



# Taizé Prayer for 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter

14 May 2025



## Opening Prayer

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

**Chant I Surrexit Christus** *(The Lord is risen alleluia. Sing out and praise the Lord, alleluia)*

The image displays a musical score for two stanzas of a hymn. Each stanza consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The first stanza begins with a vocal line marked 'O' and a piano accompaniment marked 'p'. The second stanza begins with a vocal line marked 'O' and a piano accompaniment marked 'p'. The lyrics are 'Sur - re - xit Chris - tus, al - le - lu - ia!' and 'Can - ta - te Do - mi - no, al - le - lu - ia!'. The piano accompaniment features a prominent bass line with a melodic motif that is repeated throughout the piece.

## Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I  
lack nothing  
He makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.  
He shall refresh my soul  
and guide me in the paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil;  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me  
in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil  
and my cup shall be full.

Surely goodness and loving mercy shall  
follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for  
ever.

**Chant 2** Voici Dieu qui vient à mon secours (*See, God comes to my aid, the Lord, together with those who support me. I sing to you, for you raise me up.*)

Voi-ci Dieu qui vient à mon se-cours, le Seig-neur a-vec ceux qui me sou-tien-nent. Je te

chan-te, toi qui me re-lè-ves. Je te chan-te, toi qui me re-lè-ves.

### Reading John 10.22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, ‘How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.’ Jesus answered, ‘I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. The Father and I are one.’

**Silence for around 5 minutes**

**Chant 3 Bless the Lord**

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

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

The musical score for Chant 3 is written for two staves, Treble and Bass, in a key of one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and common time (C). The melody is primarily in the Treble staff, with the Bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics are: "Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name." and "Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life." The score includes a repeat sign at the end of the second line.

**Prayers of Intercession with Chant 4 Alleluia 8**

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

The musical score for the Prayers of Intercession with Chant 4 Alleluia 8 is written for two staves, Treble and Bass, in a key of one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The time signature changes from 4/4 to 3/4 and back to 4/4. The melody is primarily in the Treble staff, with the Bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!" The score includes a repeat sign at the end.

### 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,  
the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

**Chant 5** *Christe, lux mundi (O Christ, light of the world, whoever follow you will have the light of life.)*

Chri-ste, lux mun - di, qui se-qui-tur te ha - be-bit lu-men vi tae, lu-men vi - tae

## Closing Prayer & Blessing

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ  
has given us the victory,  
give you joy and peace in your faith;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

**Chant 6** Veni Lumen (choral) (*Come, Holy Spirit, Comforter. Come, Creator Spirit! Come!  
Come and lead us with your light!*)

Ve - ni Cre - a - tor Spi - ri - tus. Ve - ni lu - men cor - di - um, ve - ni lu - men cor - di - um.

**Please stay as long as you wish for silent prayer.**

*After our service of Taizé Prayer, there is a retiring collection  
to support the work and mission of All Hallows Church.*

## **Taizé at All Hallows**

Taizé is a short service using prayer, chants and silence. It is easy to learn, simple and very beautiful. This form of worship takes its name from a town in southern Burgundy, France, which is the home of an international ecumenical Christian community of over a hundred brothers. Regular times of prayer, chants and silence are at the heart of daily life in Taizé, and thousands from many countries have travelled there to experience this form of prayer and reflection. The profound simplicity and beauty of the worship is now used in services around the world, inspired by the ideals of justice and reconciliation that unite the community and those who visit it.

## **Notices**

### **Taizé Music practice**

After the service today, there is an opportunity to practice some of the chants will use in the coming weeks. Everyone is welcome to join in and the practice will finish by 8pm.

### **Roles to support All Hallows**

If you'd like to consider ways of getting involved with our church community, we are looking to grow the following teams:

- Finance and Fabric Committees
- For occasional services (carol services and memorials) - AV support and vergers
- Chiming
- Flower arranging
- Welcomers and Hospitality
- Servers
- Singing the psalm or reading the lessons
- Leading intercessions
- Heading the Children's Corner

As you can see there are many different ways to get involved, with a range of skills, interests and time commitments, so please consider offering to help out (even once a month or once a quarter would be hugely appreciated).

### **Beating the Bounds on Ascension Day**

Our annual Ascension Day celebrations will take place on Thursday 29 May. We will be Beating the Bounds from 4.15pm, when we walk around and pray over the parish boundary. This will be followed by a service of Choral Evensong at 6pm. All are welcome.

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