



**Trinity
Church**

A Parish in the
City of New York

St. Paul's Chapel



Taizé Evening Prayer

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Sunday 4pm

Welcome to Trinity Church

We're an Episcopal parish where all are invited to participate in the life of our community. Worship is at the heart of everything we do. It opens us to the wondrous reality of our loving God, gathering and focusing us on what matters.

Together we put our faith into practice. In our homes, at work and school, and in all our civic endeavors, we follow Jesus by serving our neighbors. We believe church at its best is an expression of God's justice-oriented love in the world.

We're glad you're here and hope you will encounter and be transformed by the presence of God in Jesus Christ. Take part in a way that's comfortable for you. If you're new to Trinity, please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy.

ABOUT THIS SERVICE

Taizé

The Taizé Community, located in the Burgundy region of France, is made up of over 80 brothers from various Christian denominations, coming from around 30 nations. By its very existence, the community is a “parable of community” that wants its life to be a sign of reconciliation between divided Christians and between separated peoples.

Certain brothers live in some of the disadvantaged places in the world, to be witnesses of peace there, alongside people who are suffering. These small groups of brothers, in Asia, Africa and South America, share the living conditions of the people around them. They strive to be a presence of love among the very poor, the homeless, prisoners, the dying, and those who are wounded by broken relationships, or who have been abandoned.

The worship is characterized by meditative prayer and a style of music that highlights simple phrases—usually lines from the Psalms or other pieces of Scripture—repeated or sung in canon. Such services offer a unique approach to discovering God's love.

Silence and prayer

If we take as our guide the oldest prayer book, the biblical Psalms, we note two main forms of prayer. One is a lament and cry for help. The other is thanksgiving and praise to God. On a more hidden level, there is a third kind of prayer, without demands or explicit expression of praise. In Psalm 131, for instance, there is nothing but quietness and confidence: “I have calmed and quieted my soul ... hope in the Lord from this time on and forevermore.”

At times prayer becomes silent. Peaceful communion with God can do without words. “I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother.” Like the satisfied child who has stopped crying and is in its mother’s arms, so can “my soul be with me” in the presence of God. Prayer then needs no words, maybe not even thoughts.

How is it possible to reach inner silence? Sometimes we are apparently silent, and yet we have great discussions within, struggling with imaginary partners or with ourselves. Calming our souls requires a kind of simplicity: “I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvellous for me.” Silence means recognising that my worries can’t do much. Silence means leaving to God what is beyond my reach and capacity. A moment of silence, even very short, is like a holy stop, a sabbatical rest, a truce of worries.

Silence and love

Christ says: “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you” (John 15:12). We need silence in order to welcome these words and put them into practice. When we are agitated and restless, we have so many arguments and reasons not to forgive and not to love too easily. But when we “have calmed and quieted our soul,” these reasons turn out to be quite insignificant. Maybe we sometimes avoid silence, preferring whatever noise, words or distraction, because inner peace is a risky thing: it makes us empty and poor, disintegrates bitterness and leads us to the gift of ourselves. Silent and poor, our hearts are overwhelmed by the Holy Spirit, filled with an unconditional love. Silence is a humble yet secure path to loving.

Evening Prayer

Please maintain silence until the service begins.

Song

Bless the Lord

CDT 5

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Song

The kingdom of God

CDT 115

The king - dom of God is jus - tice and peace and

joy in the Ho - ly Spir - it. Come, Lord, and

o - pen in us the gates of your king - dom.

Psalm 104

Alleluia 7

CDT 69

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Choir

Bless the LORD, O my soul; *

O LORD my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with majesty and splendor.

You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak *
and spread out the heavens like a curtain. **Alleluia**

You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; *
you make the clouds your chariot;
you ride on the wings of the wind.

You make the winds your messengers *
and flames of fire your servants. **Alleluia**

You have set the earth upon its foundations, *
so that it never shall move at any time.

You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; *
the waters stood higher than the mountains. **Alleluia**

At your rebuke they fled; *
at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.

They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, *
to the places you had appointed for them. **Alleluia**

You set the limits that they should not pass; *
they shall not again cover the earth.

O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures. **Alleluia**

The Reading

Mark 10:35–37, 41–45

Reader James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Song

See, I am near

CDT 109

A soloist sings verses in French.

All sing the refrain.

The musical notation consists of three staves in 4/4 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain: "See, I am near," says the Lord. The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "See, I make all things new." The third staff contains the melody for the final line: "Oh, oh." The melody is simple and melodic, with a final cadence at the end of the third staff.

Silence

The Prayers

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Leader May your peace shine among us and your love set us free, Lord, we pray:

All sing the Kyrie.

Kyrie 18

CDT 87

Musical notation for the first part of the Kyrie 18. It consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e -

Musical notation for the second part of the Kyrie 18. It consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: le - i - son.

Leader For our families and for those who are dear to us, Lord, we pray: **Kyrie**

Leader O Christ, you have taken our weaknesses upon yourself and taken charge of our illnesses; support those who are going through trials: **Kyrie**

Leader That all of us may seek the visible unity of those who love Christ, Lord we pray: **Kyrie**

Leader For those who work for reconciliation and for peace between people and nations, Lord, we pray: **Kyrie**

Leader For those who work with the oppressed, with foreigners and with the lonely, Lord, we pray: **Kyrie**

The Lord's Prayer

Notre Père

CDT 144

No - tre Pè - re qui es aux cieux, que ton nom soit sanc - ti - fié, que ton rè - gne vien - ne.

Que ta vo - lon - té soit fai - te sur la ter - re, comme au ciel. Don - ne - nous au - jour - d'hui no - tre pain de ce jour.

Par - don - ne nous nos of - fen - ses, com - me nous par - don - nons aus - si à ceux qui nous ont of - fen - sés.

Et ne nous lais - se pas en - trer en ten - ta - tion, mais dé - li - vre - nous du mal. A - - men.

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name. Your kingdom come.
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Keep us from temptation, and deliver us from evil. Amen.*

Prayer by Brother Roger

Taizé

Officiant In following you, O Christ,
we choose to love and not to harden our hearts,
even when the incomprehensible happens.
As we remain in your presence with perseverance,
day after day, and pray with simplicity of heart,
you come and make us into people
who are a leaven of confident trust by the way we live.
And all that your Gospel calls us to,
all that you ask of us, you give.

The light is brought to the congregation.

Song

Christe, lux mundi

CDT 125

Chri - ste, lux mun - di, qui se - qui - tur te ha -
Christ, you are light for those who fol - low you. You

be - bit lu - men vi - tae, lu - men vi - tae.
come to bring to all the light of life.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The second system also ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Song

El Senyor

CDT 17

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
El Se - nyor és la me - va for - ça, el Se - nyor el me - u

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat. The melody in the treble staff consists of eighth and quarter notes, while the bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment of chords and single notes.

joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid; lift up your
cant. Ell m'ha e - stat la sal - va - ci - ó. En ell con -

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. It includes a triplet of eighth notes in the treble staff, marked with a '3' above the notes. The lyrics are split across two lines.

voic - es, the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.
fi - o, i no tinc por. En ell con - fi - o, i no tinc por.

The third system concludes the piece with a double bar line. The melody and accompaniment continue with eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are split across two lines.

Song

Dans nos obscurités

CDT 1

Dans nos ob - scu - ri - tés *al - lu - me le*
With - in our dark - est night, you kin - dle the

feu qui ne s'é-teint *ja - mais,* *ne s'é-teint* *ja -*
fire that nev - er dies a - way, nev - er dies a -

mais. *Dans nos ob - scu - ri - tés,* *al - lu - me le*
way. With - in our dark - est night, you kin - dle the

feu qui ne s'é-teint *ja - mais,* *ne s'é-teint* *ja - mais.*
fire that nev - er dies a - way, nev - er dies a - way.
Last time (with fermata)

Song

I am sure I shall see

CDT 127

I am sure I shall see the good-ness of the Lord in the

land of the liv - ing. Yes, I shall see the

good-ness of our God, hold firm, trust in the Lord.

Last time ☺

Last time ☺

The congregation places their tapers in the candlebox as they depart.

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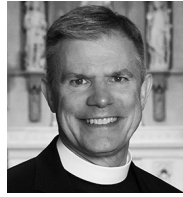
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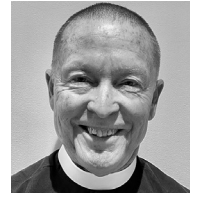
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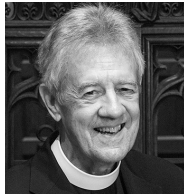
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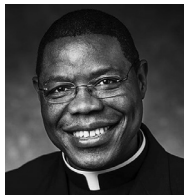
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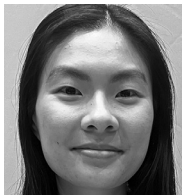
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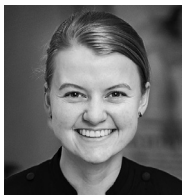
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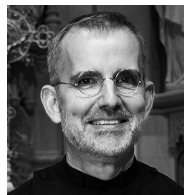
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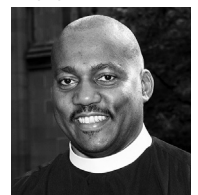
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