

Evening Taizé Prayer

16 Jun 2022 7:00 p.m.

Live Stream @ St Anselm
Roman Catholic Church,
Sudbury, Massachusetts

Taizé Prayer is filled with song, scripture, and silent meditation. It is based on Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours and is modeled on the style of prayer in the Taizé Community in France. The church is candle-lit and the music is repetitive and chant-like. Those who attend regularly find a profound peace and tranquility in this style of prayer. Everyone, regardless of one's faith tradition, is welcome to this ecumenical prayer service.

For those who are new to this prayer style, here are a few aides to the prayer:

1) We gather in communal prayer and we are delighted to be able to sing together!

2) In the prayer of Taizé, repetition is important. Repeating a song gives us time to meditate on the deeper meaning of the lyrics and it also allows us to pause at times so that we can listen to the song without singing. In this way when we sing, we support others' prayer and when we are silent, others support our quiet reflection. For those in the Church, it is an opportunity to meditate deeply on the texts we sing.

3) The period of silence is about 5 minutes in length for silent prayer.

4) we look forward to praying with you. Learn more about the international, ecumenical community of Taizé by visiting them on the web at: www.taize.fr. If you enjoy the style of prayer from the Taizé community, you are invited to join them virtually from their community in France: https://www.taize.fr/en_article28227.html.

VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS

Veni, Creator, veni Creator, veni Creator Spiritus

(Come, Creator, Holy Spirit, come Creator Spirit, come!)

LORD GOD, YOU LOVE US

Lord God, you love us, source of compassion.

EL ALMA QUE ANDA EN AMOR

El alma que anda en amor, ni cansa, ni se cansa.

(The soul filled by love, neither tires others nor grows tired)

GLORIA ET IN TERRA PAX

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo, gloria, gloria, alleluia!

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

(Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.)

SCRIPTURE

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others.

Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward.

But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret.

And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

“When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them.

Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward.

But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret.

And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

“When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting.

Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward.

But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to others to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden.

And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.”

(Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18)

O LORD, THE LIGHT OF MY LIFE

O Lord the light of my life
My God shine out within my darkness
My God, my God, shine out within my darkness
My God, my God, shine out within my darkness

IN TE CONFIDO

Jesu Christe O in te confido.
(Jesus Christ, I trust you.)

SILENCE

GOSPODI POMILUJ C

Gospodi pomiluj.
(Lord have mercy)

CHRISTE SALVATOR

Christe Salvator, Filius Patris, dona nobis pacem
(Christ Savior, Son of the Father, grant us peace)

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

MAGNIFICAT

Magnificat, magnificat, magnificat anima mea Dominum
Magnificat, Magnificat, magnificat anima mea.

(Sing out my soul, sing out my soul, sing out and glorify the Lord who sets us free. Sing out my soul, sing out my soul, sing out and glorify the Lord God!)