



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN VERMONT  
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## An Order for Compline BCP 127

*The Officiant begins*

The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. *Amen.*

*Officiant* Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

*People* The maker of heaven and earth.

*The Officiant may then say*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence is kept.*

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father:

We have sinned against you,

through our own fault,

in thought, and word, and deed,

and in what we have left undone.

For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,

forgive us all our offenses;

and grant that we may serve you in newness of life,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Officiant*

May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and  
comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

*The Officiant then says*

O God, make speed to save us.

*People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant and People*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the  
beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*In unison*

**Psalm 31** *In te, Domine, speravi*

1. In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame: \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.
  
2. Incline your ear to me; \*  
make haste to deliver me.
  
3. Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

4. Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*  
for you are my tower of strength.

5. Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O Lord, O God of truth.

*At the end of the Psalms is said*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*Scripture, is read*

Lord, you are in the midst of us, and we are called by your Name: Do not  
forsake us, O Lord our God. *Jeremiah 14:9, 22*

*Then follows*

V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;  
R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.  
V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;  
R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Lord, have mercy.

*Christ, have mercy.*

Lord, have mercy.

*Officiant and People*

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.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.

*Officiant* Lord, hear our prayer;  
*People* And let our cry come to you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep, and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Silence may be kept, and free intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered.*

*The Officiant offers one or more concluding collects*

*The service concludes with the Song of Simeon with this Antiphon, which is said by all*

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping;

that awake we may watch with Christ,  
and asleep we may rest in peace.

Lord, you now have set your servant free \*  
to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \*  
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

A Light to enlighten the nations, \*  
and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*All repeat the Antiphon*

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

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The Officiant concludes*

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and  
keep us. *Amen.*