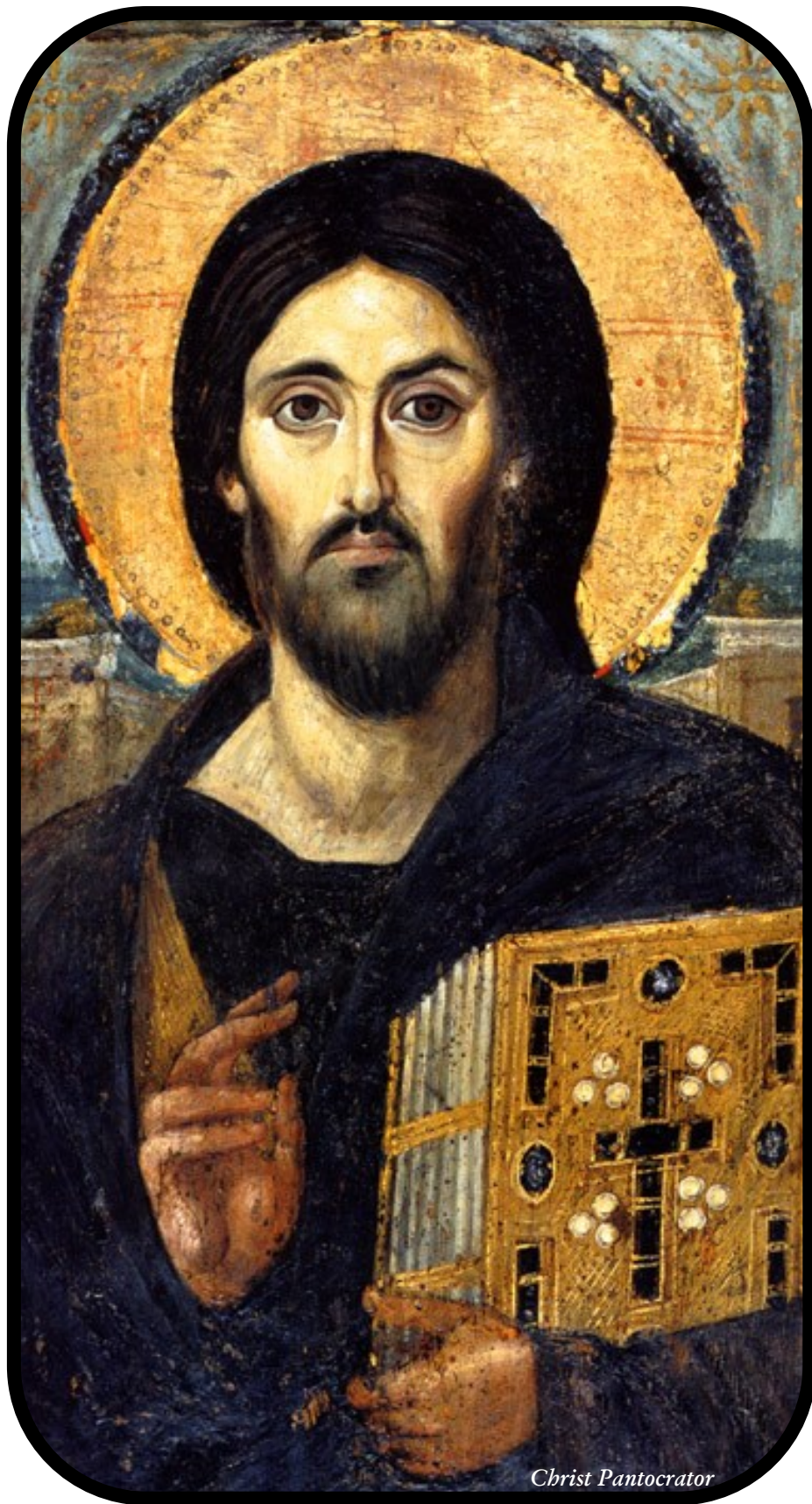


TAIZÉ PRAYER



Christ Pantocrator



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Wednesday, July 14, 2021 • 7:00 pm

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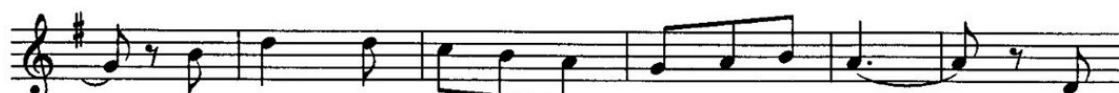
Prelude by Gerard Rohlf

Welcome and Opening Centering/Candle Lighting by Rev. BJ Woodworth

* Refrain / Estribillo



The heav - ens are tell - ing the glo - ry of God,
Los cie - los pro - cla - man la glo - ria de Dios,



and all cre - a - tion is shout-ing for joy. Come,
y sus cria - tu - ras le rin - den ho - nor. Ven



dance in the for - est, come, play in the field, and
bai - la en el bos - que, ven al - za tu voz; y



sing, sing to the glo - ry of the Lord.
can - ta, can - ta a la glo - ria del Se - ñor.

Verses / Estrofas



4. Praise for the fire which gives us its light. The warmth of the



sun to bright-en our night. It dances with joy, the



Spir - it so bright. It sings of you.

37 Within our darkest night

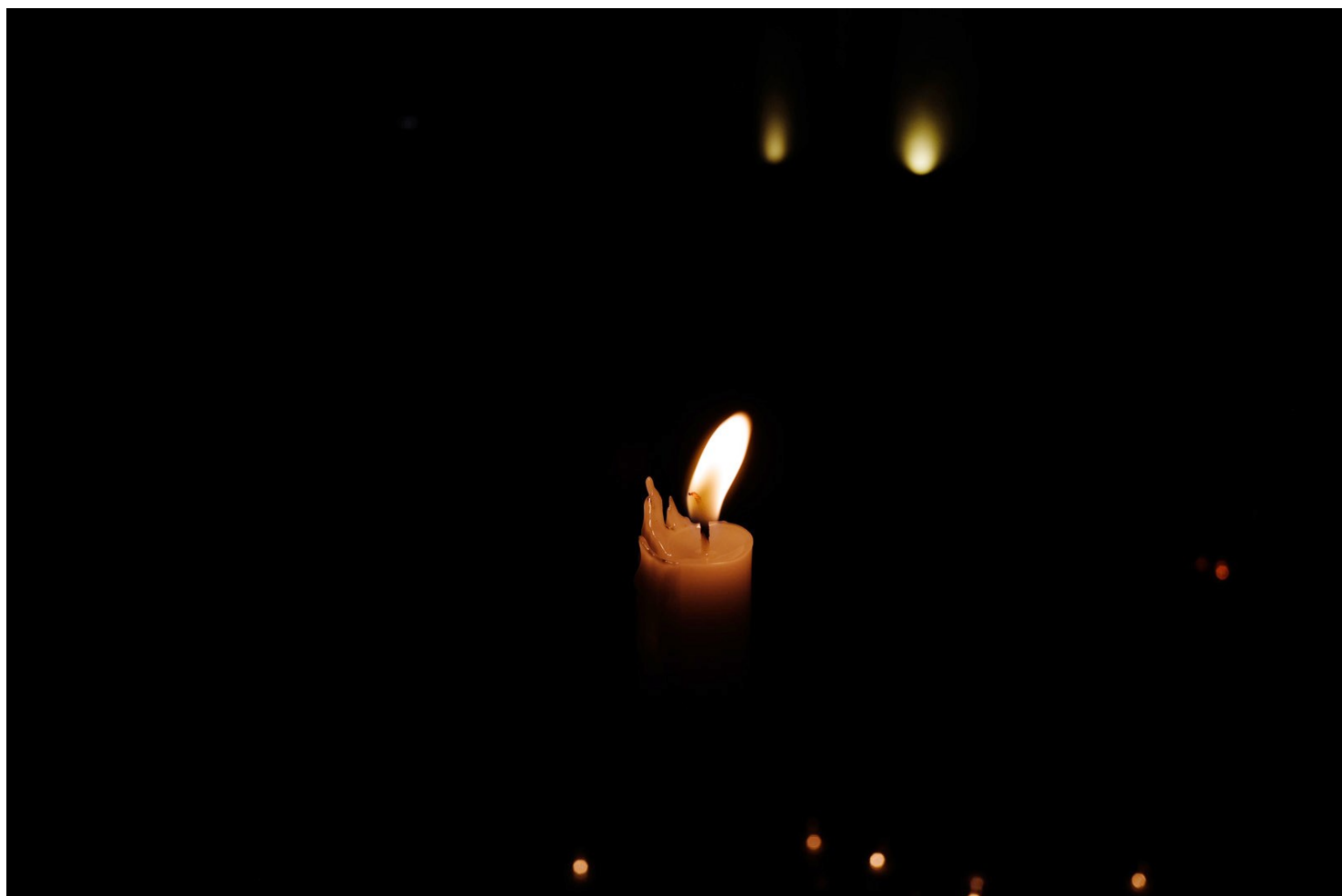
Dans nos obscurités

G C G D Em C Am

mf *p*

way, nev - er dies a - way. With - in our dark - est night, you kin - dle the
 mais, ne - s'é - teint ja - mais. Dans nos ob - scu - ri - tés, al - lu - me le

mf *p*



Psalm 18 (from Psalms for Praying by Nan C. Merrill)

O Compassionate One, You reached from on high,
You took me, You drew me out of many waters.
You delivered me from fears that bound me,
and from ignorance that blinded me;
for they threatened to overcome me,
to separate me from You.

They came up on me when I looked not to You;
yet You, O merciful one, were ever present.
You brought me forth into Light;
You released my fears,
You delighted in me.

O Holy One, you see the intentions of my heart;
As I surrender to your love, I grow in peace and gratitude.
For to lose my life is to find Life;
O keep me steadfast in my love for you,
Life of my life!

The spirit of the Word is ever before me,
the Counselor ever-present to guide me.
I pray for a clean heart, O Beloved,
to free from my guilt.
May I walk with you justly, with mercy, and in peace,
a mirror of your Love in the world.

Those who love truth will see your Light
those who walk in justice will see your mercy;
Those who live with integrity will see You in all they meet;
But those whose path is crooked, who walk on the low road,
will live in the shadow of fear.
The humble are always close to you,
the haughty, too distracted to see, will one day fall.

Yes, You are the Light of my life:
You shine through my darkness.
Yes, with You I can do all things;
and my spirit soars like an eagle.
Your ways lead to wholeness,
O loving presence; Your word in me is life;
how tenderly you live in my heart!

The musical score is written for a piano and voice in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "When the night be - comes dark, your love, O Lord, is a fire; your love, O Lord, is a fire." The score includes various chords: Em, Am6, E, Am, E, Am, E, C6, Dm, C, F6, E, and Am. The melody features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases being elongated for emphasis.

The Word/Meditation, Luke 24:13-16;28-32

13 ...Two disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and talking with each other about all the things that had happened 15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16 but their eyes were kept from recognizing him... 28 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29 But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening, and the day is now nearly over." So, he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"

Prayer from St. John of the Cross (1542--1591)

O Living flame of love...
O lamps with fire
In whose splendors
the deep caverns of feeling,
once obscure and blind,
now give forth, coming on so rarely, so exquisitely,
both warmth and light to their beloved.

How gently and lovingly
You wake in my heart,
where in secret you dwell alone;
and in sweet breathing,
filled with good and glory,
how tenderly you swell my heart with love.



NB24: Holy Spirit, Come to Us

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus, tu - i a - mo - ris i - gnem ac - cen - de.
Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, kin - dle in us the fire of your love.

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus, ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.
Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, key of D major. It features two systems of music. The first system includes the lyrics 'Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus, tu - i a - mo - ris i - gnem ac - cen - de. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, kin - dle in us the fire of your love.' The second system includes the lyrics 'Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus, ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.' The score is marked with a piano (*p*) dynamic and includes a crescendo hairpin.

Prayers of Intercession: Lighting of Candles

As you feel led to pray this evening,
you are invited to come and light a candle as your prayer of intercession.

Sung Response: * I Lift My Hands

I lift my hands, I lift my hands like an eve-ning of - fer-ing;
as day - light fades, I give my - self to you.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, key of D major. It features two systems of music. The first system includes the lyrics 'I lift my hands, I lift my hands like an eve-ning of - fer-ing;' and the second system includes the lyrics 'as day - light fades, I give my - self to you.' The score is marked with a piano (*p*) dynamic and includes a crescendo hairpin.

32. YOUR WORD, O LORD

C'est toi ma lampe

Your word, O Lord, is a light. My God, en - light - en my
 C'est toi ma lam - pe, Sei - gneur. Mon Dieu é - clai - re ma té -

dark - ness. O Lord, my God, en - light - en my dark - ness. O
 nè - bre. Sei - gneur, mon Dieu, é - clai - re ma té - nè - bre. Sei -

Lord, my God, en - light - en my dark - ness. Your
 gneur, mon Dieu, é - clai - re ma té - nè - bre. C'est

Last time



853 We Are Marching in the Light of God

Siyahamba

We are march-ing in the light of God; we are march-ing in the
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -

light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God;
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

Blessing of Fire

Blessing of fire be up on you
 may the light of God Luminate you
 and may the flame of love burn brightly in you.
 May you discover each day anew; your own hidden fire and enter it fully.
 AMEN!

- Christine Valters Painter, Water, Wind, Earth and Fire, pg. 73-7

✧ SPIRITUAL LIFE EVENTS ✧

In Pursuit of Silence | Film Viewing and Conversation

Saturday, Aug 14 from 7–9 pm

In Pursuit of Silence is a documentary that meditatively explores our relationship with silence, sound, and the impact of noise on our lives. Beginning with an ode to John Cage's groundbreaking composition, 4'33", the film takes us on an immersive cinematic journey around the globe—from a traditional tea ceremony in Kyoto, to the streets of Mumbai during the wild festival season—and inspires us to experience silence and celebrate the wonders of our world. RSVP to Norma by Aug 13 (412.441.3800 x111).



SAVE THE DATE:

CENTER FOR ACTION AND CONTEMPLATIONS CONSPIRE CONFERENCE

September 24-26, 2021

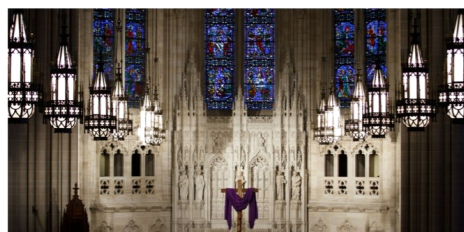
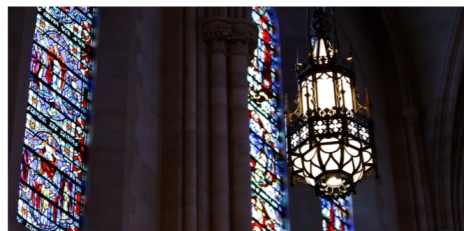
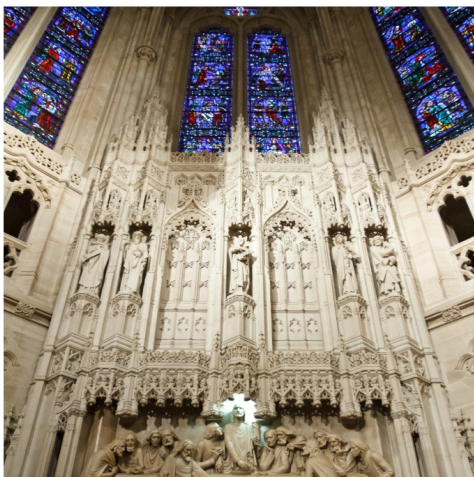
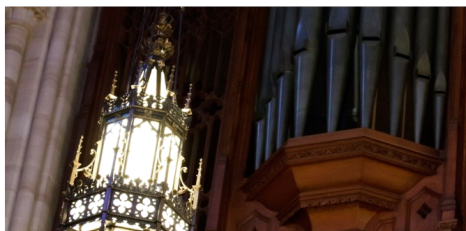
A VIRTUAL SIMULCAST EVENT AT E LPC

**Me / Us / the World
Living Inside God's Great Story**

An online event featuring conference presenters James Finley, Barbara Holmes, Jacqui Lewis, Brian McLaren, Richard Rohr, and Mirabai Starr.

Over the weekend of Sept. 24–26, the Spiritual Life Committee invites you to a virtual simulcast of the Center for Action and Contemplation's CONSPIRE Conference, *Me/Us/the World: Living Inside God's Great Story*.

In this time of great unknowing, how do we expand our sense of self to include love, healing, and forgiveness—not just for ourselves and those like us, but for the entire world? Join spiritual seekers across the world for an interactive, global gathering to experience God's love, grace, and com-



Please visit our website for more information about the ministries of East Liberty Presbyterian Church.

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INFORMATION ABOUT TAIZÉ

ABOUT TAIZÉ: Taizé is an international ecumenical prayer community in Taizé, France which was founded in 1940 by a young seminary student, Roger Schultz, as a place of hospitality and reconciliation during World War II. Today, thousands of young people come each week to Taizé to pray with the brothers and discern God's purpose for their lives. Taizé Prayer Pilgrimages and Intercontinental Meetings around the globe bring together thousands more in an effort to become the prayerful, reconciled presence of Christ wherever they live.

Taizé prayers at East Liberty Presbyterian Church were begun in the Spring of 1992 in preparation for an intercontinental meeting in Dayton. The experience proved to be so meaningful that we have continued to pray every Wednesday evening since then, inviting people of all backgrounds to join with us.

Taizé is located in eastern France, southeast of Paris, north of Lyons, due west of Geneva, Switzerland, between the towns of Chalon-sur-Saône and Macon. Here are the ways to get Taizé information:

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To visit Taizé:	meetings@taize.fr
List of useful info:	info@taize.fr
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ELPC Web site: www.ELPC.church
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You are welcome at any of our programs and worship services. It is possible to have more than one church home. Perhaps you would be interested in becoming a member or friend of this Church. If so, please speak to The Rev. BJ Woodworth, Minister of Taizé Prayer (BJW@coh.net or 412.441.3800 x141).