

An Order for Evening Prayer

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 your light scatter the darkness,
And illumine your church.

We sing (in French)

Communauté de Grandchamp: Switzerland



Lu - miè - re de Dieu, in - on - de la ter - re, vi - si - te nos cœurs et de - meure a - vec nous.
Come light, light of God, give light to cre - a - tion, en - light - en our hearts and re - main with your world.

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Psalm 141

O Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly;
Hear my voice when I cry to you.

Let my prayer rise before you as incense,
The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Set a watch before my mouth, O Lord,
And guard the door of my lips.

Let not my heart incline to any evil thing;
Let me not be occupied in wickedness with evildoers.

But my eyes are turned to you, Lord God,
In you I take refuge; do not strip me of my life.

Glory to the Holy Trinity,
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Let us pray to "I will be who I will be," liberty's source and freedom's force.

O God, awaken our eyes and ears so we turn aside from our daily tasks and fears, to
know your grace as near as a name, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

A reading, adapted from Matthew 10:2-8

These are the names of the apostles:

We name those who are called and sent

first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew;
Our siblings

James son of Zebedee, and his brother John;

Our daughters and our sons

Philip and Bartholomew;

Our friends

Thomas and Matthew the tax collector;

Our neighbours from all vocations of life

James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus

All women and all men

Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

Those who are strong, and those who will fail are all called and sent

These twelve Jesus sent out

Jesus sends us out

As you go, proclaim the good news,

To proclaim this gospel

"The kingdom of heaven has come near."

Solidarity, God with us

Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons.

Healing, justice, peace, reconciliation for all creation

You received without payment;

Freely we receive

give without payment.

Freely we give

A time of quiet reflection on the text, followed by the singing bowl

In peace, let us pray to the Lord,

Lord have mercy.

For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Geneva in which we gather from across our communion, for the cities and countries from which we come and for the wellbeing of all creatures, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering all who have gone before us in the faith, and the path we are called to walk together as a communion, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our God.

To you, O Lord.

We sing (in Spanish)

Jacques Berthier: France

$\text{♩} = 72$

Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te, quien a Dios tie - ne na - da le fal - ta.
 Noth - ing can trou - ble, noth - ing can fright - en, those who seek God shall nev - er go want - ing.

Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te, so - lo Dios bas - ta.
 Noth - ing can trou - ble, noth - ing can fright - en, God a - lone fills us.

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Gracious God, we thank You, through Jesus Christ, Your beloved Son, that You have graciously kept us this day. And we pray that You would forgive us all our sins where we have done wrong, and graciously keep us this night. For into Your hands, we commend ourselves, our bodies and souls and all things. Let Your holy angel be with us, that the evil one may have no power over us. Amen.

Our Father in heaven...

Benediction

May the almighty and merciful God, Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier, bless and preserve us.

Amen.