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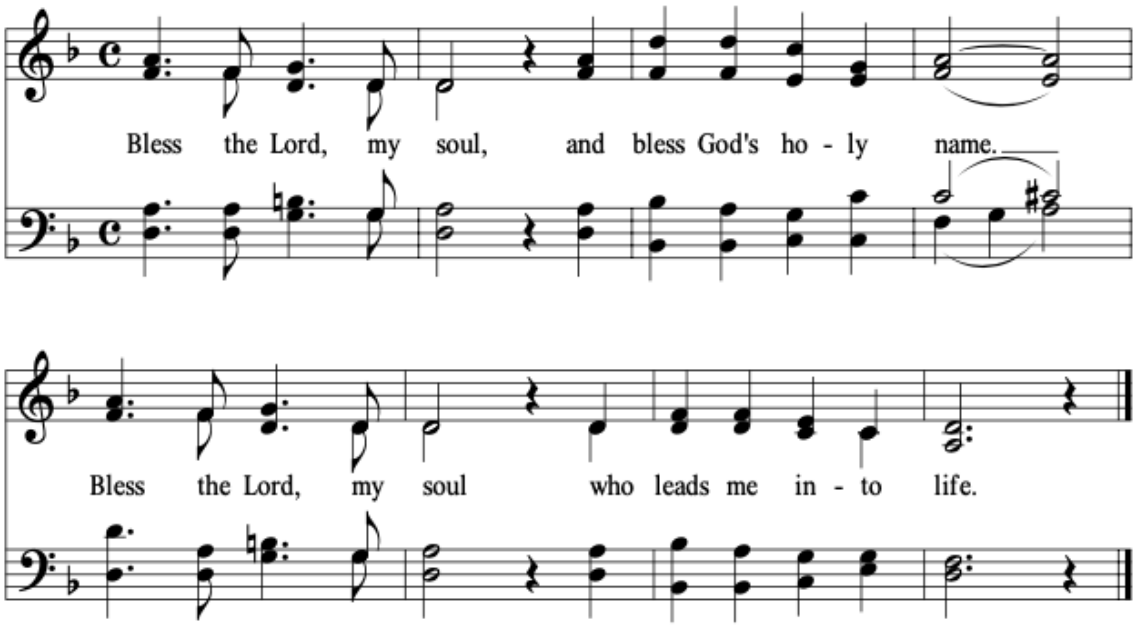
COMPLINE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2026

8:00PM

OPENING SONG — Bless the Lord

Several of our pieces of music are in the repeated chant style of the ecumenical community in Taize, France; the song is repeated in a meditative way several times.



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The Officiant begins

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 CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant then says

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.

The Officiant then says
May the Almighty God grant you forgiveness of all your sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

The Officiant then says
O God, make speed to save us.
People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Officiant and 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. Alleluia.

THE PSALM — PSALM 31

Read together

1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame: *
deliver me in your righteousness.
2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.
3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.
5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O LORD, O God of truth.

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.

THE READING — LUKE 6:17-31

A reading from the Gospel of Luke.
He came down with them and stood on a level place with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases, and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And everyone in the crowd was trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets. "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets. "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**

A Litany for use during an election campaign

Lord of every time and place, God of integrity and truth, we pray for wisdom as we prepare to vote in tomorrow's election.

Let us give thanks to God, saying, "We thank you, Lord."

For this land and the diversity of its people, **we thank you, Lord.**

For all who work for peace and justice in this land, **we thank you, Lord.**

For leaders who serve the common good, **we thank you, Lord.**

For robust democracy and freedom to participate in public life, **we thank you, Lord.**

For media scrutiny and open debate, **we thank you, Lord.**

Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Hear us, good Lord."

Bless those who administer the electoral process, that they may uphold fairness, honesty and truth. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Impart your wisdom to all who propose policy, that their promises may serve those in greatest need. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Give integrity to political leaders, candidates and campaign workers, and keep them from deceit and corruption. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Protect all engaged in public life, with their families, friends and colleagues, that nothing may demean or do them harm. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Direct those who influence opinion through the media, that we may listen, speak and vote with sound minds. **Hear us, good Lord.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer
Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States, this Commonwealth and this community in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected, and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Then follows
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.

All pray together
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.

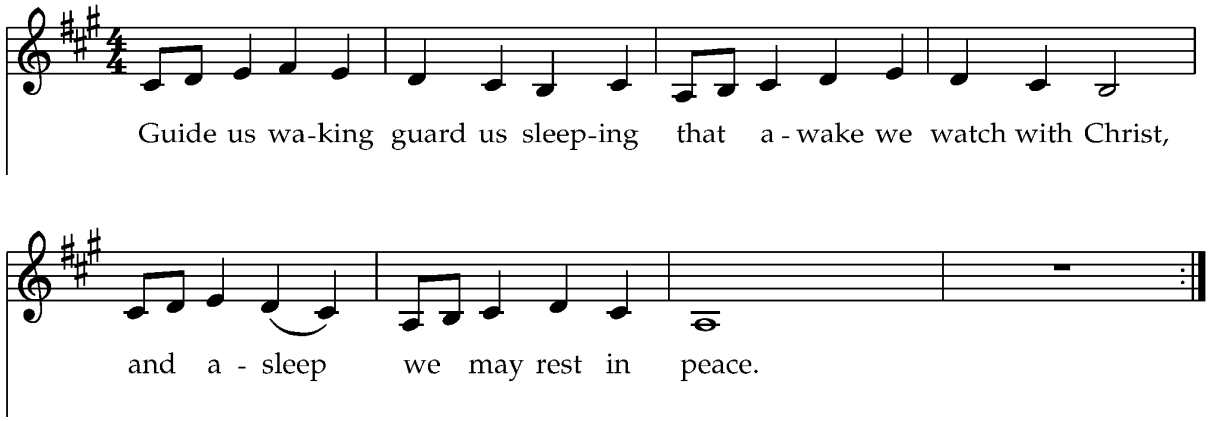
Officiant Lord, hear our prayer;
People **And let our cry come to you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

The Officiant then says the following Collects

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.*

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.*

The service concludes with the Song of Simeon with this Antiphon, which is sung by all



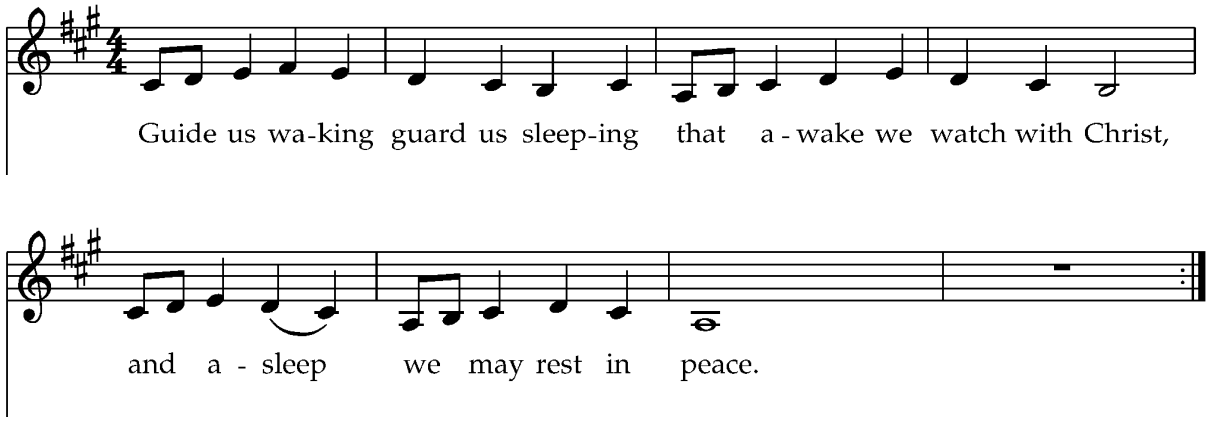
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All say together

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.

All repeat the Sung Antiphon
The service concludes with the Song of Simeon with this Antiphon, which is sung by all



BLESSING
Officiant
Lord, keep us in the spirit of the beatitudes: joyful, simple merciful. May your blessing be on this your family, on all of your people in this city and throughout the world in the name of God. **Amen**.

CLOSING HYMN
Let There Be Peace On Earth
(Music on back page)

DISMISSAL

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

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