

Daily Evening Prayer: Rite Two

This liturgy will be used for the entire month of September.

The Officiant begins the service with one or more of the following sentences of Scripture.

BCP, page 115

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Psalm 141:2

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:2

Worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him. Psalm 96:9

Yours is the day, O God, yours also the night; you established the moon and the sun. You fixed all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter. Psalm 74:15,16

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall. Psalm 16:7,8

Seek him who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning, and darkens the day into night; who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out upon the surface of the earth: The Lord is his name. Amos 5:8

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night," darkness is not dark to you, O Lord; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike. Psalm 139:10,11

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12

Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 116

Officiant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together

***Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

The Priest alone stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People ***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.

The following, or some other suitable hymn, or an Invitatory Psalm, may be sung or said.

O Gracious Light *Phos hilaron*

BCP, p. 118

*Officiant and People: 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.*

Then follows The Psalm or Psalms Appointed

September 2: 119:25-38 (BCP, p. 765),

September 9: 49 (BCP, p. 652), 53 (BCP, p. 658)

September 16, Fall Ember Day: 119:73-96 (BCP, p. 769)

September 23: 81 (BCP, p. 704), 82 (BCP, p. 705)

September 30: 119:121-144 (BCP, p. 773)

At the end of the Psalms is sung or said

*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.*

The First Lesson

September 2: Job 12:1; 14:1-22

September 9: Job 29:1; 30:1-2, 16-31

September 16, Fall Ember Day: Job 42:1-17

September 23: Esther 6:1-14

September 30: Hosea 4:11-19

After each Lesson the Reader says

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may be kept after each Reading.

The Third Song of Isaiah Surge, illuminare

BCP, p. 87

Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19

Arise, shine, for your light has come, *
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land; *
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise, *
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light, *
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open; *
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord, *
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land, *
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation, *
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day; *
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light, *
and your God will be your glory.
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 Second Lesson

September 2: John 8:47-59

September 9: John 11:1-16

September 16, Fall Ember Day: John 12:20-26

September 23: Luke 4:1-13

September 30: Luke 5:27-39

After the Lesson the Reader says

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Silence may be kept after each Reading.

The Song of Simeon *Nunc Dimittis*
Luke 2:29-32

BCP, 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.
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.*

Just a few thoughts...

The Apostles' Creed

BCP, p. 120

*Officiant and People together, all standing
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

The Prayers

The People stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

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.

Then follows one of these sets of Suffrages

Suffrages A

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.*

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Suffrages B

BCP, p. 122

Officiant: That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,

*People: **We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

*People: **We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

*People: **We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,

*People: **We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

*People: **We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

*People: **We entreat you, O Lord.***

The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects

The Collect of the Day

September 2: Proper 17 (BCP, p. 233)

September 9: Proper 18 (BCP, p. 233)

September 16, Fall Ember Day: Proper 19 (BCP, p. 233) Ember Day (BCP, p. 256)

September 23: Proper 20 (BCP, p. 234)

September 30: Proper 21 (BCP, p. 234)

A Collect for Peace

BCP, p. 123

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgements, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior.

*People **Amen.***

A Collect for the Presence of Christ

BCP, p. 124

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love.

People **Amen.**

One of these prayers for mission is added

BCP, p. 124

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

or this

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.

People **Amen.**

or the following

BCP, p. 125

O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.

Our Parish Prayer List

A Prayer for Social Justice

BCP, p. 823

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Before the close of the Office one or both of the following may be used

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

BCP, p. 125

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

BCP, p. 126

*Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make
our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-
beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will
be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may
be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age
to come life everlasting. Amen.*

Then may be said

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant may then conclude 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.

*People **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.

*People **Amen.***

Romans 15:13

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

*People **Amen.***

Ephesians 3:20,21