

¶ Evening Prayer on Monday

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Wilson Carlile, Founder of the Church Army, 1942 [Commemoration]

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

AllO Lord, make haste to help us.

[The Blessing of Light \(page 110\)](#) may replace the Preparation at Evening Prayer on any occasion.

One or more of the following is said or sung:

A prayer of thanksgiving (page 110),

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of day and night:

to you be praise and glory for ever.

As darkness falls you renew your promise

to reveal among us the light of your presence.

By the light of Christ, your living Word,

dispel the darkness of our hearts

that we may walk as children of light

and sing your praise throughout the world.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

AllBlessed be God for ever.

or a suitable hymn,

or A Song of God's Greatness

1Bless the Lord, O my soul. □

O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!

2You are clothed with majesty and honour, □

wrapped in light as in a garment.

3The sun knows the time for its setting. □

You make darkness that it may be night.

4O Lord, how manifold are your works! □

In wisdom you have made them all;

the earth is full of your creatures.

5When you send forth your spirit, they are created, □

and you renew the face of the earth.

6May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; □

may the Lord rejoice in his works;

7I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; □

I will make music to my God while I have my being.

Psalm 104.1, 2, 21b ,22a, 26, 32, 33, 35

AllGlory 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.

This opening prayer may be said

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,

let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises 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.

AllAmen.

The Word of God

Psalmody

The appointed psalmody is said.

Psalm 26

Refrain: Lord, I love the place where your glory abides.

1 Give judgement for me, O Lord,
for I have walked with integrity; □
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; □
examine my heart and my mind.

3 For your love is before my eyes; □
I have walked in your truth.

4 I have not joined the company of the false, □
nor consorted with the deceitful. R

5 I hate the gathering of evildoers □
and I will not sit down with the wicked.

6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, □
that I may go about your altar,

7 To make heard the voice of thanksgiving □
and tell of all your wonderful deeds.

8 Lord, I love the house of your habitation □
and the place where your glory abides. R

9 Sweep me not away with sinners, □
nor my life with the bloodthirsty,

10 Whose hands are full of wicked schemes □
and their right hand full of bribes.

11 As for me, I will walk with integrity; □
redeem me, Lord, and be merciful to me.

12 My foot stands firm; □
in the great congregation I will bless the Lord.

Refrain: Lord, I love the place where your glory abides.

Have mercy on us and redeem us, O Lord,
for our merits are your mercies
and in your judgement is our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 28

Refrain: The Lord is my strength and my shield.

1 To you I call, O Lord my rock;
be not deaf to my cry, □
lest, if you do not hear me,
I become like those who go down to the Pit.

2 Hear the voice of my prayer when I cry out to you, □
when I lift up my hands to your holy of holies. R

3 Do not snatch me away with the wicked,
with the evildoers, □
who speak peaceably with their neighbours,
while malice is in their hearts.

4 Repay them according to their deeds □
and according to the wickedness of their devices. R

5 Reward them according to the work of their hands □
and pay them their just deserts.

6 They take no heed of the Lord's doings,
nor of the works of his hands; □
therefore shall he break them down
and not build them up. R

7 Blessed be the Lord, □
for he has heard the voice of my prayer.

8 The Lord is my strength and my shield; □
my heart has trusted in him and I am helped;

9 Therefore my heart dances for joy ☐
and in my song will I praise him. R

10 The Lord is the strength of his people, ☐
a safe refuge for his anointed.

11 Save your people and bless your inheritance; ☐
shepherd them and carry them for ever.

Refrain: The Lord is my strength and my shield.

Hear us, Shepherd of your people,
forgive us our sins
and, in a world of pretences,
make us true in heart and mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 29

Refrain: The Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven, ☐
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; ☐
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; ☐
the Lord is upon the mighty waters. R

4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation; ☐
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; ☐
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf ☐
and Sirion like a young wild ox. R

7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; ☐

the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare; □
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'

9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood; □
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

10 The Lord shall give strength to his people; □
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Refrain: The Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Open our ears, glorious Lord Christ,
to hear the music of your voice
above the chaos of this world;
open our eyes to see the vision of your glory,
for you are our King, now and for ever.

Each psalm or group of psalms may end with

All 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.

If there are two Scripture readings, the first may be read here, or both may be read after the canticle.

Zechariah 10

Ask rain from the Lord
in the season of the spring rain,
from the Lord who makes the storm-clouds,
who gives showers of rain to you,
the vegetation in the field to everyone.

For the teraphim utter nonsense,
and the diviners see lies;
the dreamers tell false dreams,
and give empty consolation.

Therefore the people wander like sheep;
they suffer for lack of a shepherd.

My anger is hot against the shepherds,
and I will punish the leaders;
for the Lord of hosts cares for his flock, the house of Judah,
and will make them like his proud warhorse.

Out of them shall come the cornerstone,
out of them the tent-peg,
out of them the battle-bow,
out of them every commander.

Together they shall be like warriors in battle,
trampling the foe in the mud of the streets;
they shall fight, for the Lord is with them,
and they shall put to shame the riders on horses.

I will strengthen the house of Judah,
and I will save the house of Joseph.

I will bring them back because I have compassion on them,
and they shall be as though I had not rejected them;
for I am the Lord their God and I will answer them.

Then the people of Ephraim shall become like warriors,
and their hearts shall be glad as with wine.

Their children shall see it and rejoice,
their hearts shall exult in the Lord.

I will signal for them and gather them in,
for I have redeemed them,
and they shall be as numerous as they were before.

Though I scattered them among the nations,
yet in far countries they shall remember me,
and they shall rear their children and return.

I will bring them home from the land of Egypt,
and gather them from Assyria;

I will bring them to the land of Gilead and to Lebanon,
until there is no room for them.

They shall pass through the sea of distress,
and the waves of the sea shall be struck down,
and all the depths of the Nile dried up.

The pride of Assyria shall be laid low,
and the sceptre of Egypt shall depart.

I will make them strong in the Lord,
and they shall walk in his name,

says the Lord.

Canticle

A Song of God's Grace, or another suitable canticle, for example, [number 58 \(page 615\)](#), may be said

Refrain:

All The glorious grace of God
is freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

1 Blessed are you,
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ☩
for you have blest us in Christ Jesus
with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

2 You chose us to be yours in Christ
before the foundation of the world, ☩
that we should be holy and blameless before you.

3 In love you destined us for adoption as your children,
through Jesus Christ, ☩
according to the purpose of your will,

4 To the praise of your glorious grace, ☩
which you freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

5 In you, we have redemption
through the blood of Christ, ☩
the forgiveness of our sins,

6 According to the riches of your grace, ☩
which you have lavished upon us.

7You have made known to us, in all wisdom and insight, □
the mystery of your will,

8According to your purpose
which you set forth in Christ, □
as a plan for the fullness of time,

9To unite all things in Christ, □
things in heaven and things on earth.

Ephesians 1.3-10

AllGlory 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.

AllThe glorious grace of God
is freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

Scripture Reading

One or more readings appointed for the day are read.

The reading(s) may be followed by a time of silence.

Mark 11.1-11

When Jesus and his disciples were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately."' They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,
'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.
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A suitable song or chant, or a responsory in this or another form, may follow

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;

and be not wise in your own sight.

All Trust in the Lord with all your heart;

and be not wise in your own sight.

In all your ways acknowledge him

and he will make straight your paths.

All Trust in the Lord with all your heart.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

All Trust in the Lord with all your heart;

and be not wise in your own sight.

from Proverbs 3

Gospel Canticle

The Magnificat (The Song of Mary) is normally said,

or [A Song of the Blessed \(page 606\)](#) may be said

Refrain:

All My spirit rejoices in you, O God,

my soul proclaims your greatness.

1 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; ☩

he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.

2 From this day all generations will call me blessed; ☩

the Almighty has done great things for me

and holy is his name.

3 He has mercy on those who fear him, ☩

from generation to generation.

4 He has shown strength with his arm ☩

and has scattered the proud in their conceit,

5 Casting down the mighty from their thrones ☩

and lifting up the lowly.

6He has filled the hungry with good things □
and sent the rich away empty.

7He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, □
to remember his promise of mercy,

8The promise made to our ancestors, □
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Luke 1.46-55

AllGlory 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.

Refrain:

AllMy spirit rejoices in you, O God,
my soul proclaims your greatness.

Prayers

Thanksgiving may be made for the day.

Intercessions are offered

¶ for peace

¶ for individuals and their needs

Prayers may include the following concerns from the [cycle on pages 362–363](#)

¶ The media and the arts

¶ Farming and fishing

¶ Commerce and industry

¶ Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger

¶ All who are unemployed

One of the forms of prayer found [on pages 362–371](#) may be used.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer

(or)

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Silence may be kept.

The Collect of the day is said

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit

upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:

grant that your people may be fervent

in the fellowship of the gospel

that, always abiding in you,

they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

AllAmen.

The Lord's Prayer is said

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

AllOur Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours

now and for ever.

Amen.

(or)

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Conclusion

All 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.

All Thanks be to God.

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