

## St. Stephen's Wednesday Night Prayer/Compline Form A

*Thank you for joining us for Compline - also known as Night Prayer. You are invited to follow along, the responses for those joining us are in **bold**. I hope that you join your voices and prayers with those of us as we welcome the evening and prepare to say farewell to this day and to wake to a new day in Christ Jesus.*

### OPENING

Almighty God grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

**Amen.**

By day, O God, **you grant your steadfast love,**  
And at night your song is with me, **a prayer to the God of my life.**

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Holy and gracious God,

**I confess that I have sinned  
against you this day.**

**Some of my sin I know -  
the thoughts and words and deeds  
of which I am ashamed -  
But some is known only to you.**

**In the name of Jesus Christ**

**I ask forgiveness.**

**Deliver and restore me,  
that I may rest in peace.**

### WORD

*Here we will hear readings from scripture and reflect on them*

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

You have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.

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

### GOSPEL CANTICLE

### PRAYERS

### LORD'S PRAYER

### BLESSING

Now in peace I will lie down and sleep;

**you alone, O God, make me secure.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **St. Stephen's Wednesday Evening Prayer Form B**

### **OPENING DIALOGUE**

Jesus Christ is the light of the world,  
**the light no darkness can overcome.**  
Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,  
**and the day is almost over.**  
Let your light scatter the darkness  
**and illumine your church.**

*or*

God is our light and our salvation,  
**our refuge and our stronghold.**  
From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**we praise your name, O God.**  
For with you is the fountain of life,  
**and in your light we see light.**

### **THANKSGIVING FOR LIGHT**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **PSALMODY**

Let my prayer rise before you as incense;  
**the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

*Psalms*

Glory to the Father, **and to the Son,**  
**and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now,**  
**and will be forever. Amen.**  
**Let my prayer rise before you as incense;**  
**the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

### **WORD**

### **GOSPEL CANTICLE**

### **PRAYERS**

Let us pray to the Lord; **Lord have mercy**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **BLESSING**

### **DISMISSAL**