

# ***Pilgrimage Night Prayer***

***A Compline Service***

## **Opening Song: Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord**

**Be still for the presence of the Lord,  
the holy one, is here,  
Come bow before him now  
with reverence and fear,  
In him no sin is found,  
we stand on holy ground,  
Be still for the presence of the Lord,  
the holy one, is here.**

**Be still for the glory of the Lord  
is shining all around,  
He burns with holy fire,  
with splendour he is crowned,  
How awesome is the sight,  
our radiant King of light,  
Be still for the glory of the Lord  
is shining all around.**

**Be still for the power of the Lord  
is moving in this place,  
He comes to cleanse and heal,  
to minister his grace,  
No work too hard for him,  
in faith receive from him,  
Be still for the power of the Lord  
is moving in this place.**

**Repeat Verse 1**

The angels of God guard us through the night  
**And quieten the powers of darkness**

The Spirit of God be our guide  
**To lead us to peace and to glory**

It is but lost labour that we haste to rise up early  
And so late take rest, and eat the bread of anxiety  
For those beloved of God are given gifts even while  
they sleep.

*Silence*

E te whanau, our help is in the name of the eternal  
God  
**Who is making the heavens and the earth**

Dear God, thank you for all that is good,  
For our creation and our humanity,  
For the stewardship you have given us of this  
planet earth,  
For the gifts of life and of one another, for your  
love which is unbounded and eternal.

O thou, most holy and beloved,  
Our companion, our Guide upon the way  
Taku whetu marama i te po/our bright evening star.

We repent of the wrongs we have done:

*Silence*

We have wounded your love  
**O God, heal us.**

We stumble in the darkness  
**Light of the world, transfigure us.**

We forget we are your home

## **Spirit of God dwell in us.**

Eternal Spirit, living God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being,  
all that we are, have been, and shall be is known to  
you,  
to the very secrets of our hearts  
and all that rises up to trouble us.  
Living flame, burn into us,  
Cleansing wind, blow through us  
Fountain of water, well up within us,  
That we may love and praise in deed and in truth.  
Amen

Eternal Spirit,  
Flow through our being and open our lips  
**That our mouths may proclaim your praise**  
Let us worship the God of love  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Reading:**

**Psalm:**

**Reflection: Lisa Emerson**

**Song:**

**Prayers:**

Into your hands O God, I commend my spirit  
**For you have redeemed me, O God of truth  
and love**

Keep me O God, as the apple of an eye;  
**Hide me under the shadow of your wings**

**Preserve us, O God, while waking  
And guard us while sleeping,  
That awake we may watch with Christ,  
And asleep may rest in your peace.**

Lord have mercy  
**Christ have mercy**  
Lord have mercy

**Sung 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 forever.**  
**Amen.**

### **Nunc Dimittis - Song of Simeon:**

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 shall be forever. Amen

I will lie down in peace and take my rest,  
**For it is in God alone that I will dwell unafraid**

Let us bless the Earth-maker, the Pain-bearer, the  
Life giver,  
**Let us praise and exalt God above all for ever**

May God's name be praised beyond the furthest  
star  
**Glorified and exalted above all for ever.**

**Be present, Spirit of God, within us,  
your dwelling place and home,  
that this house may be one where all  
darkness  
is penetrated by your light,  
all troubles calmed by your peace,  
all evil redeemed by your love,  
all pain transformed by your suffering,  
and all dying glorified in your risen life.**

Lord it is night  
The night is for stillness  
Let us be still in the presence of God.  
It is night after a long day  
What has been done has been done;  
What has not been done has not been done;  
Let it be.

The night is dark  
Let our fears of the darkness of the world and of  
our own

lives rest in you.  
The night is quiet  
Let the quietness of your presence enfold us,  
All dear to us, and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn,  
Let us look expectantly to a new day,  
New joys, new possibilities,  
In your name we pray

**Amen**

O God of love and mercy  
Grant us, with all your people, rest and peace.

The divine Spirit dwells in us

**Thanks be to God**

**The Blessing:**

**The Dismissal:**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

**Amen. We go in the name of Christ**