

Compline – Wednesday, July 22, 2020

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Opening

What we offer is enough. God's love covers all.

Prayer

Creator and lover of our souls: Teach us to release our burdens and accept your love. May your love be the deepest reality of our lives, and may we offer real love to others.

(Be still and aware)

Psalm 102:1-12 - St. Helena Psalter

O God, hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you; *
hide not your face from me in the day of my trouble.

Incline your ear to me; *
when I call, make haste to answer me,

For my days drift away like smoke, *
and my bones are hot as burning coals.

My heart is smitten like grass and withered, *
so that I forget to eat my bread.

Because of the voice of my groaning *
I am but skin and bones.

I have become like a vulture in the wilderness, *
like an owl among the ruins.

I lie awake and groan; *
I am like a sparrow, lonely on a house-top.

My enemies revile me all day long, *
and those who scoff at me have taken an oath against me.

For I have eaten ashes for bread *
and mingled my drink with weeping.

Because of your indignation and wrath *
you have lifted me up and thrown me away.

My days pass away like a shadow, *
and I wither like the grass.

But you, O God, endure for ever, *
and your Name from age to age.

You will arise and have compassion on Zion,
for now is the time to have mercy; *
indeed, the appointed time has come.

(Be still and aware)

Poem – “The Lake Isle of Innisfree” by William Butler Yeats

I will arise and go now, and go to Innisfree,
And a small cabin build there, of clay and wattles made;
Nine bean-rows will I have there, a hive for the honey-bee,
And live alone in the bee-loud glade.

And I shall have some peace there, for peace comes dropping slow,
Dropping from the veils of the morning to where the cricket sings;
There midnight’s all a glimmer, and noon a purple glow,
And evening full of the linnet’s wings.

I will arise and go now, for always night and day
I hear lake water lapping with low sounds by the shore;
While I stand on the roadway, or on the pavements grey,
I hear it in the deep heart’s core.

Prayers

May the sunlight and moonlight shine upon us.
God’s love is in us.

May God’s love shine in all people
God’s love is all in all.

May all people know God’s love
God’s love fills us all.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

As we await a new day,
Let all creation rest secure in your loving arms.

All shall be Amen and Alleluia. We shall rest and we shall see.
We shall see and we shall know. We shall know and we shall love.
We shall love and we shall praise. Behold our end, which is no end. Amen. (Saint Augustine)

Sources:

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