirit you received brought
about your adoption to sonship. And by him we
cry, 'Abba, Father.' ¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies
with our spirit that we are God's children. ¹⁷ Now if
we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God
and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his

sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

¹⁸I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

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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