Weekday Evening

**Blessed** are You, Eternal our God, Ruler of the universe,
who speaks the evening into being,
whose wisdom opens heaven’s gates,
whose understanding changes times and seasons,
and who arranges the stars in their heavenly courses according to plan.
You are Creator of day and night,
rolling light away from darkness and darkness from light,
transforming day into night and distinguishing one from the other.
*Adonai Tz’vaot* is Your name.
Ever-living God, may You reign over us into eternity.
Blessed are You, Eternal One, who brings on evening.

---

**Baruch** atah, Adonai
Eloheinu, Melech haolam,
asher bidvaro maariv aravim,
b’chochmah potei-ach sh’arim,
uvitvunah m’shaneh itim
umachalif et haz’manim,
u-m’sadeir et hakochavim
b’nishm’roteihem barakia kirtzono.

---

Borei yom valailah,
goleil or mipnei choshech
v’choshech mipnei or,
umaavir yom uumeivi lailah,
unavdil bein yom uvein lailah,
Adonai Tz’vaot sh’remo.
El chai v’kayam,
tamid yimloch aleinu l’olam va-ed.
Baruch atah, Adonai, hamaariv aravim.

---

*Adonai Tz’vaot*: this is one of many names that help elucidate God’s attributes. God designs, creates and arranges the universe with order and purpose.

From Mishkan T’filah: World Union Edition, copyright © 2010 by the Central Conference of American Rabbis. Used by permission of Central Conference of American Rabbis. All rights reserved. Not to be distributed, sold or copied without express written permission.