



A candle may be lit

O God make speed to save us
O Lord make haste to help us

A prayer of Thanksgiving follows: then:
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God forever

Come bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, you that by night stand in the house of the Lord. Lift up your hands towards the sanctuary and bless the Lord. The Lord who made heaven and earth give you blessing out of Zion.

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 Ps 134

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

May everything I think, everything I say and everything I do this night, be thoughts, words and actions that float on the breath of your spirit my God.

A period of silence for reflection on the day that has past

Father, we come to you as the afternoon draws to a close to thank you for the progress of this day: for all that we have seen of you in this day, for this is the day that You have made and we rejoice and are truly glad because of it. For all human contact, face to face, over the phone or by electronic means; for encouragement for new insights and for seeing more of You in creation, we thank you. But we are mindful of how we have not lived this day in faith and to your glory and so trusting in the work of your son Jesus Christ who died for us upon the cross, we confess our sins:

A time of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess to you before the whole company of heaven and one another that we have sinned in thought, word and deed and in what we have failed to do. Forgive us our sins, heal us by your Spirit and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen

Absolution

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Scripture Readings:

A time of Reflection

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, **the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, 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, He is seated at the right hand of the father, and he will come 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.

Some music or a time of silence may follow.

A time of Prayer / intercession begins with:

Everything I have received has come from you. Everything for which I hope, will derive from your love. Everything I enjoy is from your goodness.

Blessed be God forever.

Prayers are led by the service leader



The Lord's Prayer



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O High King of Heaven, have mercy on our land. Revive your church. Send the Holy Spirit for the sake of the lost, the least and the broken. May your Kingdom come to our nation. In Jesus' mighty name. Amen

Almighty God, we acknowledge that you are woven into our day, our evening and our night. Bless us and all those we meet. Bless our relaxation time. Bless us with your great gift of sleep. We bless the Lord who gives us counsel in the night*; We open ourselves to you this night to give us dreams, to give us visions, to refresh us and to strengthen us.

* Psalm 16:7

Lord, wherever spiritual, physical or emotional darkness touches me, I trust you to lighten it.

I believe and trust in you

Nunc Dimitis

Lord, now let your servant depart in peace, according to your word. For mine eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared before the face of all people.

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father Amen Lk.2:29

Lighten our darkness Lord we pray and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of your only son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

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May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore. Amen