COMPLINE

A LATE EVENING SERVICE



Royal School of Church Music

SPRING FESTIVAL

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Compline

Compline is the final church service of the day in the Christian tradition of canonical hours, which are prayed at fixed times. The English word is derived from the Latin completorium, as Compline is the "completion" of the waking day. The word was first used in this sense about the beginning of the 6th century by St. Benedict in his Rule.

The basic structure of Compline is a simple introduction, a hymn, psalms and prayers, and a simple conclusion. Over time, other elements including the responsory In manus tuas ("Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit") and the Gospel canticle Nunc Dimittis were added; and at the end of the office, a seasonal antiphon to the Blessed Virgin Mary was sung.

In Anglican usage, when the Book of Common Prayer was compiled, Compline was combined with the preceding office of Vespers to form Evening Prayer. With the revival of religious orders in the Church of England, and into the 20th century, separate forms of Compline have again emerged, and a form of "Night Prayer" is now common in most Anglican prayer books.

St Mary Magdalene's

St Mary Magdalene's Church was founded in Moore Street in 1886 to be a Mission Church in what was then the poorest part of the city. From the time of its foundation, its worship has been firmly in the catholic tradition of Anglicanism, after the example of the pioneering priests and people of the Anglo-Catholic movement in the UK (often called Tractarianism, or the Oxford Movement), whose mission and ministry was centred on areas characterised by poverty and marginalisation.

Music has always played an important part in the worshipping life of the community. At the laying of the Foundation Stone, the choir from the nearby St John's Church, the first surpliced choir in Adelaide, sang hymns and anthems, and at the church's consecration in 1893, the Te Deum was sung in procession. A liturgical choir sings at Mass to this day.

In 1897 a small pipe organ (one manual of 5 stops, and a single pedal stop), the only instrument built by local musician J. H. Fray, was dedicated at a Festal Evensong at which the service was Adlam in F, and the anthem Stainer's "What are these arrayed in white robes?" The organ was removed in 1915 and after service in the Eastwood Methodist Church and Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Prospect, it passed into private ownership: it stands at the rear of St John's Church in Halifax Street.

A 41 stop, 3 manual Johannus digital organ was installed in 2017 and inaugurated at a recital by Dutch organist and International Sales Manager for Johannus Orgelbouw Martin van Heerde on 19 October of that year.

¶ When the bell rings, all stand for the entrance of the Minister, then sit for the Introit.

INTROIT

The Lamb

Little Lamb who made thee
Dost thou know who made thee
Gave thee life & bid thee feed.
By the stream & o'er the mead;
Gave thee clothing of delight,
Softest clothing wooly bright;
Gave thee such a tender voice,
Making all the vales rejoice!
Little Lamb who made thee
Dost thou know who made thee

Little Lamb I'll tell thee,
Little Lamb I'll tell thee;
He is called by thy name,
For he calls himself a Lamb:
He is meek & he is mild,
He became a little child:
I a child & thou a lamb,
We are called by his name.
Little Lamb God bless thee.
Little Lamb God bless thee.

WILLIAM BLAKE (1757-1827)

Music: KATHERINE SAXON (b.1981)

¶ All standing up, the Minister shall say,

THE Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end. *Amen*.

RETHREN, be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist, steadfast in the faith.

1 St. Peter 5. 8, 9.

- ℣. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us;
- R. Thanks be to God.

¶ Then shall the Minister and people say together the Confession following.

WE confess to God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

 \P The Priest shall stand and pronounce the following Absolution

AY the almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen*.

Minister. O God, make speed to save us;Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Minister. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:

world without end. Amen.

Minister. Praise ye the Lord;

Answer. The Lord's name be praised.

¶ The hymn Phos hilaron is sung.

Hail! gladdening Light, of His pure glory poured Who is th'immortal Father, heavenly, blest, Holiest of Holies—Jesus Christ our Lord!

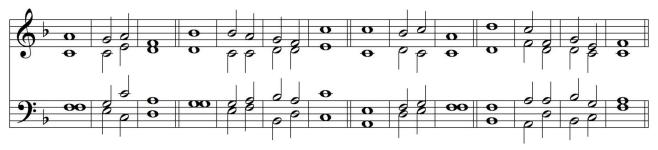
Now we are come to the Sun's hour of rest; The lights of evening round us shine; We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine!

Worthiest art thou at all times to be sung
With undefiled tongue,
Son of our God, giver of life, alone:
Therefore in all the world thy glories, Lord, they own.

JOHN KEBLE (1792-1866) based on Φῶς ἱλαρὸν ἁγίας δόξης (Greek, 4th cent. or earlier)

¶ Then shall be sung the following Psalm:

PSALM 4. Cum invocarem.



GEORGE ELVEY (1816-93)

Music: JOHN STAINER (1840-1901)

- 1 Answer me when I call, O | God of my | righteousness : when I was hard-pressed you set me free * be gracious to me | now and | hear my | prayer.
- 2 Children of earth, * how long will you turn my | glory to my | shame : how long will you love what is worthless, * and | seek | after | lies?
- 3 Know that the Lord has shown me his | wonder•ful | kindness : when I call to the | Lord | he will | hear me.
- 4 Tremble and | do no | sin : commune with your own heart up|on your | bed and be | still.
- 5 Offer the sacrifices | that are | right : and | put your | trust in the | Lord.
- 6 There are many who say * 'Who will | show us any | good? : the light of your countenance O | Lord has | gone | from us.'
- 7 Yet you have given my | heart more | gladness : than they have when their corn | wine and | oil in|crease.
- 8 In peace I will lie | down and | sleep : for you alone Lord | make me | dwell in | safety.

¶ The hymn Te lucis ante terminum is sung

Te lucis ante terminum, Rerum Creator poscimus, Ut pro tua clementia Sis præsul et custodia.

Procul recedant somnia, Et noctium phantasmata; Hostemque nostrum comprime, Ne polluantur corpora.

Præsta, Pater piissime, Patrique compar Unice, Cum Spiritu Paraclito Regnans per omne sæculum. Amen. Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world we pray, That with thy wonted favour thou Wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

From all ill dreams defend our eyes, From nightly fears and fantasies Tread under foot our ghostly foe, That no pollution we may know.

O Father, that we ask be done, Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son; Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee, Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

Latin, 8th cent. or earlier trans. J.M. Neale (1818-66)

Music: THOMAS TALLIS (c.1505-85)

¶ Then shall be said or sung the following Short Lesson.

THOU, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name. Leave us not, O Lord our God. *Jeremiah* 14. 9.

R. Thanks be to God.

¶ Then is sung the following Respond.

Minister. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit; *People.* Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;

Minister. For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

People. I commend my spirit.

Minister. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

People. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

 \dot{V} . Keep me as the apple of an eye;

R. Hide me under the shadow of thy wings.

¶ Then shall follow the Canticle Nunc Dimittis together with the Antiphon, which is to be sung in full before the Canticle, and again after the Gloria Patri.

Antiphon. Save us, O Lord, while waking, and defend us while sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep may rest in peace.



SAMUEL SEBASTIAN WESLEY (1816-93)

- 1 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant de|part in | peace : ac|cording | to thy | word .
- 2 For mine eyes have | seen thy sal|vation : Which thou hast prepared before the | face of | all | people .
- 3 To be a light to | lighten the | Gentiles :
 and to be the | glory of thy | people | Israel.

 Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son :
 and | to the | Holy | Ghost.

 As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever | shall be :

world without | end. A | - | men. ¶ And after that these Prayers following, all devoutly kneeling.

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Christ, have mercy upon us.* Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; In earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ Then shall be said:

- V. O Lord, hear our prayer;
- \mathbf{R} . And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

¶ Then shall be said the following Collect

VISIT, we beseech thee, O Lord, this place, and drive from it all the snares of the enemy; let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace; and may thy blessing be upon us evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- V. O Lord, hear our prayer;
- R. And let our cry come unto thee.
- V. Let us bless the Lord;
- R. Thanks be to God.

THE Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; bless and preserve us. *Amen.*

 \P Then is sung this anthem.

Keep watch, dear Lord,
with those who work or wait, or weep this night,
and give thine angels charge over those who sleep.
Tend the sick, Lord Christ:
 give rest to the weary:
 bless the dying,
 soothe the suffering,
 comfort the afflicted,
 shield us all:
 and all for thy love's sake.

After a prayer by ST AUGUSTINE

Music: CHRIS HUTCHINGS (b.1979) in memoriam: Easter 2020

¶ After the anthem, silence may be kept for a space, then the Minister says,

E give you thanks, O God, for the gift to the world of our Redeemer; as we have sung of your glory at the close of this day, so may we know his presence in our hearts; who is our Saviour and our God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

 \P And the Minister departs.

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