

Evening Prayer

11th August, 2022.

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Psalm 91

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides under the shadow of the Almighty,

Shall say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my stronghold, my God, in whom I put my trust.'

For he shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.

He shall cover you with his wings and you shall be safe under his feathers; his faithfulness shall be your shield and buckler.

You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day; **of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor of the sickness that destroys at noonday.**

Though a thousand fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand, yet it shall not come near you.

You eyes have only to behold to see the reward of the wicked.

Because you have made the Lord your refuge and the Most High your stronghold,

There shall no evil happen to you, neither shall any plague come near your tent.

For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.

Because they have set their love upon me, therefore will I deliver them; I will lift them up, because they know my name.

They will call upon me and I will answer them; I am with them in trouble, I will deliver them and bring them to honour.

With long life will I satisfy them and show them my salvation.

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.

Opening prayer

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind.

As our evening prayer rises like incense before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever.

St. Matthew 10:1-15

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother

John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

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Anthem

Give us the wings of faith to rise within
the veil, and see the saints above,
how great their joys, how bright their
glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came;
they, with united breath,

ascribe their conquest to the Lamb,
their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,
his zeal inspired their quest, and
following their incarnate God,
they reaches the promised rest.

Our glorious Leader claims our praise
for his own pattern given; while the long
cloud of witnesses show the same path to
heaven.

Ernest Bullock, words by Isaac Watts

Prayers of intercession

Prayers may be offered:

for peace

for places of conflict

for individuals & their needs

for the mission of the Church worldwide

*for all who work in food production and
conservation*

for all who work in education

*for those who mourn the loss of a loved
one, or the loss of a way of life*

*for the work of aid agencies throughout
the world*

*for those living in poverty or under
oppression*

**Eternal Lord, our beginning and our
end: bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past
ages and made known in Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.**

The Conclusion

**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.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.