

The Basic Order—Evening Prayer

Essential elements for abbreviated order in caps; optional elements in italics

Opening Sentences/Verses

Jesus Christ is the light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.
Stay with us Lord, for it is evening, and the day is almost over.
Let you light scatter the darkness and illumine your church.

Evening Psalm

Psalm 141:1-5 & 8-10;

PSALM *(followed by silent prayer)*

Appointed in Daily Lectionary

SCRIPTURE READING *(followed by silent reflection)*

Appointed in Daily Lectionary

Canticle

Luke 1:46-55

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Eternal God, the sun sets on our day but never upon your grace and mercy. We thank you this day for your presence through this day and for the gift of your Son,, Jesus Christ, our Lord, our Light, and our life. We also give thanks for:

(One may include: The church, daily work, friends and family, daily bread...)

Grant us your peace, O God, and accept the cares and concerns that weigh upon us at the end of this day. We pray especially for:

(One may include: The poor, the sick, those near death, government, our enemies...)

God our creator, yours is the morning and yours is the evening. Let Christ the sun of righteousness shine in our hearts, illumine our minds and draw us to the light o your kingdom this day and every day. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, our mediator. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Blessing/Dismissal

In the name of the father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen
Bless the Lord. The Lord's Name be praised.