

Evening Prayer in Scottish Tradition

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 forever.

Amen.

PSALMODY

Antiphon: O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!

you are clothed with majesty and splendour.

Opening (from Psalm 104)

1 You appointed the moon to mark the seasons,*

and the sun knows the time of its setting.

2 You make darkness that it may be night,*

in which all the beasts of the forest prowl.

3 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;*

may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

4 May these words of mine please him;*

I will rejoice in the Lord.

Glory to the Father...

Psalm 80

**Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that led Joseph like a flock :
you that are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine out in glory;**

**Before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh :
stir up your power, and come to save us.**

**Restore us again, O Lord of hosts :
show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

**O Lord God of hosts :
how long will you be angry at your people's prayer?**

**You have fed them with the bread of tears :
and given them tears to drink in good measure.**

**You have made us the victim of our neighbours :
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

**Restore us again, O Lord of hosts :
show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

**You brought a vine out of Egypt :
you drove out the nations, and planted it in.**

**You cleared the ground before it :
and it struck root and filled the land.**

**The hills were covered with its shadow :
and its boughs were like the boughs of the great cedars.**

**It stretched out its branches to the sea :
and its tender shoots to the Great River.**

**Why then have you broken down its walls :
so that every passer-by can pluck its fruit?**

**The wild boar out of the woods roots it up :
and the locusts from the wild places devour it.**

**Turn to us again, O Lord of hosts :
look down from heaven, and see.**

**Bestow your care upon this vine :
the stock which your own right hand has planted.**

**As for those that burn it with fire and cut it down :
let them perish at the rebuke of your countenance.**

**Let your power rest on the man at your right hand :
on that son of man whom you made so strong for yourself.**

**And so we shall not turn back from you :
give us life, and we will call upon your name.**

**Restore us again, O Lord of hosts :
show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

Conclusion (from 1 John 4)

**1 Beloved let us love one another,*
for love is of God;**

- 2 And those who love are born of God*
and know God.**
- 3 Those who do not love do not know God,*
for God is love.**
- 4 In this the love of God was made manifest among us,*
that God sent his only Son into the world
so that we might live through him.**
- 5 In this is love: not that we loved God,*
but that God loved us and sent his Son
to be the expiation for our sins.**
- 6 Beloved, if God so loved us,*
we also ought to love one another.**

Glory to the Father...

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READING(S)

Mark 5:1-20

Jesus heals a man with a demon

They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; and he shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do

not torment me.” For he had said to him, “Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!” Then Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” He replied, “My name is Legion; for we are many.” He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; and the unclean spirits begged him, “Send us into the swine; let us enter them.” So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and were drowned in the sea.

The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what it was that had happened. They came to Jesus and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the very man who had had the legion; and they were afraid. Those who had seen what had happened to the demoniac and to the swine reported it. Then they began to beg Jesus to leave their neighborhood. As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed by demons begged him that he might be with him. But Jesus refused, and said to him, “Go home to your friends, and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and what mercy he has shown you.” And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed.

Silence

Response (Psalm 119.105)

Your word is a lantern to my feet.

Your word is a lantern to my feet.

A light upon my path.

A lantern to my feet.

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

Your word is a lantern to my feet.

Magnificat Antiphon

God looks with favour on his lowly servant.

Magnificat

1. My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord:

my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;

2. for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant:

from this day all generations will call me blessed;

3. the Almighty has done great things for me:

and holy is his name.

4. He has mercy on those who fear him:

in every generation.

5. He has shown the strength of his arm:

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

6. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones:

and has lifted up the lowly.

7. He has filled the hungry with good things:

and the rich he has sent away empty.

8. He has come to the help of his servant Israel:

for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

9. the promise he made to our fathers:

to Abraham and his children for ever.

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.

Silence or words

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Collect

**Holy and awesome God,
your Son's authority is found in integrity and living truth,
not the assertion of power over others.
Open our imaginations to new dimensions of your love,
and heal us of all that severs us from you and one another,
that we may grow into the vision you unfold before us. Amen.**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

For Those We Love

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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. 2

Corinthians 13:14

