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The Gentle light of eventide is like the Father's face. The day now done we turn to you and rest in your embrace. Our Holy Lord and Love's pure light, the blessed Son of God, Has dwelt with us throughout the day, the light of truth and grace.

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The evening comes, the daylight fades, still praise of you abounds.
All creatures great and small alike in chorused praise resound.
So we your people gladly meet to sing with joyful voice,
The source of life, and help, and hope in Jesus we have found.

Psalm 23 †



The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and *
leads me beside still waters.
You restore my soul, O LORD,*
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; *
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, *
and my cup is running over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Praise the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit*
both now and forever.
The God who is, who was, and is to come*
at the end of the ages.

Silent Reflection

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Mary's Song - PHL RESIGNATION CDM

My soul proclaims that God is great. My spirit with joy swells.
My Savior has improved my fate, with favor his eye dwells.
So from this day they'll call me blessed, each generation tell,
Great things, the Lord upon me pressed. My heart and soul are well.

God's love and mercy rest on those who live in reverence,
And each new generation knows God's merciful presence.
The strength of God in shown in this — the mighty fall from power.
And from below our God does lift the lowly up, that hour.

God fills the hungry with good things. The rich are sent away.
To Israel God's aid does spring, and shows the faithful way.
The promise made to Abraham, that promise rests secure.
Throughout the earth in every land the love of God is sure!

Evening Collect (John 8:12, 9:5; Luke 24:29; Revelation 22:20; Psalm 141:2; Matthew 6:14)

Lord who is the light of the world:
You are the Sovereign over day and night —
of morning brilliance & the warm glow of vesper-light —
and now as the world is clothed in twilight I give thanks that you have graced me today with light. I thank you for the ways you have illumined my path and enlightened my mind. For new insight and deeper understanding, for instruction and intuition, for imagination and vision, I give you thanks.

At the hinge of evening I open my heart and mind to an examination of the day, trusting that you can be found in both my consolations and desolations.

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As the daylight fades and I approach the dark of night, send your Spirit to calm any restlessness which churns deep within me. Let your Spirit sweep over me giving form and substance to your love and granting me your deep and abiding peace. I ask this in the name of the one who comes — a light shining in darkness. Amen.

More Like You - PHL ADORO TE DEVOTE

Lord, in love you come to me full of truth & grace.
Bid me come and follow you, walking in your way.
With you at my right hand, Lord, I fear not though I fall.
Here I am, your servant Lord, answering your call.

Take my dry and dusty heart, sprinkle it with grace.
Let my heart awaken, God, enlightened by your face.
Shape me by your presence God, a vessel tried and true.
Cast me in your image, Lord. make me more like you.

Holy Spirit come now! Come disturb my sleep —
That I may weep with you, and with those who weep.
May those things which break your heart, Lord,
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Fill me with compassion, Lord. Make me more like you!

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