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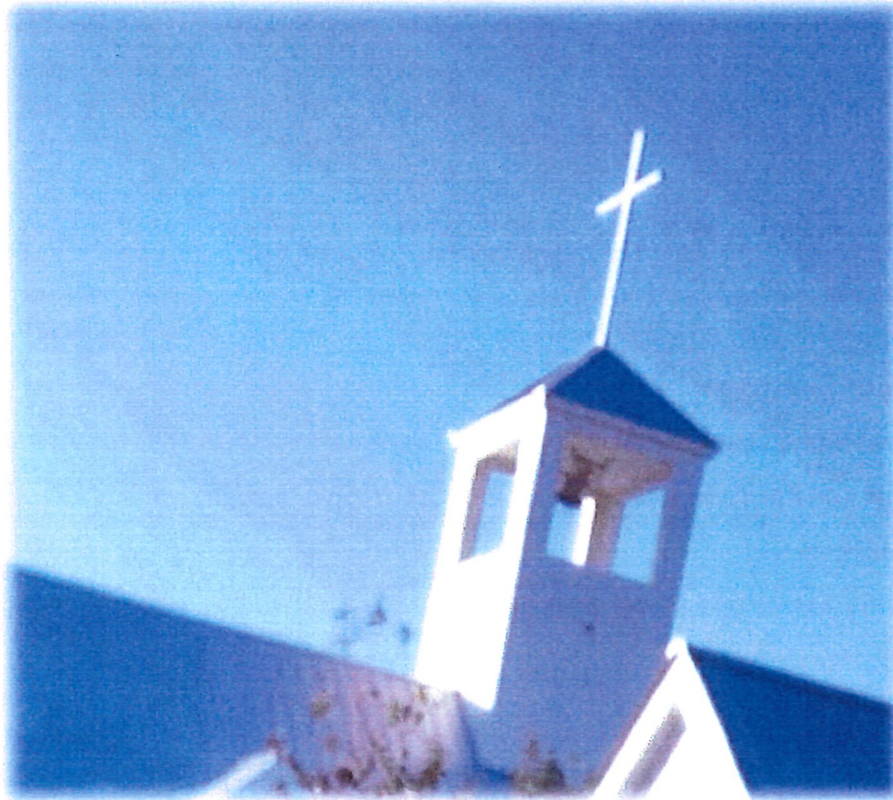
The Rev. James W. Friedel

AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE

Celebrating Missionary to China, Saint Eric Liddell

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

6:00 pm



"You, O LORD, are my lamp;
my God, you make my darkness bright."

~ Psalm 18:29

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The Officiant begins

(BCP Page 127)

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.

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.*

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The Officiant then says

○ God, make speed to save us.

People ○ 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.*

Psalm 18:21-25, 29-34

(BCP Pages 604-605)

Officiant and People

The LORD rewarded me because of my righteous dealing;
because my hands were clean he rewarded me;

For I have kept the ways of the LORD
and have not offended against my God;

For all his judgments are before my eyes,
and his decrees I have not put away from me;

For I have been blameless with him
and have kept myself from iniquity;

Therefore the LORD rewarded me according to my
righteous dealing,
because of the cleanness of my hands in his sight.

With the faithful you show yourself faithful, O God;
with the forthright you show yourself forthright.

You, O LORD, are my lamp;
my God, you make my darkness bright.

With you I will break down an enclosure;
with the help of my God I will scale any wall.

As for God, his ways are perfect;
the words of the LORD are tried in the fire;
he is a shield to all who trust in him.

For who is God, but the LORD?
who is the Rock, except our God?

It is God who girds me about with strength
and makes my way secure.

He makes me sure-footed like a deer
and lets me stand firm on the heights.

*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.*

A Reading from Isaiah 40:27-31

Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
"My way is hidden from the
LORD,
and my right is disregarded by
my God"?

Have you not known? Have you
not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of
the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is
unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and
be weary,
and the young will fall
exhausted;

but those who wait for the LORD
shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings
like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

Officiant The word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

A Reflection

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Hymn: Onward Christian Soldiers (vs.1, 4, 5)

(Hymn #562)



1. On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war, with the cross of
4. Crowns and thrones may per - ish, king - doms rise and wane, but the Church of
5. On - ward then, ye peo - ple, join our hap - py throng; blend with ours your



1. Je - sus go - ing on be - fore! Christ, the roy - al Mas - ter,
4. Je - sus con - stant will re - main; gates of hell can nev - er
5. voic - es in the tri - umph song: glo - ry, laud, and hon - or,



1. leads a - gainst the foe; for - ward in - to bat - tle, see, his ban - ners
4. 'gainst that Church pre - vail; we have Christ's own prom - ise, and that can - not
5. un - to Christ the King; this through coun - less a - ges we with an - gels

Refrain



1. go. On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war,
4. fail.
5. sing.



with the cross of Je - sus go - ing on be - fore!

The Officiant continues

(BCP Page 132)

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.

The Lord's Prayer

(BCP Pages 132-133)

Officiant and People

*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.*

Officiant: Lord, hear our prayer;

People: *And let our cry come to you.*

Officiant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day: Eric Liddell, Missionary to China

The Officiant says

God whose strength bears us up as on mighty wings: We rejoice in remembering your athlete and missionary, Eric Liddell, to whom you gave courage and resolution in contest and in captivity; and we pray that we also may run with endurance the race set before us and persevere in patient witness, until we wear that crown of victory won for us by Jesus our Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Collect for Mission for the Church

(BCP Page 838)

The Officiant says

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to yourself: We praise and bless you for those whom you have sent in the power of the Spirit to preach the Gospel to all nations. We thank you that in all parts of the earth a community of love has been gathered together by their prayers and labors, and that in every place your servants call upon your Name; for the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours for ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for the First Sunday in Lent

(BCP Page 218)

The Officiant says

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever. *Amen.*

A time of silence is offered followed by your intercessions and thanksgivings.

All

(BCP Page 134)

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.*

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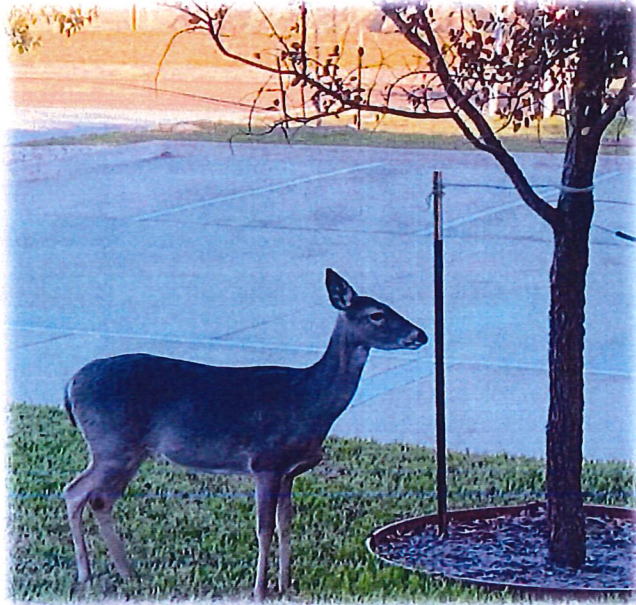
Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Officiant concludes

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

ALL THINGS BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL



He makes me sure-footed like a deer
and lets me stand firm on the heights.
~Psalm 18:34