

All Saints' Episcopal Church

Welcoming all, Celebrating God's grace, Equipping the saints, Serving the world

Order for Evening

The Book of Common Prayer

115th Diocesan Convention

Episcopal Diocese of Northern California



Thursday, November 6, 2025 | 5:00 PM

Welcome! Our worship begins with a few moments of silent contemplation.

Prelude

La Lumiere vient dans le monde, Marcel Dupré

The Invitatory

All stand  and the Presider greets the people with these words

Presider Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Presider It is not ourselves that we proclaim; we proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants, for Jesus' sake. For the same God who said, "Out of darkness let light shine," has caused his light to shine within us, to give the light of revelation – the revelation of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:5-6

The Prayer for Light

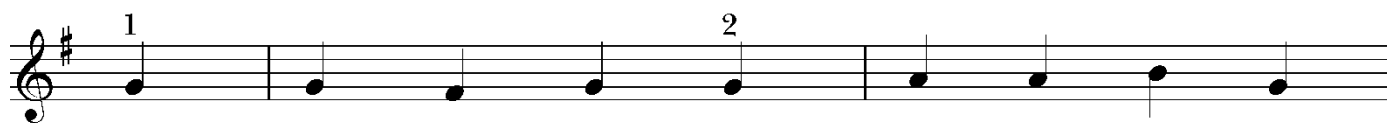
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of the vesper light; and we implore you of your great mercy that, as you enfold us with the radiance of this light, so you would shine into our hearts the brightness of your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

O Gracious Light



Phos Hilaron, Hymnal 1982, Hymn 25



1 O gra - cious Light, Lord Je - sus Christ, in
2 Now sun - set comes, but light shines forth, the
3 Wor - thy are you of end - less praise, O



you the Fa - ther's glo - ry shone. Im - mor - tal, ho - ly,
lamps are lit to pierce the night. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and
Son of God, Life - giv - ing Lord; where - fore you are through



blest is he, and blest are you, his ho - ly Son.
Spi - rit: God who dwells in the e - ter - nal light.
all the earth and in the high - est heaven a - dored.

This hymn may be sung unaccompanied as a four-part canon at a distance of one measure.

Psalm 4



1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"

3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the Lord.

6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" *
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

7 You have put gladness in my heart, *
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

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.*

The Lesson  *The people sit.*

Luke 24:36-53

Lector A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

While they were talking about this, Jesus stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things." And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Lector Here ends the reading.

Hymn



Lord of all hopefulness, Hymnal 1982, 482

1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
 whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
 your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
 whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
 be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

The Prayers of the People



The leader and People prayer responsively

Intercessor Gracious God, we give you thanks for this day –for the knowledge shared, for the fellowship enjoyed, and for the opportunity to serve you. Give us rest for the work that is yet to come.

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bless our convention as we gather to take counsel for your church –give us the wisdom and courage to be the people you would have us be, here in Northern California and beyond.

People **Hear our prayer.**

- Intercessor* We ask your blessing upon Bishop Megan, on the staff of the Office of the Bishop, on our clergy and lay leaders –may they lead us well in these days and the days to come.
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor* Protect all those who are still making their way to this place –for traveling mercies as we come and go on the highways and byways of this beautiful land.
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor* Remember all those who suffer and are in pain –for all who may be ill, destitute, unemployed, or underemployed, for those threatened by violence and war, for the homeless and all those who have no place to lay their head this night, may they know the healing grace of Christ and the hope of his Resurrection.
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor* Bless us as we go to take our evening meal, and bless those who have no food this night, whose jobs have been lost or whose benefits have been cut. May we share what we can, and pray to see a brighter day.
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor* We beseech the mercy of God to defend us from the perils around us –protect us from wildfire and disaster, bring us the rain and snow to refresh the land, give us the wisdom to be good stewards of the earth you have made, and the courage to face climate change and other disasters of our own making.
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor* Receive all those who will draw their last breath this night –may they awake to the light of eternal life and glory.
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Intercessor* Be with us all this night as we go to take our rest –may we awaken to new possibilities and new life at the dawn.
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Presider* Grant us, Lord, the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness we may have a vision of that holy City, where dwells the true and never-failing Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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 those
 who trespass against us.**
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

The Collect

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Presider Almighty, everlasting God, let our prayer in your sight be as incense, the lifting up of our hands as the evening sacrifice. Give us grace to behold you, present in your Word and Sacraments, and to recognize you in the lives of those around us. Stir up in us the flame of that love which burned in the heart of your Son as he bore his passion, and let it burn in us to eternal life and to the ages of ages. *Amen.*

The Blessing

The Bishop or the presider blesses the people.

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace, to rest and prepare for the work of a new day.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Grand Choeur in G, Theodore Salome



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