



TAIZÉ WORSHIP AT CHRIST CHURCH DEER PARK
Thursday, June 10, 7 pm

Since its founding in the 1940s, the monastic community of Taizé in France has become a place of pilgrimage for people the world over, seeking spiritual refreshment. Pilgrims are drawn by the spirit of joy, simplicity, and fellowship which permeates the community, as lived out through its unique style of worship: meditative communal prayer rich in complementary silence and song. The music of Taizé, with its distinctive, repetitive chants setting a simple prayer phrase or word of scripture, encourages a contemplative disposition that allows one to go deeper, beyond the mere surface level, into a profound encounter with God in the inner room of the heart.

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer:

Bless us, Christ Jesus; in you alone our hearts find rest and peace.

Song:

Please sing along, kindly keeping your microphone on mute.

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.

Silence

A moment of quiet prayer and recollection in God's presence.

Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Song:

Please sing along, kindly keeping your microphone on mute.

Be - a - ti voi po - ve - ri, per - ché
How bless - ed the poor in heart, for

vos - tro è il re - gno di Di - o.
theirs is the king - dom of heav - en.

Silence

A moment of quiet prayer and recollection in God's presence.

Intercessions

Response: Graciously hear us, O Lord.

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

Keep us persevering in faith and set in our hearts the desire for your Kingdom...

Guide your Church along the way of the Gospel; may your Holy Spirit keep her welcoming...

We pray for the leaders of the nations; may they have the will to promote justice and freedom...

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

For those who work with the oppressed, with foreigners and with the lonely...

We entrust to you our families and friends, all who have asked for our prayers and who pray for us...

For our country, our region, our city, that the Christians there may be witnesses to truth and creators of unity, Lord, we pray...

Song:

Please sing along, kindly keeping your microphone on mute.

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. *Last time*

Silence

A moment of quiet prayer and recollection in God's presence.

Closing Prayer:

Jesus our joy, you want us to have hearts that are simple, a kind of springtime of the heart. And then the complications of existence do not paralyze us so much. You tell us: don't worry; even if you have very little faith, I, Christ, am with you always.

Song:

Please sing along, kindly keeping your microphone on mute.



Sei - gneur, tu gar - des mon â - me; Ô Dieu, tu con - nais mon
O Lord, you hold and pro - tect me; you know all my heart's de -



cœur. Con - dui - moi sur le che - min d'é - ter - ni -
sire. Guide my steps a - long the ev - er - last - ing



té, con - dui - moi sur le che - min d'é - ter - ni - té.
way, guide my steps a - long the ev - er - last - ing way.

Last time

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