

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Order for Compline Wednesday, October 21, 2020 7:45 pm

Welcome

Greetings, Friends and Neighbors of St. Timothy's. Thank you for joining us for our worship service.

Opening Sentence

The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. Amen.

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord *People* The maker of heaven and earth

The Officiant Let us confess our sins to God. (Silence may be kept.)

Officiant and People

Almighty God, our heavenly Father: We have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all our offenses and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

A reading from Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9

God laid out these rules for treating each other well and living a good life.

"Don't forget this: I am your God, the one who brought you out of Egypt where you were slaves. Don't use my name for anything but praise and prayer. I deserve your respect and so does my name. I made the Sabbath day so you could rest. Keep the Sabbath day holy and for me. Honor your parents who raised you. Do not commit murder or be unfaithful to those you love. Don't lie. Don't figure out how to get things that belong to your neighbor. Be happy with what you have."

Moses was on the mountaintop talking to God. The people were below, and they saw the thunder and lightning and smoke coming from the mountain, and they heard the trumpet sound. They told Moses they were glad he was talking to God, but they didn't want to talk to God themselves. And they were scared to death. "You don't need to be afraid," said Moses. "God wants you to listen and follow the right path. I'll talk to him for you."

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

God, you've been our help from way back: my great-grandparents, my grandparents, and my mom and dad.

Before the mountains were formed, before the earth was created, you were God.

You made us from dust and that's where we will return.

May God be gracious to us and bless all that we are and all that we do.

We are children of the dirt. A thousand years are nothing to you! They go by like a couple of hours. We are like a dream or a thought that fades during the day. We wither like the grass. In the morning we grow strong and tall, and by suppertime, we're all dried up. **May God be gracious to us and bless all that we are and all that we do.**

Be kind to us, God.

Don't take too long to come to us.

We need your kindness first thing in the morning so we can be happy all day long.

Make us glad for the same amount of time that we had troubles.

Show us your goodness, God and we'll pass it along.

May God be gracious to us and bless all that we are and all that we do.

People

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.

Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had bested the Sadducees, they sent a lawyer to ask Jesus this question: "Teacher, which commandment is the greatest one of all?" Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your soul and with all your heart and with all your mind. That is the first commandment and the greatest one there is. And there's another that goes along with it, love your neighbor as yourself. All the other commandments are built on these."

Then Jesus asked them a question: "So, what do you think about the Messiah? Whose son, is he?" They said, "He's the son of David." Jesus said, "How can David call him Lord if he's David's son, like it says in the scriptures?" No one was able to give him an answer. After that they didn't bother to ask Jesus any more questions.

- V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
- R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.
- V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye.
- R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.

Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

OfficiantLord, hear our prayerPeopleAnd let our cry come to you.

Officiant

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep, and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A moment of silence may be kept.

Then time to speak, out loud, free intercessions and thanksgivings.

Officiant and People

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

Song of Simeon 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. 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.

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

OfficiantLet us bless the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

The Officiant concludes The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. **Amen.**