

# Taizé



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# AN ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR EVENING / EVENING PRAYER

*Our service this evening begins on page 109 of the Book of Common Prayer.*

*Officiant:* Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one lights a lamp to put it under a bucket, but on a lamp-stand where it gives light for everyone in the house. And you, like the lamp, must shed light among your fellow men, so that they may see the good you do, and give glory to your Father in heaven." *Matthew 5:14-16*

## Opening Song

### *Spirit of the Living God*

Daniel Iverson

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me, Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness we may have a vision of that holy City, where dwells the true and never-failing Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

Bless - ed are they who fol - low the law of the Lord!

A                    D                    Bm                    E                    E<sup>7</sup>                    A

## O GRACIOUS LIGHT

BCP 112

**O gracious light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of Life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.**

## SELECTION FROM THE PSALTER

Psalm 119:25-48

*Officiant:*        O God, make speed to save us.

*People:*            **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

- 25 My soul cleaves to the dust; \* give me life according to your word.  
 26 I have confessed my ways, and you answered me; \* instruct me in your statutes.  
 27 Make me understand the way of your commandments, \* that I may meditate on your marvelous works.  
 28 My soul melts away for sorrow; \* strengthen me according to your word.  
 29 Take from me the way of lying; \* let me find grace through your law.  
 30 I have chosen the way of faithfulness; \* I have set your judgments before me.  
 31 I hold fast to your decrees; \* O LORD, let me not be put to shame.  
 32 I will run the way of your commandments, \* for you have set my heart at liberty.  
 33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, \* and I shall keep it to the end.  
 34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; \* I shall keep it with all my heart.  
 35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, \* for that is my desire.  
 36 Incline my heart to your decrees \* and not to unjust gain.  
 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; \* give me life in your ways.  
 38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, \* which you make to those who fear you.  
 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, \* because your judgments are good.  
 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; \* in your righteousness preserve my life.  
 41 Let your loving-kindness come to me, O LORD, \* and your salvation, according to your promise.  
 42 Then shall I have a word for those who taunt me, \* because I trust in your words.  
 43 Do not take the word of truth out of my mouth, \* for my hope is in your judgments.  
 44 I shall continue to keep your law; \* I shall keep it for ever and ever.  
 45 I will walk at liberty, \* because I study your commandments.  
 46 I will tell of your decrees before kings \* and will not be ashamed.  
 47 I delight in your commandments, \* which I have always loved.  
 48 I will lift up my hands to your commandments, \* and I will meditate on your statutes.

**All:        Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen**

## THE GOSPEL

*read by David Stooksbury*

Matthew 25:31-46

‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, “Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.” Then the righteous will answer him, “Lord,

when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

*The Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Song**

*Ubi Caritas*  
 1. Piano 2. Cantor 3. All

E F#m7SUS4 E/G# A/C# B/D# E

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
 Where there is char - i - ty, self - less love,

A A E7/B A/C# B/D# E

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.  
 where there is char - i - ty, God is tru - ly there.

**CONTEMPLATIVE SILENCE**

*Invitation by Officiant to reflect on what the Divine Spirit is saying to each of us at this moment.*

**A SONG OF CREATION**

BCP 88

*Invocation*

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
 In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

*The People of God*

**Let the people of God glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**  
**Glorify the Lord, O priests and servants of the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**  
**Glorify the Lord, O spirits and souls of the righteous, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**  
**You that are holy and humble of heart, glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.**

*Doxology*

Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.  
 In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

## A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

**We thank you, Lord.**

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

**To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## Song

*Nunc Dimittis*

1. Piano 2. Cantor 3. All

(Luke 2:29)  
♩ = 70

C G C G C F A D

Nunc di - mit - tis ser - vum tu - um Do - mi - ne, se -  
Let your ser - vant now - go in peace, O Lord, now -

ne, Do - mi - ne,  
Lord, O Lord,

Am D Am C G C G Last time C

cun - dum ver - bum tu - um in - pa - ce, Nunc di -  
go in peace ac - cord - ing to your word, Let your

(Do - mi - ne.)  
(to your word.)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY  
SELECTED COLLECTS

Almighty, everlasting God, let our prayer in your sight be as incense, the lifting up of our hands as the evening sacrifice. Give us grace to behold you, present in your Word and Sacraments, and to recognize you in the lives of those around us. Stir up in us the flame of that love which burned in the heart of your Son as he bore his passion, and let it burn in us to eternal life and to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless us and keep us. **Amen.**

The Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us. **Amen.**

The Lord lift up his countenance upon us and give us peace. **Amen.**

BCP 114

*Officiant:*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20, 21*

*About Taizé...*

*Taizé (pronounced "teh-ZAY") is not a musical form but rather a worship style made popular through the work of the ecumenical Christian community in Taizé, France. The retreat center there (founded in 1940 by Brother Roger Schütz) is visited every year by thousands of visitors, and services are held in many languages. The community has become one of the world's most important sites of Christian pilgrimage, with a primary focus on youth. The music of Taizé emphasizes simple phrases, usually lines from Psalms or other pieces of Scripture repeated and sometimes sung in canon. Ecumenical services based on this model and music are held in many churches throughout the world.*



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