

APBA General Compline

Time of silence

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

God of all mercy, we humbly admit that we need your help.

We have wandered from your way.

We have sinned in thought, word and deed, and have failed to do what is right.

You alone can save us.

Have mercy on us, wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others.

Bring forth in use the fruit of your Spirit that we may live the new life to your glory.

This we ask in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen.

Absolution

God desires that none should perish, but that all should turn to Christ, and live.

In response to his call we acknowledge our sins.

God pardons those who humbly repent and truly believe the Gospel.

Therefore we have peace with God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus, you came to call sinners to repentance,

have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus sent to heal those who are burdened in soul,

have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, now seated at the Father's right hand to intercede for us,

have mercy on us.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

who made heaven and earth.

Glorify to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Praise the Lord.

Hail gladdening Light, of his pure glory poured

Who is the immortal Father, heavenly, blest,

Holiest of Holies, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Now we 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.

Psalm 4

Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness,

you set me free when I was hard pressed;

have mercy on me now and hear my prayer.

How long, you people, will you turn my honour into shame,

how long will you love what is worthless and seek after falsehood?

Know that the Lord has shown me wonderful kindness:

when I call upon the Lord, the Lord will hear me.

Tremble, then, and do not sin: commune with your own heart upon your bed and be still.

Offer sacrifices that are right: and put your trust in the Lord.

There are many who say, 'Who can show us any good?':

The light of your countenance has departed from us, O Lord.'

Yet you have put more gladness in my heart: than they have when grain and new wine abound.

I will lie down in peace and sleep: for it is only you, O Lord, who make me dwell in safety.

Psalm 134

Come now, praise the Lord, all you servants of the Lord:
you that stand by night in the house of the Lord.
Lift up your hands in the holy place and praise the Lord:
May the Lord bless you from Zion,
the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Hear O Israel: the Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home, and when you are away, when you lie down and when you arise.

Thanks be to God.

Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

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You have redeemed us, Lord, God of truth.

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Glory to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit.

Save us, Lord, while we are awake;
protect us while we are asleep;
**that we may keep watch with Christ
and rest with him in peace.**

Now Lord you let your servant go in peace;
your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation:
which you have prepared in the sight of every people:

A light to reveal you to the nations:
and the glory of your people Israel.

**Save us, Lord, while we are awake;
protect us while we are asleep;
that we may keep watch with Christ
and rest with him in peace.**

Come to visit us, Lord, this night, so that by your strength we may rise at daybreak
to rejoice in the resurrection of Christ your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Let us praise the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit;

God is worthy to be praised and exalted for ever.

May the almighty and merciful God bless us and keep us. **Amen.**

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