

# Holy Trinity Scottish Episcopal Church Stirling



*Diego Velázquez (1599-1660), 'Kitchen Maid with the Supper at Emmaus', c.1617-1618, National Gallery of Ireland.*

AN ORDER OF NIGHT PRAYER

HOLY WEEK 2022

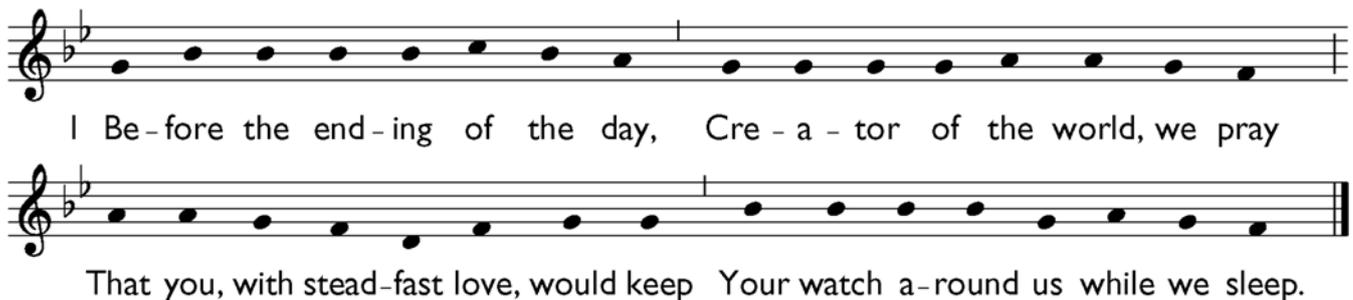


The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end. **Amen.**

O God, make speed to save us;  
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 shall be for ever. **Amen.**

#### HYMN



I Be-fore the end-ing of the day, Cre - a - tor of the world, we pray  
That you, with stead-fast love, would keep Your watch a-round us while we sleep.

- 2 From evil dreams defend our sight,  
From fears and terrors of the night;  
Tread underfoot our deadly foe  
That we no sinful thought may know.
- 3 O Father, that we ask be done  
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son;  
And Holy Spirit, by whose breath  
Our souls are raised to life from death.

#### PSALMODY Psalm 91

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,\*  
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the Lord,  
'You are my refuge and my stronghold,\*  
my God in whom I put my trust.'
- 3 He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter\*  
and from the deadly pestilence.
- 4 He shall cover you with his pinions,  
and you shall find refuge under his wings;\*  
his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.
- 5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night,\*  
nor of the arrow that flies by day:

- 6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness,\*  
nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.
- 7 A thousand shall fall at your side  
and ten thousand at your right hand.\*  
but it shall not come near you.
- 8 Your eyes have only to behold\*  
to see the reward of the wicked.
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge,\*  
and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you,\*  
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you,\*  
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands,\*  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder;\*  
you shall trample the young lion  
and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,  
therefore will I deliver him;\*  
I will protect him, because he knows my name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;\*  
I am with him in trouble;  
I will rescue him and bring him to honour.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him,\*  
and show him 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.**

## Psalm 22.29-31

- 29 To the Lord indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;\*  
before God shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.
- 30 Posterity will serve him;\*  
future generations will be told about the Lord,
- 31 and proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn,  
saying that the Lord has done it.

**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.**

## Psalm 134

- 1 Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,\*  
you that stand by night in the house of the Lord.
- 2 Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the Lord;\*  
the Lord who made heaven and earth bless you 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.**

## READING:

St Paul said: 'In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.'

(Galatians 3.26-28)

**Thanks be to God.**

## *Silence*

### **Response (Ps. 31.5)**

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

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For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

**I commend my spirit.**

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**Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

## Antiphon

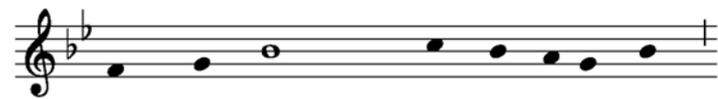


Save us, O Lord, while wak-ing, and guard us while sleep-ing,



that a-wake we may watch with Christ and a-sleep may rest in peace.

## Canticle



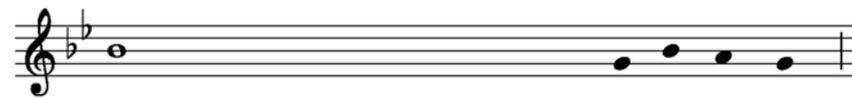
1 Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace:



your word has been ful-filled.



2 My own eyes have seen the sal-va-tion



which you have prepared in the sight of ev'-ry peo-ple;



3 A light to re-veal you to the na-tions



and the glory of your peo-ple Is-rael.

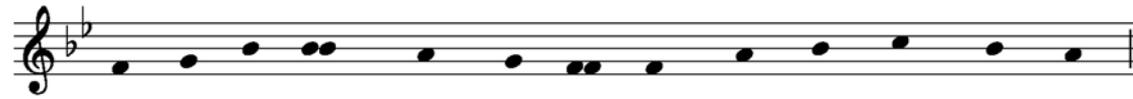


Glo-ry to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit;



as it was in the begin-ning is now and shall be for ev-er. A-men.

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## PRAYERS

Lord have mercy. **Christ have mercy.** Lord have mercy.

Our 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.  
Do not bring us to the time of trial  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

## COLLECTS:

*(One or more of the following collects are said)*

Visit this place, O Lord, we pray, and drive far from it the snares of the enemy; may your holy angels dwell with us and guard us in peace, and may your blessing be always upon us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, sustain the dying, calm the suffering, and pity the distressed; all for your love's sake, O Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.**

Look down, O God, from your heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with your celestial brightness, and from the children of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

## Conclusion

The Lord be with you; **and also with you.**

Let us bless the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

May the almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, bless and keep us.  
**Amen.**

## Holy Week & Easter at Holy Trinity

### **Wednesday of Holy Week**

#### **7.30 p.m. Stations of the Cross**

We walk the set of stations of the cross we have on our church walls, featuring readings and reflections on the Passion.

### **Maundy Thursday**

#### **7.30 p.m. Sung Eucharist & Watch**

We recall the Last Supper & the Washing of the Disciples Feet and watch with Christ in the Garden.

### **Good Friday**

#### **7.30 p.m. The Liturgy of Good Friday**

We hear the passion Gospel and meditate on the cross as we hear the Reproaches and pray the ancient solemn intercessions for Good Friday.

### **Holy Saturday**

#### **9 p.m. Easter Vigil**

We start with the Easter fire & Blessing of the Paschal Candle as we hear the story of salvation and journey from darkness to light. With the renewal of Baptismal Vows & the first Eucharist of Easter.

### **Easter Day**

#### **8.30 a.m. Holy Communion**

#### **10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist**