

TAIZÉ PRAYER



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.

GATHERING CHANTS

Ubi Caritas

Refrain


U - bi cá - ri - tas et a - mor,
Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,
Don - de hay a - mor y ca - ri - dad,

u - bi cá - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there.
don - de hay a - mor Dios a - llí es - tá.

Text: 1 Corinthians 13:2-8, 13; Taizé Community, 1978
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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Da Pacem Cordium

(A)



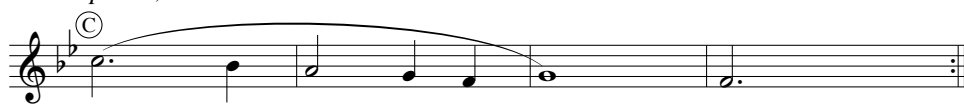
Da pa - cem cor - di - um. Da pa - cem cor - di - um. Da
Give peace to ev - 'ry heart. Give peace to ev - 'ry heart. Give

(B)



pa - - - - - cem. Da
peace, - - - - - Lord. Give

(C)



pa - - - - - cem.
peace, - - - - - Lord.

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PSALM

Christe Jesu Lumen Cordium



Chri-ste Je-su lu-men cor-di - um lau - da-bo te.

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Translation: *Christ Jesus, light of our hearts, I will praise you.*

READING

SONG AFTER THE READING

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

Lord, You Are Living Water / Tu Sei Sorgente Viva

Ostinato

Tu sei sor - gen - te vi - va, tu sei fuo - co, sei ca - ri - tà.
Tú e - res fuen - te vi - va, e - res fue - go y ca - ri - dad.
Lord, you are liv - ing wa - ter, you are light and fire, you are love.

Vie - ni, Spi - ri - to San - to, vie - ni, Spi - ri - to San - to.
Ven, Es - pí - ri - tu San - to, ven, Es - pí - ri - tu San - to.
Come, O Ho - ly Spir - it, come, O Ho - ly Spir - it.

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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)

INTERCESSIONS

Kyrie 18

The musical score for Kyrie 18 is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - . The second system also has a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: le - i - son. The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing chords. The second system ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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LORD’S PRAYER

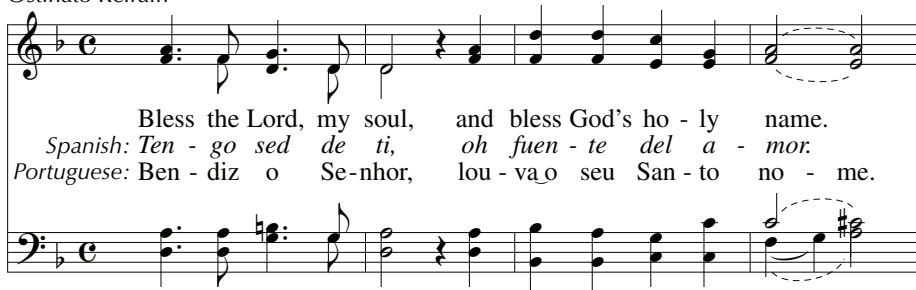
PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS

Christians have always commemorated each week the central mystery of their faith: the Paschal mystery, the dying and rising of Christ. This mystery sheds light on our own lives as followers of Jesus, as we constantly “pass over” with him from doubt and anxiety to confident trust, through little deaths to new beginnings.


Prayer around the Cross is a way of expressing an invisible communion not only with the crucified Jesus but with all who suffer—all the victims of abandonment, abuse, discrimination or torture. While the meditative singing continues, those who wish come up to the Cross to pray. They can make a gesture, such as placing their forehead on the wood of the Cross, as a sign that they are entrusting silently to Christ all that burdens them as well as the difficulties of other people, both those known personally and those who are far away but are part of the same human family. This prayer reminds us that now, risen from the dead, Christ accompanies every human being in his or her suffering, even when his presence is not recognized.

Bless the Lord

Ostinato Refrain



Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.
Spanish: Ten - go sed de ti, oh fuen - te del a - mor.
Portuguese: Ben - diz o Se-nhor, lou - va_o seu San - to no - me.



Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.
Ten - go sed de ti: tu a - mor es li - ber - tad.
Ben - diz o Se-nhor, que a vi - da nos con - duz.

Text: Psalm 103
 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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God Is Forgiveness

Ostinato Refrain



God is for - give - ness. Dare to for - give and God will be with you.
Polish: Bóg jest mi - łoś - cią miej - cie od - wa - gę żyć dla mi - łoś - ci.
Spanish: Dios es ter - nu - ra. Dios vi - ve en ti; a - tré - ve - te a a - mar.



God is for - give - ness. Love, and do not fear.
Bóg jest mi - łoś - cią. Nie lę - kaj - cie się.
Dios es ter - nu - ra. No hay por - qué te - mer.

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 Tune: Taizé Community
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Nothing Can Ever

Refrain A

Noth - ing can ev - er come be - tween us and the love of God, the
 Nun - ca na - da po - drá pri - var - nos del a - mor de Dios, a -

love of God re - vealed to us in Christ Je - sus.
 mor de Dios que se re - ve - la en Cris - to.

Last time

Verses B

Oh, Oh.

Text: Psalm 56:4-5, 10-14, Romans 8:39; Taizé Community
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Take, O Take Me As I Am

Ostinato Refrain

Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall

be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b.1949
 Tune: John L. Bell, b.1949
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Nada Te Turbe / Nothing Can Trouble

Ostinato Refrain

1.

Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te. Quien a Dios tie - ne
Noth - ing can trou - ble, noth - ing can fright - en. Those who seek God shall
 *Korean: 두 러 위 말 라 걱 정 을 말 라 주 님 계 시 니

2.

na - da le fal - ta. So - lo Dios bas - ta.
nev - er go want - ing. God a - lone fills us.
 아 쉬 움 없 네 주 님 안 에 서

*Korean transliteration: Du-lyeo-wo mal-la geog-jeong-eul mal-la
 Ju-nim gye-si-ni a-swi-um eobs-ne.
 Du-lyeo-wo mal-la geog-jeong-eul mal-la
 Ju-nim an-e-seo.

Jesus, Remember Me

Ostinato Refrain



Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.
Spanish: Je - sús, re - cuér - da - me cuan - do en - tres en tu Rei - no.
Polish: Je - zu, w kró - les - twie Twym wspom - nij na swo - je - go słu - gę.

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