An Order for Compline

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Richmond, Virginia

The Order for Compline is found on page 127 in the Book of Common Prayer. At St. Stephen's Church, the mixed *a cappella* choir Sanctuary chants this service. The following will help you follow the texts as they are sung at St. Stephen's on Sunday nights.

To see the repertoire for each Sunday evening, visit **ststephensRVA.org/compline.**

Introit polyphony

Jube domne benedicere Pray, Father, bless us.

Noctem quietam... May the Lord almighty

grant us a quiet night and a perfect end. Amen.

Fratres: sobrii estote... Short lesson: 1 Peter 5:8-9

Adjutorium nostrum... Our help is in the name

of the Lord.

Qui fecit caelum... Who made heaven and

earth.

Deus in adjutorium... O God, make speed to

help me.

Domine ad adjuvandum... O Lord, make haste to

help me.

Gloria Patri 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.

Pater noster... The Lord's Prayer

Psalm 4 The Book of Common

Prayer, page 587

Psalm 91 Prayer Book, page 719

Te lucis ante terminum... Hymn: Now, with the fast departing light...

Tu autem in nobis es... Chapter: Jeremiah 14:9
In manus tuas Domine... Responsory: Into thy
hands, O Lord...
Custodi nos... Keep me as the apple

Custodi nos... Keep me as the apple of your eye.

Sub umbra alarum... Hide me under the shadow of thy wings.

Salva nos, Domine... Antiphon: Guide us waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christm

peace.

and asleep we may rest in

Nunc dimittis... Song of Simeon, Prayer Book, page 135

Salva nos, Domine... antiphon is repeated

Motet polyphony
Dominus vobiscum. The Lord be with you.
Et cum spiritu tuo. And with thy spirit.
Benedicamus domino. Let us bless the Lord.
Deo Gratias. Thanks be to God.

Benedicat et custodiat... Blessing: May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. Amen.

Marian Anthem varies by season

Conditor alme siderum... Retiring Hymn:

Creator of the stars of night... (see Hymn 60 in Hymnal 1982)

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