

Taizé for Lent



A reflective service with candlelight
and the music of the Taizé community

Saturday 6 April 2025
7.30pm

Singers welcome 6.45pm

Welcome to this service of reflective prayer. The words and songs of this service move in and out of an underlying silence. There will be a period of silence between each section of the service.

Opening Song

Laudate Omnes Gentes, Laudate Dominum

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(Praise the Lord all you people)

Taizé Bk. 1:48

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nYBfHdbf-6M>

The Lighting of the Candles

L. Come to us this night O God,

R. Come to us with light.

L. Speak to us this night O God,

R. Speak to us your truth.

L. Dwell with us this night O God,

R. Dwell with us in love.

Song

The kingdom of God is justice and peace
and joy in the Holy Spirit.

Come, Lord, and open in us
the gates of your kingdom.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WL1_lhVTJmk

SENTENCE

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die.

John 11: 25a-26

SILENCE

Song

God is forgiveness,
Dare to forgive and God will be with you,
God is forgiveness,
Love and do not fear

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQv8lQs7fTQ>

Gospel Reading

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Song

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x5CwFCElqWM>**Homily**

The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould

Intercessions

O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer

When I call - answer me

O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer.

Come and listen to me

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5iYPPaqOaNo>**The Lord's Prayer**

Music for reflection and lighting of candles

Song I am sure I shall see
the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living.
Yes, I shall see
the goodness of our God,
hold firm, trust in the Lord
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Wm_hjF_PO8&t=36s

Song Ubi caritas et amor
Ubi caritas Deus ibi est
(Where charity and love are found, God is there)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2o27qpvfUc>

Concluding Prayer

Deep peace of the running wave to you,
Deep peace of the flowing air to you,
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.
Deep peace of the shining stars to you.
Deep peace of the gentle night to you,
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you
Deep peace of Christ the light of the world to you:
Deep peace of Christ. (Scots Celtic Prayer)

Blessing

Song Don't be afraid, my love is stronger
My love is stronger than your fear
Don't be afraid, my love is stronger
And I have promised, promised to be always near. (John Bell)

NOTICES

The next Taizé service will be Saturday 3 May 2025
Please stay for supper. Thank you to everyone who contributed to tonight's service.