Che Cwenty-second Day at Evening Prayer



- O GOD, my heart is ready, my heart is / ready; * I will sing, and give praise with the best / member that I have.
- 2. Awake, thou lute and / harp; * I myself will a/wake right early.
- 3. I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the / peoples; * I will sing praises unto thee a/mong the nations.
- 4. For thy mercy is greater than the / heavens, * and thy truth reach/eth unto the clouds.
- 5. Set up thyself, O God, above the / heavens, * and thy glory / above all the earth;
- 6. That thy beloved may be de/livered: * let thy right hand save / them, and hear thou me.
- 7. God hath spoken in his / holiness; * I will rejoice therefore, and divide Shechem, and mete out the val/ley of Succoth.
- 8. Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is / mine; * Ephraim also is the strength of my head; Judah / is my lawgiver;
- 9. Moab is my wash-pot; † over Edom will I cast out my / shoe; * upon Philistia / will I triumph.
- *10.* Who will lead me into the strong / city? * and who will bring me / into Edom?
- 11. Hast not thou forsaken us, O / God? * and wilt not thou, O God, go / forth with our hosts?
- 12. O help us against the / enemy: * for vain / is the help of man.
- *13.* Through God we shall do great / acts; * and it is he that shall tread / down our enemies.
- Glory be to the Father and to the / Son, * and / to the Holy Ghost.
- As it was in the beginning, † is now and ever / shall be, * world / without end. Amen.



- HOLD NOT thy tongue, O God / of my praise; * for the mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon / me.
- 2. And they have spoken against me / with false tongues; * they compassed me about also with words of hatred, and fought against me without a / cause.
- 3. For the love that I had unto them, lo, they take now my con/trary part; * but I give myself unto / prayer.
- 4. Thus have they rewarded me e/vil for good, * and hatred for my good / will.
- 5. Set thou an ungodly man to be ruler / over him, * and let an adversary stand at his right / hand.
- 6. When sentence is given upon him, let him / be condemned; * and let his prayer be turned into / sin.
- 7. Let his / days be few; * and let another take his of/fice.
- 8. Let his chil/dren be fatherless, * and his wife a wi/dow.
- 9. Let his children be vagabonds, and / beg their bread; * let them seek it also out of desolate pla/ces.
- *10.* Let the extortioner consume all / that he hath; * and let the stranger spoil his la/bor.
- 11. Let there be no / man to pity him, * nor to have compassion upon his fatherless chil/dren.
- *12.* Let his posterity / be destroyed; * and in the next generation let his name be clean put / out.
- 13. Let the wickedness of his fathers be had in remembrance in the sight / of the Lord; * and let not the sin of his mother be done a/way.
- 14. Let them alway be be/fore the Lord, * that he may root out the memorial of them from off the / earth;
- 15. And that, because his mind was not / to do good; * but persecuted the poor helpless man, that he might slay him that was vexed at the / heart.
- *16.* His delight was in cursing, and it shall happen / unto him; * he loved not blessing, therefore shall it be far / from him.
- 17. He clothed himself with cursing like as / with a raiment, * and it shall come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his / bones.



- 18. Let it be unto him as the cloak that he / hath upon him, * and as the girdle that he is alway girded with/al.
- *19.* Let it thus happen from the Lord un/to mine enemies, * and to those that speak evil against my / soul.
- *20.* But deal thou with me, O Lord God, according un/to thy Name; * for sweet is thy mer/cy.
- 21. O deliver me, for I am help/less and poor, * and my heart is wounded within / me.
- 22. I go hence like the shadow / that departeth, * and am driven away as the grass/hopper.
- 23. My knees are / weak through fasting; * my flesh is dried up for want of fat/ness.
- 24. I am become also a re/proach unto them: * they that look upon me shake their / heads.
- 25. Help me, O / Lord my God; * O save me according to thy mer/cy;
- *26.* And they shall know how that this / is thy hand, * and that thou, Lord, hast done / it.
- 27. Though they / curse, yet bless thou; * and let them be confounded that rise up against me; but let thy servant re/joice.
- 28. Let mine adversar/ies be clothed with shame; * and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a / cloak.
- *29.* As for me, I will give great thanks unto the Lord / with my mouth, * and praise him among the mul/titude;
- *30.* For he shall stand at the right hand / of the poor, * to save his soul from unrighteous judg/es.
- Glory be to the Father and / to the Son, * and to the Holy / Ghost.
- As it was in the beginning, † is now and / ever shall be, * world without end. A/men.