

An Order of Worship for the Evenings in Lent
Wednesday

Leader Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

Leader Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, kindle within us the fire of love, that by its cleansing flame we may be purged of all our sins and made worthy to worship you in spirit and in truth.

O Lord God Almighty, as you have taught us to call the evening, the morning, and the noonday one day; and have made the sun to know its going down: Dispel the darkness of our hearts, that by your brightness we may know you to be the true God and eternal light, living and reigning forever and ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 134 *said together*

- 1 Behold now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,
you that stand by night in the house of the LORD.
- 2 Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD:
The LORD who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

Scripture *Matthew 11: 28-30*

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

Leader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Reflection

Prayers

Leader Lord have mercy.

People **Christ have mercy.**

Leader Lord have mercy.

Let us pray together, saying the words of the Lord's prayer.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Leader Lord hear our prayer;

People **And let our cry come to you.**

Leader Let us pray.

Look down, O Lord, from your heavenly throne, and illumine this night with your celestial brightness; that by night as by day your people may glorify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. **Amen.**