



## THE CONFESSION

*Officiant:* Let us confess our sins to God.

*All:* 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.**

*Officiant* *People*



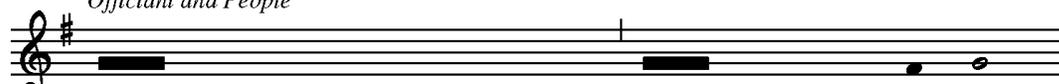
Convert us, O God our sal - vation, and turn your an - ger from us.

*Officiant* *People*



O God, make speed to save us, O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant and People*



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.



Al - le - lu - ia.

*Antiphon:* The LORD lives! Exalted is the God of my salvation, hallelujah!

O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world; \*  
    thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!  
Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength,  
    because of thine enemies, \*  
    that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.  
When I consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers; \*  
    the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained.  
What is man that thou art mindful of him? \*  
    and the son of man that thou visitest him?  
Thou madest him lower than the angels, \*  
    to crown him with glory and worship.  
Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands; \*  
    and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet.  
All sheep and oxen;  
    yea, and the beasts of the field;  
The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the seas; \*  
    and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.  
O Lord our Governor, \*  
    how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

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

May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

*Hebrews 13:20-21*

*All:* Thanks be to God.

**HYMN**

Never weather-beaten sail

Thomas Campion (1567–1620)

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore.  
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more,  
Than my wearied sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:  
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.

Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high Paradise.  
Cold age deafs not there our ears nor vapour dims our eyes:  
Glory there the sun outshines whose beams the blessed only see:  
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee!

**VERSICLES & RESPONSES**

*Officiant or Cantor*

In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spi - rit.

*People*

In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spi - rit.

*Officiant or Cantor*

For you have re - deemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

*People*

In - to your hands, O Lord, I com - mend my spi - rit.

*Officiant or Cantor*

V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

*People*

R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

<i>Officiant</i>	<i>People</i>	<i>Officiant</i>
Lord, have mer - cy.	Christ, have mer - cy.	Lord, have mer - cy.



*Officiant:* Let us offer our individual petitions

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.*

**NUNC DIMITTIS** *from The Gloucester Service*

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

*Antiphon:* Preserve us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping;  
that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace. Alleluia.

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 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.

**ANTHEM** They that go down to the sea in ships

Herbert Sumsion (1899–1995)

They that go down to the sea in ships, and occupy their business in great waters;  
these men see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep.  
For at his word the stormy wind ariseth, which lifteth up the waves thereof.  
They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep:  
their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

They reel to and fro and stagger like a drunken man: and are at their wits' end.  
So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, he delivereth them out of their distress.  
For he maketh the storm to cease, so that the waves thereof are still.  
Then are they glad because they are at rest;  
and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

## CLOSING SENTENCES

*Officiant:* In peace we will lie down and sleep;  
*People:* for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety.

*Officiant:* Abide with us, Lord Jesus,  
*People:* for the night is at hand and the day is now past.

*Officiant:* As the night watch looks for the morning,  
*People:* so do we look for you, O Christ.

*Cantor or Officiant*



Let us bless the Lord, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

*People*



Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

*Officiant*



The almighty and mer-ci-ful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spi-rit,

*People*



bless us and keep us. A-men.

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