

# SPECIAL SERVICE OF PRAYER THE LITANY



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1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; Bear pa-tient-  
 2 Be still, my soul; your God will un-der-take To guide the  
 3 Be still, my soul; though dear-est friends de-part And all is  
 4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has-t'ning on When we shall



ly the cross of grief or pain; Leave to your God to or-der  
 fu-ture as He has the past. Your hope, your con-fi-dence let  
 dark-ened in this vale of tears; Then you will bet-ter know His  
 be-for-ev-er with the Lord, When dis-ap-point-ment, grief, and



and pro-vide; In ev-'ry change He faith-ful will re-  
 noth-ing shake; All now mys-te-rious shall be bright at  
 love, His heart, Who comes to soothe your sor-rows and your  
 fear are gone, Sor-row for-got, love's pur-est joys re-



main. Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n-ly Friend  
 last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
 fears. Be still, my soul; your Je-sus can re-pay  
 stored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



Through thorn-y ways leads to a joy-ful end.  
 His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be-low.  
 From His own full-ness all He takes a-way.  
 All safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last.

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- L** O Christ, **C** have mercy.
- L** O Lord, **C** have mercy.
- L** O Christ, **C** hear us.
- L** God the Father in heaven, **C** have mercy.
- L** God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **C** have mercy.
- L** God the Holy Spirit, **C** have mercy.
- L** Be gracious to us. **C** Spare us, good Lord.
- L** Be gracious to us. **C** Help us, good Lord.

**L** From all sin, from all error, from all evil;  
From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death;  
From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from  
rebellion;  
From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting  
death:

**C Good Lord, deliver us.**

**L** By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity;  
By Your baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by  
Your cross and passion; by Your precious death and burial;  
By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit,  
the Comforter:

**C Help us, good Lord.**

**L** In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and  
in the day of judgment:

**C Help us, good Lord.**

**L** We poor sinners implore You

**C to hear us, O Lord.**

**L** To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and  
ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your  
wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;  
To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all  
who have erred and are deceived;  
To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and  
to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

**C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**L** To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help  
the weakhearted and the distressed:

**C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**L** To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and  
strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need;  
To direct and defend our [*president/queen/king*] and all in authority; to bless and  
protect our magistrates and all our people;  
To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect  
and guide all who travel;  
To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing  
happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide  
for them;  
To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in  
bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

**C We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**L** To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

**C** **We implore You to hear us, good Lord.**

**L** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

**C** **we implore You to hear us.**

**L** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** **have mercy.**

**L** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** **have mercy.**

**L** Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

**C** **grant us Your peace.**

**L** O Christ, **C** **hear us.**

**L** O Lord, **C** **have mercy.**

**L** O Christ, **C** **have mercy.**

**L** O Lord, **C** **have mercy. Amen.**

**L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**C** **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  
forever and ever. Amen.**