

Evening Prayer: Rite Two

FOR ORDINARY TIME 2024

(The Season after Pentecost)

Psalm 96:9

Officiant Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
let the whole earth stand in awe.

Officiant God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Officiant You are in the midst of us, O Lord;
People **and we are called by your name.**

CONFESSION OF SIN DPAS p. 54

Officiant Holy One, we encounter you in our lives
and try to follow faithfully,

People **but so often we get lost or turn away.**

Officiant We try to love our neighbors and
ourselves,

People **and even, by your grace, to love our
enemies, but we fail.**

Officiant We take the wrong path and stray from
the way of your love.

People **Forgive us, Lord, and guide us back to
you.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**We turn to you, God of Love, / and we accept your
grace. / We accept your pardon. / We accept the
gift of a new path, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER BCP p. 117

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People 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
will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

O GRACIOUS LIGHT *Phos hilaron* BCP p. 118

**O gracious light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!**

**Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

**You are worthy at all times to be praised
by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of Life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.**

PSALM (*see insert or slides*)

FIRST READING (*see insert or slides*)

One of the following Canticles is read.

CANTICLE 15: *The Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55)* BCP p. 119

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *

**for you Lord have looked with favor on your
lowly servant.**

From this day all generations will call me blessed: *

**You O Most Mighty have done great things for me,
and holy is your Name.**

Your have mercy on those who fear you *

in every generation.

You have shown the strength of your arm, *

you have scattered the proud in their conceit.

You have cast down the mighty from their thrones, *

and have lifted up the lowly.

You have filled the hungry with good things, *

and the rich you have sent away empty.

You have come to the help of your servant Israel, *

for you have remembered your promise of mercy,

The promise you made to our forebears, *

to Abraham and his children for ever.

**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.**

CANTICLE 17: *The Song of Simeon (Luke 2:29-32)* p. 120

Lord, you now have set your servant free *

to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *

whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

A Light to enlighten the nations, *

and the glory of your people Israel.

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be for ever. Amen.**

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SECOND READING (*see insert or slides*)

SAINT(S) OF THE DAY (*see insert or slides*)

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

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

SUFFRAGES A

BCP pp. 121-122

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. **And grant us your salvation.**
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. **And sustain us by your Holy Spirit.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY *and one or more Collects*

A Collect for Evening BCP p. 161
Gracious God, support us all the day long, until the
shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the
busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and
our work is done. Then in your mercy, grant us a safe
lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Life in God RCLP
Creating God, your reign of love makes all things new:
Plant seeds of confidence and gladness in our hearts,
so that, trusting your word, we may live no longer for
ourselves but for him who died and was raised for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Guidance BCP p. 832
Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most
gracious favor, and further us with your continual help;
that in all our works begun, continued, and ended
in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally,
by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Or a prayer for mission from BCP p. 124
Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch,
or weep this night, and give your angels charge over
those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to
the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the
afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's
sake. **Amen.**

Intercessions and thanksgivings follow.

THE PROLOGUE OF JOHN: John 1:1–5, 10–14, 16

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
He was in the beginning with God.
All things came into being through him,
and without him not one thing came into being.
What has come into being in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people.
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it.
He was in the world, and the world came into being
through him;
yet the world did not know him.
He came to what was his own,
and his own people did not receive him.
But to all who received him, who believed in his name,
he gave power to become children of God.
They were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh:
nor of any human will, but of God.
And the Word became flesh
and lived among us, full of grace and truth.
We have seen his glory,
the glory as of a father's only son.
From his fullness we have all received,
grace upon grace.

DISMISSAL AND GRACE

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant concludes with one of the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of
God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us
all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in
believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
Romans 15:13

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do
infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to
God from generation to generation in the Church, and
in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Eph. 3:20, 21*