

## Evening Prayer

11<sup>th</sup> August, 2022.

### Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

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

### Psalm 11

In the Lord have I taken refuge; how then can you say to me, 'Flee like a bird to the hills,

**'For see how the wicked bend the bow and fit their arrows to the string, to shoot from the shadows at the true of heart.**

'When the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?

**The Lord is in his holy temple; the Lord's throne is in heaven.**

His eyes behold, his eyelids try every mortal being.

**The Lord tries the righteous as well as the wicked, but those who delight in violence his soul abhors.**

Upon the wicked he shall rain coals of fire and burning sulphur; scorching wind shall be their portion to drink.

**For the Lord is righteous; he loves righteous deeds, and those who are upright shall behold his face.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

### Opening prayer

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind.

**As our evening prayer rises like incense before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and for ever.**

### St. Luke 12:41-48

Peter said, 'Lord, are you telling this parable for us or for everyone?' And the Lord said, 'Who then is the faithful and prudent manager whom his master will put in charge of his slaves, to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Blessed is that slave whom his master will find at work when he arrives. Truly I tell you, he will put that one in charge of all his possessions. But if that slave says to himself, "My master is delayed in coming", and if he begins to beat the other slaves, men and women, and to eat and drink and get drunk, the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour that he does not know, and will cut him in pieces, and put him with the unfaithful. That slave who knew what his master wanted, but did not prepare himself or do what was wanted, will receive a severe beating. But one who did not know and did what deserved a beating will receive a light beating. From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded.

### Address

### Anthem

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me.

*S. S. Wesley. Based on Ps. 51*

### Prayers of intercession

*Prayers may be offered:*

*for peace*

*for places of conflict*

*for individuals & their needs*

*for the mission of the Church worldwide*

*for all who work in food production and conservation*

*for all who work in education*

*for those who mourn the loss of a loved one, or the loss of a way of life*

*for the work of aid agencies throughout the world*

*for those living in poverty or under oppression*

**Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### The Conclusion

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**