

“Pray for the World”
An Order of Worship for the Evening

St. Gabriel’s Chapel in Zoom, and our homes, if possible, are dark, or partially so, when the service is to begin. The People say together what is in bold, speaking softly. Media supplied by Zoom screen sharing is marked with an asterisk () and cited for future use. Throughout this service, we move slowly and in a meditative fashion. There is no hurry tonight.*

The Officiant (Leader) begins the service with a greeting, appropriate to the season and as found on page 109 of the Book of Common Prayer.

*The Officiant offers a short reading from Scripture and then a prayer for light, or some other suitable prayer. The people say **Amen** when the prayer is ended. If we have them to hand, candles at our homes are now lighted, as are other candles and lights as may be convenient.*

During the candle-lighting, silence is kept. There is no hurry in the lighting of the candles. We wait for all to finish.

**A hymn or canticle is shared on screen. We listen in peace.*

A Selection from the Psalms is read by one or more of the People attending. Silence follows the reading from the Psalms.

A Gospel Lesson follows the Silence, preferably read by a deacon.

A brief passage from Christian literature may follow the Gospel Reading, followed in turn by discussion.

**A second hymn or canticle is shared on screen. We listen in peace.*

We pray together, for each other, for our communities and for the world. We say Peace to one another. A blessing such as that found below is offered by the Officiant or other person appointed.

The Officiant: The Lord bless us and keep us.

The People: **Amen.**

The Officiant: The Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us.

The People: **Amen.**

The Officiant: The Lord lift up his countenance upon us and give us peace.

The People: **Amen.**

If a deacon is present, they offer an appropriate dismissal, such as:

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! [Alleluia! Alleluia!]

The People respond: **Thanks be to God!**

In Easter Season, the People add: **Alleluia, alleluia.**