



the **Church**
of **St Peter** and
St Simon-the-Apostle

Compline, Maundy Thursday

St. Peter & St. Simon-the-Apostle,

A Contemplative Service, April 9, 2020

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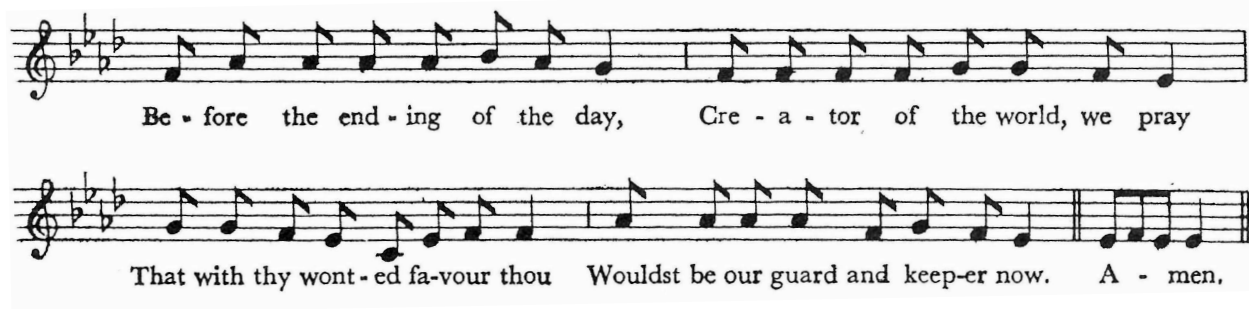
When you pray,
be like the mountain
in stillness, in silence;
thoughts rooted in eternity.
Do nothing;
just sit, just be;
and you will harvest the fruit of your
prayer.

When you pray,
be like the flower
reaching up to the sun;
straight-stemmed like a column.
Be open,
ready to accept all things without fear
and you will not lack light on your way.

When you pray,
be like the ocean
with stillness in its depths
the waves ebbing and flowing.
Have calm in your heart,
and evil thoughts will flee on their own
accord.

When you pray,
be like the bird,
endlessly singing before the Creator
its song rising like incense.
Pray like the turtle dove,
and you will never lose heart.

~St. Seraphim of Sarov



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

3 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.



Psalm 116.1, 10-17

¹ MY DE-light is in the **Lord** : because he hath heard the voice **of** my prayer;

¹⁰ I trusted even when I spake; but I was sore **trou**-bled : I said in my haste, 'All men **are** li-ars.'

¹¹ What reward shall I give unto the **Lord** : for all the benefits that he hath done **un**-to me?

¹² I will take the cup of sal-**va**-tion : and call upon the Name **of** the Lord.

¹³ I will pay my vows unto the **Lord** : in the presence of all **his** peo-ple.

¹⁴ Right dear in the sight of the **Lord** : is the death **of** his saints.

¹⁵ Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy **ser**-vant : I am thy servant and the son of thy handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds **in** sun-der.

¹⁶ I will offer to thee the sacrifices of thanks-**giv**-ing : and will call upon the Name **of** the Lord.

¹⁷ I will pay my vows unto the **Lord** : in the presence of all **his** peo-ple.

Glory be to the Father, and to the **Son** : and to **the** Ho^ly Ghost;

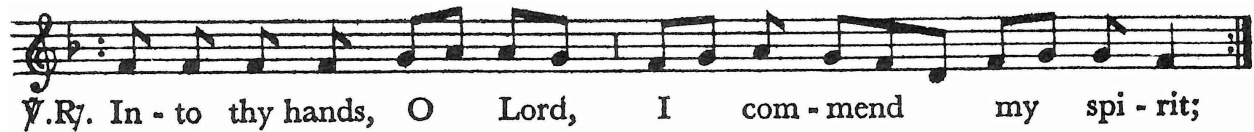
As it was in the beginning is now, and ever **shall** be : world without **end**. A-men.

Gospel Reading, John 13.1-17, 31b-35

1 Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2 The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper 3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, 4 got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. 5 Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. 6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" 7 Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." 8 Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." 9 Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 10 Jesus said to him, "One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you." 11 For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, "Not all of you are clean."

12 After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? 13 You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. 14 So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. 16 Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. 17 If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. [...] Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. 32 If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. 33 Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' 34 I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Silence, 5 minutes

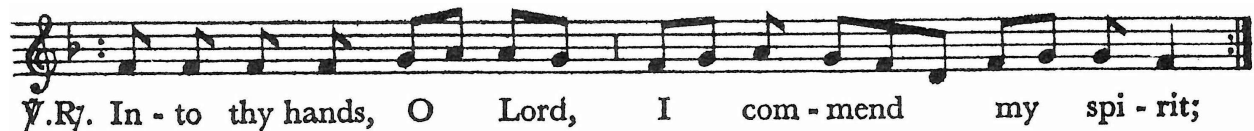


Minister: We have wounded your love.

Answer: **O God, heal us.**

Minister: We stumble in the darkness.

Answer: **Light of the world, transfigure us.**



Minister: We forget that we are your home.

Answer: **Spirit of God, dwell in us.**

Minister: Eternal Spirit,

Answer: **living God,**

**in whom we live and move and have our being,
all that we are, have been, and shall be
is known to you.**

**In the very secret of our hearts
you know all that rises to trouble us.**

Living flame, burn in us.

Cleansing wind, blow through us.

Fountain of water, well up within us;

**that we may love and praise
in deed and in thought. Amen.**



Keep us as the apple of an eye; R. Hide us under the shadow of
thy wings. Pre - serve us, O Lord, while wa - king,
and guard us while sleeping, that a - wake we may watch with Christ,
and a - sleep we may rest in peace. [In Easter-tide. Al - le - lu - ia.]

NUNC DIMITTUS

III. 5.

LORD, NOW lettest thou thy ser-**vant** de²part in peace : according **to** thy wö²rd.
FOR MINE eyes have seen **thy** sal-vä-tion : which thou hast prepared before the
face of **all** peo-plē;

TO BE a light to light-**en** the Gën-tiles : and to be the glory of thy peo-**ple**
Is²ra-ël.

GLO-RY be to the Father, **and** to thē Son : and to **the** Ho²ly Ghöst;

AS IT was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shä²ll be : world without **end**.
A-mën.

Repeat 'Preserve us'.

Minister: Let us pray.

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer: Christ have mercy upon us.

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed by thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on 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.

Minister: Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers;

Answer: To be praised and glorified above all for ever.

Minister: Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost;

Answer: Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

Minister: Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven;

Answer: To be praised and glorified above all for ever.

Minister: The Almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.

Answer: Amen.

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.

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Minister: Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us;

Answer: That thy people may rejoice in thee?

Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Answer: And grant us thy salvation.

Minister: Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without sin;

Answer: O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

Minister: O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer: And let our cry come unto thee.

The Collect for Protection.

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.**

The Collect for Maundy Thursday.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards us, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility : Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Litany of Praise, the Community of Taizé

Minister: Let us contemplate Jesus the Lord: instead of the joy meant for him, he endured the cross, disregarding its disgrace.

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Minister: O Jesus Christ, born in humility to confound the proud and to raise the humble,

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Minister: You lived among us, healing the sick, proclaiming Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Minister: You came to unbind the chains of every slavery, friend of the humble, bread of hungry hearts,

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Minister: Jesus, full of patience and goodness, you showed forgiveness and kindness to the very end.

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Minister: Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, you call to yourself all who are weary and burdened.

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Minister: Jesus, you came into the world to serve and to give your life; you were betrayed for money, dragged before judges and nailed to the cross.

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Minister: Jesus, Lord of the universe, by your resurrection from the dead you are alive at the Father's side and there you prepare a place for us.

Answer: We worship you, Lord, upon the cross.

Prayers by Br. Roger of Taizé

God of every human being, in a world where we are bewildered by the incomprehensible suffering of the innocent, how can we be witnesses to the Gospel? Enable us to manifest a reflection of the compassion of Christ by the lives that we live.

Christ Jesus, you did not come to earth to judge the world but so that through you, the Risen Lord, every human being might be saved, reconciled. And when the love that forgives burns with a Gospel flame, the heart, even when beset by trials, can begin to live again.

Bless us, Christ Jesus; when threatened you did not retaliate, and you come to heal us by your compassion.

Bidding prayers

Minister: Let us pray.

Minister: We will lay us down in peace and take our rest;

Answer: for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.

Minister: The Lord be with you;

Answer: And with thy spirit.

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night, and at the last a perfect end; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with us this night, and for evermore. Amen.

EVENING

17 Christ, Mighty Saviour

Unison



1 Christ, might- y Sav - iour, Light of all cre - a - tion, you make the
2 Now comes the day's end as the sun is set - ting: mir - ror of
3 There - fore we come now, eve - ning rites to of - fer, joy - ful - ly
4 Give heed, we pray you, to our sup - pli - ca - tion: that you may
5 Though bod - ies slum - ber, hearts shall keep their vig - il, for - ev - er

day - time ra - di - ant with sun - light and to the night give
day - break, pledge of res - ur - rec - tion; while in the heav - ens,
chant - ing ho - ly hymns to praise you, with all cre - a - tion
grant us par - don for of - fen - ces, strength for our weak hearts,
rest - ing in the peace of Je - sus, in light or dark - ness

glit - ter - ing a - dorn - ment, stars in the heav - ens.
choirs of stars ap - pear - ing hal - low the night - fall.
join - ing hearts and voic - es sing - ing your glo - ry.
rest for ach - ing bod - ies, sooth - ing the wea - ry.
wor - ship - ping our Sav - iour now and for - ev - er.