October 28—Pentecost XXII—Mark 10:47, 52

Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me! —Your faith has made you well.
Compline—Jer. 31:7: **Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel.**

October 31—Reformation—John 8:31f.

If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.
Compline—Jer. 31:33: **I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.**

November 1—All Saints—John 11:41f.

Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this… so that they may believe that you sent me.
Compline—Isaiah 25:9: **Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.**

November 4—Pentecost XXIII—Mark 12:29f.

Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
Compline—Deut. 6:4f.: **Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God, the LORD is one; you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.**

November 11—Pentecost XXIV—Mark 12:43f.

Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.
Compline—1 Kings 17:16: **The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the Word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.**

November 18—Pentecost XXV—Mark 13:6f.

Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, I am he, and they will lead many astray… but the end is still to come.
Compline—Daniel 12:1: **At that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book.**

November 25—Christ the King—John 18:36f.

My kingdom is not from this world… For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.
Compline—Daniel 7:14: **His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.**

These Brief Lessons follow the Revised Common Lectionary (1992). *Lessons for Compline may be used on the eve and the day. Verses from the Gospels may also be used as antiphons for the* Benedictus *at Matins and for the* Magnificat *at Vespers.*

The order of the Psalms for Prayers at Mid-morning—Terce, at Noon—Sext, and at Mid-afternoon—None, and for Prayer at the Close of the Day—Compline follows The Daily Prayer of the Church, *edited by Philip H. Pfatteicher* (2005).

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BRIEF LESSONS

for Prayers during the Day and at the Close of the Day

THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST 2012 (YEAR B)

Verses of Psalm 119 for Prayers at Mid-morning, Noon, and Mid-afternoon

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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Psalms for Prayer at the Close of the Day—*Compline*

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June 10—Pentecost II—Mark 3:35

Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.
Compline—Gen. 3:15: **He will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.**

June 17—Pentecost III—Mark 4:33

With many parables Jesus spoke the Word to them, as they were able to hear it.
Compline—Ezek. 17:24: **I the LORD have spoken; I will accomplish it.**

June 24—St. John the Baptist—Luke 1:76

You shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.
Compline—Mal. 3:1: **See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple.**

June 25–30—Week of Pentecost IV—Mark 4:40f.

Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith? —Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?
Compline—Job 38:1: **Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?**

June 29—St. Peter & St. Paul—John 21:15ff.

Feed my lambs; tend my sheep; feed my sheep; follow me.
Compline—Acts 12:11: **Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me.**

July 1—Pentecost V—Mark 5:34

Your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed.
Compline—Lam. 3:26: **It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.**

July 8—Pentecost VI—Mark 6:2

Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!
Compline—Ezek. 2:5: **Whether they hear or refuse to hear… they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.**

July 15—Pentecost VII—Mark 6:29

When John's disciples heard about [his beheading], they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.
Compline—Amos 7:15: **The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people Israel.**

July 22—Pentecost VIII—Mark 6:34

Jesus saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.
Compline—Jer. 23:3: **I myself will gather the remnant of my flock… and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply.**

July 29—Pentecost IX—John 6:10f.

Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them [and] they were satisfied—about five thousand in all.

Compline—2 Kings 4:43: **Give [the loaves] to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, They shall eat and have some left.**

August 5—Pentecost X—John 6:35

I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Compline—Ex. 16:12: **In the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.**

August 6—Transfiguration of Our Lord—Mark 9:7

This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!

Compline—2 Kings 2:11: **A chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven.**

August 12—Pentecost XI—John 6:51

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.

Compline—1 Kings 19:7: **Elijah ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.**

August 15—St. Mary, Mother of Our Lord—Luke 1:46ff:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

Compline—Isaiah 61:10: **I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation.**

August 19—Pentecost XII—John 6:53f.

Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day.

Compline—Prov. 9:5f.: **Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight.**

August 26—Pentecost XIII—John 6:68f.

Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.

Compline—Josh. 24:16, 18: **Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods... Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.**

September 2—Pentecost XIV—Mark 7:14ff.

Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. Let anyone with ears to hear listen.

Compline—Deut. 4:2: **You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you.**

September 9—Pentecost XV—Mark 7:37

Jesus has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.

Compline—Isaiah 35:4: **Say to those who are of a fearful heart, Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God... he will come and save you.**

September 14—Holy Cross—John 3:14f.

Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

Compline—Numbers 21:9: **So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.**

September 16—Pentecost XVI—Mark 8:34f.

If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

Compline—Isaiah 50:7f.: **The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced... and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.**

September 23—Pentecost XVII—Mark 9:35, 37

Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all... Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.

Compline—Jer. 11:20: **O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.**

September 29—St. Michael & All Angels—Luke 10:20

Do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

Compline—Daniel 12:1: **At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise... at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book.**

September 30—Pentecost XVIII—Mark 9:40f.

Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

Compline—Num. 11:29: **Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!**

October 7—Pentecost XIX—Mark 10:6ff.

From the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.

Compline—Gen. 2:24: **Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.**

October 14—Pentecost XX—Mark 10:21

You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.

Compline—Amos 5:14: **Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you.**

October 21—Pentecost XXI—Mark 10:45

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Compline—Isaiah 53:11: **The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.**