



**St. George's**  
Episcopal  
Church

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# Taizé Evening Prayer

Tuesday in Holy Week  
March 26, 2024  
7 pm

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You are welcome at  
St. George's Church:  
Regardless of race,  
nationality,  
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*On Tuesday in Holy Week, we gather to chant our prayers and prepare with Jesus for the journey to the Cross. For decades the original music of the Taizé community of brothers in France has inspired worshipers from many nations and languages. These short songs are repeated again and again, providing a meditative character. Using just a few words they express a basic reality of faith. As the words are sung over many times, this reality gradually penetrates the whole being. Meditative singing thus becomes a way of listening to God.*

**Prelude**

**Opening Prayer: Collect of the Day**

**BCP 220**

**Hymn: "De Noche Iremos"**

**Taizé**

*Translation: By night, we hasten in darkness to search for living water. Only our thirst leads us onwards.*

De no-chei-re-mos, de no-che que para-en-con-trar la fuen-te.

The first line of musical notation is in 4/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff. The melody is in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the notes.

so-lo la sed nos a-lum-bra, so-lo la sed nos a-lum-bra. De

The second line of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment from the first line. It concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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**Reading****Isaiah 49:1 - 7**

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength-- he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

**Hymn: "Jesus, remember me"**

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Je - sus, re - mem - ber me, when you come in - to your king - dom.



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**Psalm 71** *said together in unison*

**BCP 683**

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; \*  
let me never be ashamed.

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*  
incline your ear to me and save me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
you are my crag and my stronghold.

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

For you are my hope, O Lord God, \*  
my confidence since I was young.

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
my praise shall be always of you.

I have become a portent to many; \*  
but you are my refuge and my strength.

Let my mouth be full of your praise \*  
and your glory all the day long.

Do not cast me off in my old age; \*  
forsake me not when my strength fails.

For my enemies are talking against me, \*  
and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together.

They say, "God has forsaken him;  
go after him and seize him; \*  
because there is none who will save."

O God, be not far from me; \*  
come quickly to help me, O my God.

Let those who set themselves against me be put to shame and be disgraced; \*  
let those who seek to do me evil be covered with scorn and reproach.

But I shall always wait in patience,\*  
and shall praise you more and more.

**Hymn: "Adoramus te, O Christe"**

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*Translation: We adore you, Christ.*

A - do - ra - mus te, a - do - ra - mus te, O Chris - te.  
A - do - ra - mus te, A - do - ra - mus te, O Chris - te.

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## Gospel

**John 12: 20 - 36**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say-- 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

*Two minutes of silence follows the reading.*

## The Lord's Prayer

**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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

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## Prayer of Intercession

*Biddings are spoken and the congregation sings the response after each bidding.*

### Refrain

*Translation: Lord, have mercy*

Ky-ri-e, ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son. (hum)

O Christ, your life was not spectacular:  
you carried a cross: help us walk along your road. **Refrain**

O Christ, you learned faithfulness by suffering:  
you have become a source of eternal salvation... **Refrain**

Christ, when wounded you did not make threats:  
show us how to forgive you to the very end... **Refrain**

O Christ, when forced to suffer you did not rebel:  
transfigure our refusals... **Refrain**

O Christ, you see our suffering and failures:  
help us walk along your road... **Refrain**

O Christ, you see the pain of the exiled and the abandoned:  
take their suffering upon yourself... **Refrain**

O Christ, when lies and worries tempt us to forsake you,  
your Holy Spirit remains always within us... **Refrain**

O Christ, when our hearts become heavy,  
make them transparent like a springtime in flower... **Refrain**

O Christ, you bring happiness to your servants:  
enable us to live lives rooted in your trust... **Refrain**

O Christ, our life is hidden with you in God;  
your joy penetrates to the depths of our souls... **Refrain**

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Hymn: "Bless the Lord, my soul"

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

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

**Candle Lighting**

*During the chant, all are invited to come forward and light a candle as a sign of a prayer.*

**Closing Prayer**

O Christ, you take upon yourself all our burdens, so that freed of all that weighs us down, we can begin anew to walk with the lightened step, from worry towards trusting, from the shadows towards the clear flowing water, from our own will towards the vision of the coming Kingdom. And then we know, though we hardly dared to hope it, that you offer to make every human being a reflection of your face. **Amen.**

**The Dismissal**

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Please depart in silence.*

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# Serving Today

Thank you to our worship leaders serving today. If you would like to volunteer, contact the church office: [office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net](mailto:office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net).

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