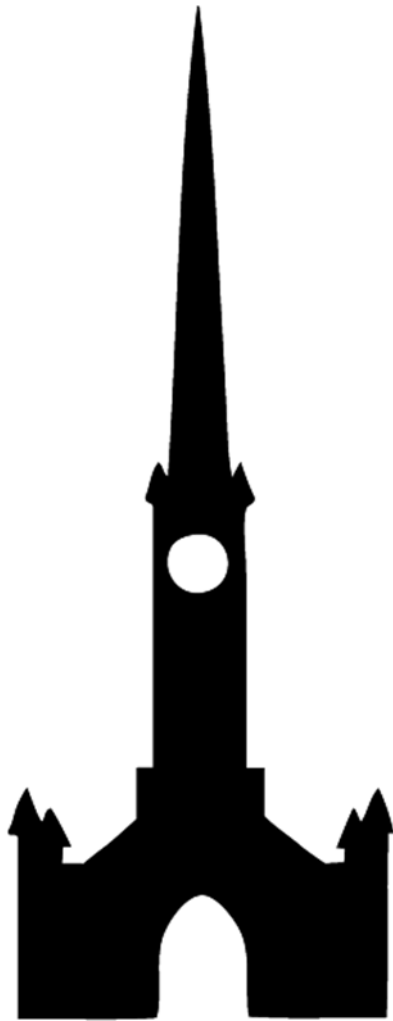


# The Cathedral Church of St. James

Compline

Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:30pm



*The Cathedral Church of St. James  
Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada*

## COMPLINE - ORDER OF SERVICE

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

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us;  
*All* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
*All* **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.**

*Officiant* Praise ye the Lord;  
*All* **The Lord's name be praised.**

### **Psalm 31: 1-6**

*Officiant* In thee, O LORD, have I put my trust;  
let me never be put to confusion; deliver me in thy righteousness.

*All* **Bow down thine ear to me;  
make haste to deliver me,**

*Officiant* And be thou my strong rock and house of defence,  
that thou mayest save me.

*All* **For thou art my strong rock and my castle:  
be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.**

*Officiant* Draw me out of the net that they have hidden for me;  
for thou art my strength.

*All* **Into thy hands I commend my spirit;  
for thou hast redeemed me, O LORD, thou God of truth.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.**

### **The Lesson**

*Jeremiah 14: 9*

*Officiant* Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name. Leave us not, O Lord our God.

*Officiant* Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

*Officiant* Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

*After the lesson, the people respond*

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;  
*All* **Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;**

*Officiant* For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth;  
*All* **I commend my spirit.**

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
*All* **Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

### **Te Lucis Ante Terminum**

Music: John Mason Neale;  
Mode VIII

*Cantor* Before the ending of the day,  
Creator of the world, we pray  
That with thy wonted favour thou  
Wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

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

O Father, that we ask be done,  
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son;  
all harmful thoughts put thou to flight,  
that we refreshed may greet the light.

*Officiant* Keep us as the apple of an eye;  
*All* **Hide us under the shadow of thy wings.**

*Officiant* Preserve us, O Lord, waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

### **Nunc Dimittis**

*Anglican Chant*

*Cantor* Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,  
according to thy word.  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

*Officiant* Preserve us, O Lord, waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant* I believe in God  
*All* **the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell;  
The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church;  
The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins;  
The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

*All* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*Officiant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*All*            **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.**

*Officiant*    Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers;

*All*            **To be praised and glorified above all for ever.**

*Officiant*    Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost;

*All*            **Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.**

*Officiant*    Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven;

*All*            **To be praised and glorified above all for ever.**

*Officiant*    The Almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.

*All*            **Amen.**

*Officiant*    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 all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Officiant*    Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us;

*All*            **That thy people may rejoice in thee?**

*Officiant*    O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

*All*            **And grant us thy salvation.**

*Officiant*    Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without sin;

*All*            **O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.**

*Officiant*    O Lord, hear our prayer;

*All*            **And let our cry come unto thee.**

**Hymn – CP 20**  
**Day is Done, But Love Unfailing**

Text: James Quinn;  
Music: Welsh melody; Tune: Ar Hyd Y Nos

*Cantor* Day is done, but love unfailing  
dwells ever here;  
Shadows fall, but hope prevailing,  
calms ev'ry fear.  
Loving Father, none forsaking,  
take our hearts, of love's own making,  
watch our sleeping, guard our waking,  
be always near.

Dark descends, but light unending  
shines through our night;  
you are with us, ever lending  
new strength to sight:  
one in love, your truth confessing,  
one in hope of heaven's blessing,  
may we see, in love's possessing,  
love's endless light!

**The Collect for Protection**

*Officiant* 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.

*All* **Amen.**

*OR*

*Officiant* Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*All* **Amen.**

*Officiant* O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who at this evening hour didst rest in the sepulchre, and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people: Make us so to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of thy passion, that when our bodies lie in the dust, our souls may live with thee; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

*All* **Amen.**

*Officiant* Look down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the sons of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*Officiant* Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

**Solo** Acquaint Now Thyself with Him

*Michael Head*

*Cantor*

Acquaint now thyself with Him and be at peace;  
Thereby good shall come unto thee.

Acquaint now thyself with Him and be at peace.

Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His holy hill.

For the Lord our God is holy.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Fear before Him all the earth.

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name.

Bring an offering, and come unto His courts.

Wherewith shall I come before the Lord,

And bow myself before the most high God?

Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings?

He hath showed thee O man what is good

And what doth the Lord require of thee,

But to do justly, and to love mercy

And to walk humbly with thy God.

Acquaint now thyself with him and be at peace;

Thereby good shall come unto thee.

Acquaint now thyself with Him and be at peace.

*Officiant* We will lay us down in peace and take our rest;

*All* **For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you;

*All* **And with thy spirit.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord;

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* The Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,  
bless and preserve us.

*All* **Amen.**

*Officiant: The Very Reverend Stephen Vail*

*Music Director & Organist: Thomas Bell*

*Cantor: Alain Paquette*