

**Compline – Monday, June 8, 2020**

*Praying with the Earth: A Prayerbook for Peace by John Philip Newell*

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“BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO WEEP, FOR THEIR TEARS WILL BE WIPED AWAY” (MATT 5:9)

PRAYER OF AWARENESS

At the setting of the sun  
in the darkness of the night  
with the brightness of the moon in its splendor  
we move with the earth as it turns  
we are carried by the hours in their passing  
we enter the dark with our years  
to seek shelter in night's sanctuary  
to find strength for our souls  
to know peace in our prayers and our resting.  
At the setting sun  
in the darkness of night  
with the brightness of the moon in its splendor  
we seek peace.

*(Be still and aware)*

God heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds (Psalm 147:3)

*Pause*

Do not be afraid. I am with you always (Matthew 28:10)

*Pause*

In the remembrance of God our hearts are comforted.

(Quran – Thunder 13:28)

*(Be still and aware)*

Poem – “Dreams” by Langston Hughes

Hold fast to dreams  
For if dreams die  
Life is a broken-winged bird  
That cannot fly.

Hold fast to dreams  
For when dreams go  
Life is a barren field  
Frozen with snow.

*(a moment of silence for reflection)*

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

##### PRAYER OF BLESSING

Peace for the earth and its creatures  
peace for the world and its peoples  
peace for our fathers  
peace for our mothers  
peace for our brothers and sisters  
The peace of heaven's vastness  
the peace of ocean's depths  
the peace of earth's stillness  
to bless us in the night  
to bless us this night

Sources:

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