

Shorter Daily Office: Friday Morning, Lent & Passion – Suffering God

(drawing on Hebrews)

Becoming present to God

Through a sign of attentiveness like lighting a candle and/or

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

Lord Jesus, we look to you,
pioneer and completer of our faith,
**who for the joy set before you
endured the cross.**

Celebrating the presence of God

Desert Christ and suffering Son,
image and kindness of God,
in wilderness lair and village square,
on city streets and Skull Hill,
**you earthed the glory of God,
and God's Spirit still
brings your radiance near.**

Lord who goes before us,
Thank you for every sign of your presence with us.

A pause to name any specific thanks or praise

Acknowledging our humanity

In you, Jesus,
we find solidarity with our weakness and hurting.

In you, Lord,
we find understanding of all that tempts us. *(Pause for quiet confession)*

As we bring our lives before you,
Help us to receive your kindness and grace:
Sins remembered no more,
**Your ways being written
on heart and mind.**

Listening for the Word *The Common Lectionary - Gospel and, optionally, other readings*

Canticle – Optional

Song of the Lord's Constancy

Yesterday, today, for ever, **Jesus is the same.** *(May be repeated)*

Reflecting on our roots

**Living God, enable us this day
to be pilgrims and companions:
committed to the way of Christ,
faithful to the call of Christ,
discerning the mind of Christ,
offering the welcome of Christ,
growing in the likeness of Christ,
engaging in the mission of Christ,
in the world that belongs to Christ.**

Bringing our concerns

We remember
those who are excluded and those who exclude
Silence

We remember
those who are ill-treated for their commitment to truth, faith or justice,
And those who mistreat them
Silence

Lord have mercy **Christ have mercy**

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Going to love and serve

Now may the God of peace,
make us complete in everything good,
**so that we may do his will,
through Jesus Christ,
to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

Optional: + In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.