

To You, before the Close of Day

SATB, *divisi*, *a cappella*

Compline office hymn
tr. John M. Neale

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Peacefully (♩ = 44)

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass

Keyboard

p

p

(for rehearsal only)

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Text: Compline office hymn, ca. 6th century; *tr.* John M. Neale, 1818-1866, *alt.* (PD).

Tune: *JAM LUCIS*, Plainsong, Mode VI (PD).

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pos - ci - mus world, we pray. ut Your pro grace and tu - a peace to cle - men - ti - a us al - low

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sis prae - sul et cus - to - di - a. Nn,
and be our guard and keep - er now.

pp
Div.

Div.

oh, oh, oh,

mp

Save us from trou- bled, rest - less sleep, from all ill dreams your

oh, oh, oh,

oh, oh, aw,

oo, oh,

chil - dren keep; so calm our minds that fears may cease

(oh,) oo, oh,

ee, aw,

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oo, nn, *Div.*

and rest-ed bod-ies wake in peace. Oh, oo, nn, *Unison mp*

aw, oo. A

(aw.)

16

(nn.)

(nn.)

heal-thy life we ask of you, the fire of love in us re-new, and

19

noh, *ee,

noh, *ee,

when the dawn new light will bring, your praise and glo - ry

21

(ee.) oh, ee,

(ee.) oh, aw, *mf* Cre -

we shall sing. Ee, oh, aw, ee, *mf* Cre -

Oh, ee,

*Midwestern pear-shaped "ee," a darker "ee."

25 *Unison*

ah,
a - tor, this we ask be done through Je - sus Christ, your

(aw,) ah,
ah,

a - tor, this we ask be done through Je - sus Christ, your

aw,
ah, ee,

(ah.)
on - ly Son, whom with the Spir - it we a - dore, with you, one God for -

(ah.) oh,
(ah.)

on - ly Son, whom with the Spir - it we a - dore, with you, one God for -

(ee,) oh,

30

oh, oo, *pp*
 ev - er - more. Oh, *Unison*
 oh, oh, oo, *Unison*
 ev - er - more. Oh. A - men, oh.
 oo, aw, oh, *pp*

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(oo,) mm.
 (oo,) A - men, noh, oo, mm.
 (oh.) noh, oo, mm.
 (oh.) A - men, oo, mm.
 (oh.) oo.