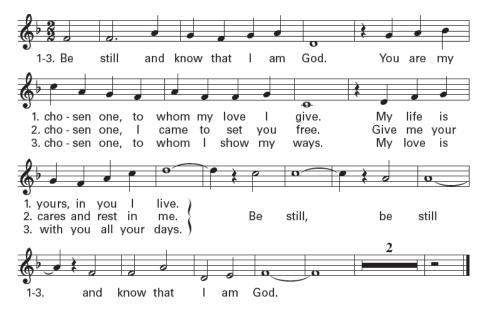
# In the Spirit of Taizé

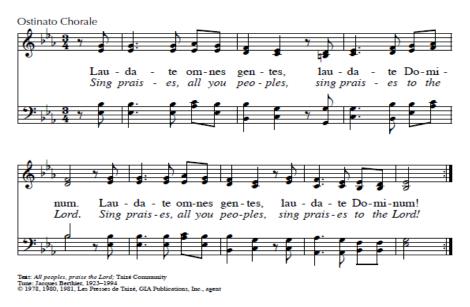
Prayer in the spirit of the Taize Community is a meditative form of common prayer. Gathered in the presence of Christ we sing uncomplicated, repetitive songs, uncluttered by too many words, allowing the mystery of God to become tangible through the beauty of simplicity. A few words sung over and over 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.

#### Be Still and Know that I Am God

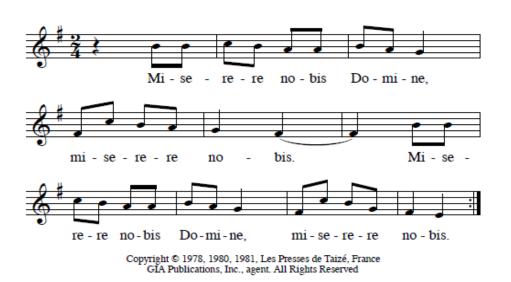


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#### Sing Praises, All You People



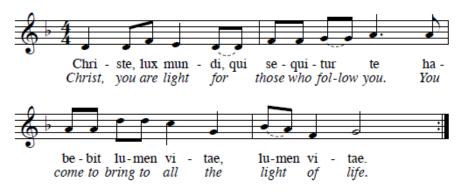
### Misere Nobis, Have mercy on us, O Lord



Reading: Ephesians 2:4-6

**Song After the Reading:** during this song we will light our candles and stand them in the sand-filled containers. Please place the candles from the back to the front of the containers so others will not get burned..

### Christ, You Are Light



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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. (8-10 minutes)

# Response is Sung

# **Leader:**

For victims of war and violence...

For those wounded by the constraints and the harshness of life...

For the elderly and the ill who are alone...

For those who devote their energies to restoring peace, to creating justice, to helping those who suffer...

O Christ, you died and rose for us so that nothing can ever separate us from the love of God...

## **Response to Petitions**



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### We Adore You, O Lord,



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# Song of Praise



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#### The Lord's Prayer

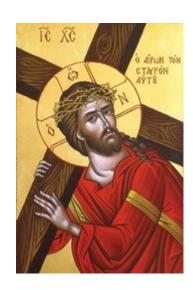
#### **Concluding Prayer**

ALL: Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. **Amen.** 

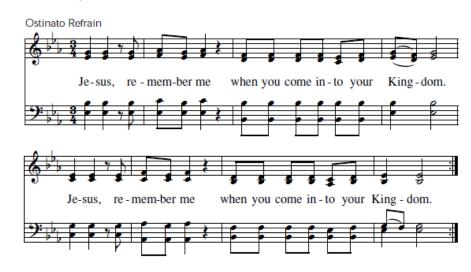
## Song of Simeon



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#### Jesus, Remember Me



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