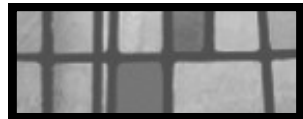
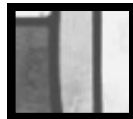


# IN THE SPIRIT OF TAIZÉ

## MARCH 13, 2020

Prayer in the spirit of the Taizé Community is a meditative form of common prayer. Gathered in the presence of Christ we sing uncomplicated, repetitive songs, uncluttered by too many words, allowing the mystery of God to become tangible through the beauty of simplicity. A few words sung over and over again reinforce the meditative quality of prayer. They express a basic reality of faith that can quickly be grasped by the intellect and that gradually penetrates the whole being.

**Silence** is observed by all prior to the service for prayer and reflection.



### GATHERING SONGS

#### Stay Here and Keep Watch

Ostinato Refrain

Stay here and keep watch with me. The hour has come.

Stay here and keep watch with me. Watch and pray.

# In Manus Tuas, Pater

Ostinato Refrain

(spí - ri - tum)

In ma - nus tu - as, Pa - ter, com - mén - do spí - ri - tum  
*In - to your hands, O Fa - ther, I now com - mend my*  
 Oh Pa - dre, en - tre tus ma - nos mi es - pí - ri - tu en -

me - um. In ma - nus tu - as, Pa - ter, com -  
*spir - it, In - to your hands, O Fa - ther, I*  
 tre - go. Oh Pa - dre, en - tre tus ma - nos mi es -

mén - do spí - ri - tum me - um. In  
*now com - mend my spir - it. In -*  
 pí - ri - tu en - re - go. Oh

*Last time* ☺ ,

*Last time* ☺ ,

Text: Psalm 31:6, Luke 23:46; Taizé Community  
 Tune: Taizé Community  
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# There Is One Lord

Ostinato Refrain

There is one Lord, one faith, one bap - tis - m,

There is one God who is Fa - ther of all.

Text: Ephesians 4; Taizé Community, 1984  
 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994  
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ANTIPHON AND PSALM

God Can Only Give Faithful Love/Psalm 103

God can on - ly give faith - ful love: ten - der - ness and for - give - ness!

Verses:

**A**

*Hum* (God ev - er car - ing.) God ev - er car - ing.

**B**

*Hum* (God who for - gives us.) God who for - gives us.

Text: Psalm 103; Taizé Community  
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READING

ISAIAH 43:18-21

## SONG AFTER THE READING

Following the reading there is a song, somewhat prolonged, which leads to an extended time of shared silence.

### God Is Forgiveness

Ostinato Refrain

God is for-give-ness. Dare to for-give and God will be with you.  
*Bóg jest mi - łość - cią miej-cie od - wa - gę żyć dla mi - łość - ci.*

The first system of musical notation is for the Ostinato Refrain. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time and the key of D major (two sharps). The melody in the treble clef is a simple, repetitive line of eighth and quarter notes. The bass clef provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

God is for-give-ness. Love, and do not fear.  
*Bóg jest mi - łość - cią. Nie lę - kaj - cie się.*

The second system of musical notation continues the Ostinato Refrain. It features the same treble and bass clef staves. The melody in the treble clef concludes with a final cadence. The bass clef accompaniment also concludes with a final cadence.

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## SILENCE

When we try to express communion with God in words, we rapidly reach the end of our capacities, which is why silence is so essential in discovering the heart of prayer. Remaining in silence in God's presence, open to the Spirit, is already prayer. (5-7 minutes)

## SONG OF LIGHT

Two ministers will come down the center aisle to light the candle of the person in each row nearest the center aisle. They in turn pass the light to the others in their row. As the church becomes full of light, the symbol emerges of our Christian identity as children of the light.

### Lord, Jesus Christ

Ostinato Refrain:

Lord Je-sus Christ, your light shines with-in us. Let not my doubts nor my

The Ostinato Refrain for 'Lord, Jesus Christ' is presented in a single system of musical notation. It includes a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time and the key of D major (two sharps). The melody in the treble clef is a simple, repetitive line of eighth and quarter notes. The bass clef provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

dark-ness speak to me. Lord Je-sus Christ, your light shines with-in us,

Let my heart al-ways wel-come your love.

Text: Psalm 139  
 Tune: Jaques Berthier, 1923-1994  
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## GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (*Stand*)

### Kyrie 7

Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son, Ky-ri-e e-

le i-son. (hum)

Text: Taizé Community  
 Tune: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)  
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## LORD'S PRAYER & CONCLUDING PRAYER

### PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS & MEDITATIVE SONGS

Prayer around the cross is a way of expressing an invisible communion not only with the crucified Jesus but with all who suffer. While the meditative singing continues, those who wish to do so come up to the cross to pray. After removing the drip guard around your candle and placing it in the baskets, your candle is placed in one of the terra-cotta pots near the cross.

A gesture is made such as placing their forehead on the wood of the cross, as a sign that you are silently entrusting to Christ all that burdens you as well as the difficulties of others. This prayer reminds us that here and now, risen from the dead, Christ accompanies every human being in his or her suffering, even when his presence is not recognized.

*You may be seated for the singing.*

## Crucem Tuam / O Lord, Your Cross

Ostinato Refrain

Cru - cem tu - am a - do - rá - mus Dó - mi -  
O Lord, your cross we adore and glo - ri -

ne, re - sur - re - cti - ó - nem tu - am lau - dá - mus Dó - mi -  
fy; for your ho - ly res - ur - rec - tion we praise you, Lord of

ne. Lau - dá - mus et glo - ri - fi - cá - mus.  
life. We praise you and we glo - ri - fy you.

Re - sur - re - cti - ó - nem tu - am lau - dá - mus Dó - mi - ne.  
For your ho - ly res - ur - rec - tion we praise you, Lord of life.

Text: Taizé Community, 1991

Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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## Let All Who Are Thirsty Come

Let all who are thirst-y, come. Let all who wish, re-ceive the

wa - ter of life free - ly. A - men, come, Lord  
 Je - sus. A - men, come, Lord Je - sus.

Text: Taizé Community  
 Tune: Taizé Community  
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## Nunc Dimittis/Luke 2:29

### Ostinato Refrain

Nunc di - mít - tis ser - vum tu - um, Dó - mi -  
*Let your ser - vant now go in peace, O*

ne, se - cún - dum ver - bum  
*Lord, now go in peace ac -*

ne, Dó - mi - ne,  
*Lord, O Lord,*

pa - ce.  
*word.*

tu - um in pa - ce, Dó - mi - ne. Nunc di -  
*cord - ing to your word, to your word. Let your*

*Last time*

*Last time*

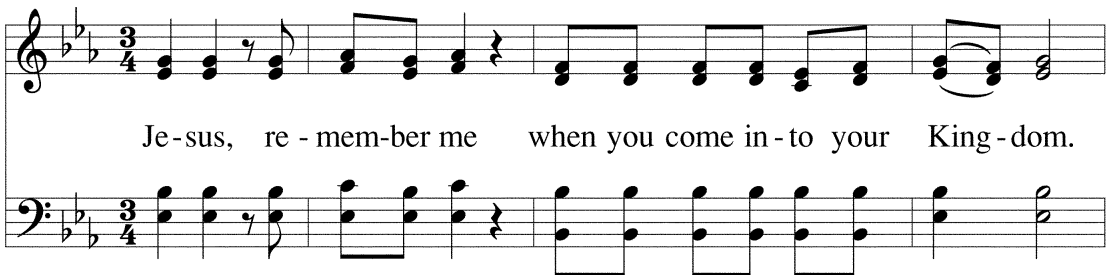
Text: Luke 2:29; Taizé Community, 1980  
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Right at the depth of the human condition, lies the longing for a presence, the silent desire for a communion. Let us never forget this simple desire for God is already the beginning of faith."


~ Brother Roger, founder of the Taizé community

## Jesus, Remember Me

Ostinato Refrain



Je-sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.



Je-sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community, 1981  
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994  
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As we gathered in silence, so too do **we depart in silence.**

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