



In the Spirit of Taizé

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.

Jesus, Remember Me

Ostinato Refrain

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

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Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community, 1981
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Be Still and Know that I Am God

1-3. Be still and know that I am God. You are my

1. cho-sen one, to whom my love I give. My life is
 2. cho-sen one, I came to set you free. Give me your
 3. cho-sen one, to whom I show my ways. My love is

1. yours, in you I live. } Be still, be still
 2. cares and rest in me. }
 3. with you all your days. }

1-3. and know that I am God.

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**Saint Josephine
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 The Catholic Community of Rocky Hill, CT

Sing Praises, All You People

Ostinato Chorale

Lau - da - te om - nes gen - tes, lau - da - te Do - mi -
Sing prais - es, all you peo - ples, sing prais - es to the

num. Lau - da - te om - nes gen - tes, lau - da - te Do - mi - num!
Lord. Sing prais - es, all you peo - ples, sing prais - es to the Lord!

Text: All peoples, praise the Lord; Taizé Community
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The Road of Mercy

1-6. The road of mer - cy leads us to the heart of God.

1. How can we shine as light to the world?
2. How can we pro - claim peace to the world?
3. How can we serve as hope for the world?
4. How can we kin - dle joy in the world?
5. How can we fos - ter zeal in the world?
6. How can we live as leav - en in the world?

1-6. Act just - ly, love ten - der - ly, walk

1-6. hum - bly with your God.

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Reading: Ephesians 2:4-6

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, 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

Now, O God, let your ser - vant go. Let me go in peace ac -

cord - ing to your word. For my eyes be - hold your sav - ing work:

a light for all the world, all praise to you.

Final
All praise to you. All praise to you.

Text: Based on Luke 2:29-32; *Nunc dimittis*.
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We Adore You, O Lord,

A - do - rá - mus te, A - do - rá - mus te, Dó - mi - ne. (hum)

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Song of Praise

In you our hearts find rest and peace - ful
En tout, la paix du cœur, la joie se -

glad - ness. In you our hearts find
rei - ne. En tout, la paix du

rest and peace - ful glad - ness.
cœur, la joie se - rei - ne.
Last time Last time

Text: Psalm 62; Taizé Community
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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..

Love, Burn Bright

Chris de Silva

Christ our Light, il - lu - mi - nate ev - 'ry path that
leads to you. Give us grace, Lord guide our way:
Love, burn bright. In your light, Lord,
ev - 'ry day, ev - 'ry way, we fol - low you.
Grant us peace to jour - ney through: Love, burn bright.

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)

Litany: *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

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer:
when I call an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O
Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O

Text: Psalm 102; Taizé Community, 1982
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