

# Taizé:

Prayerful Song & Quiet Meditation

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Presbyterian Church**

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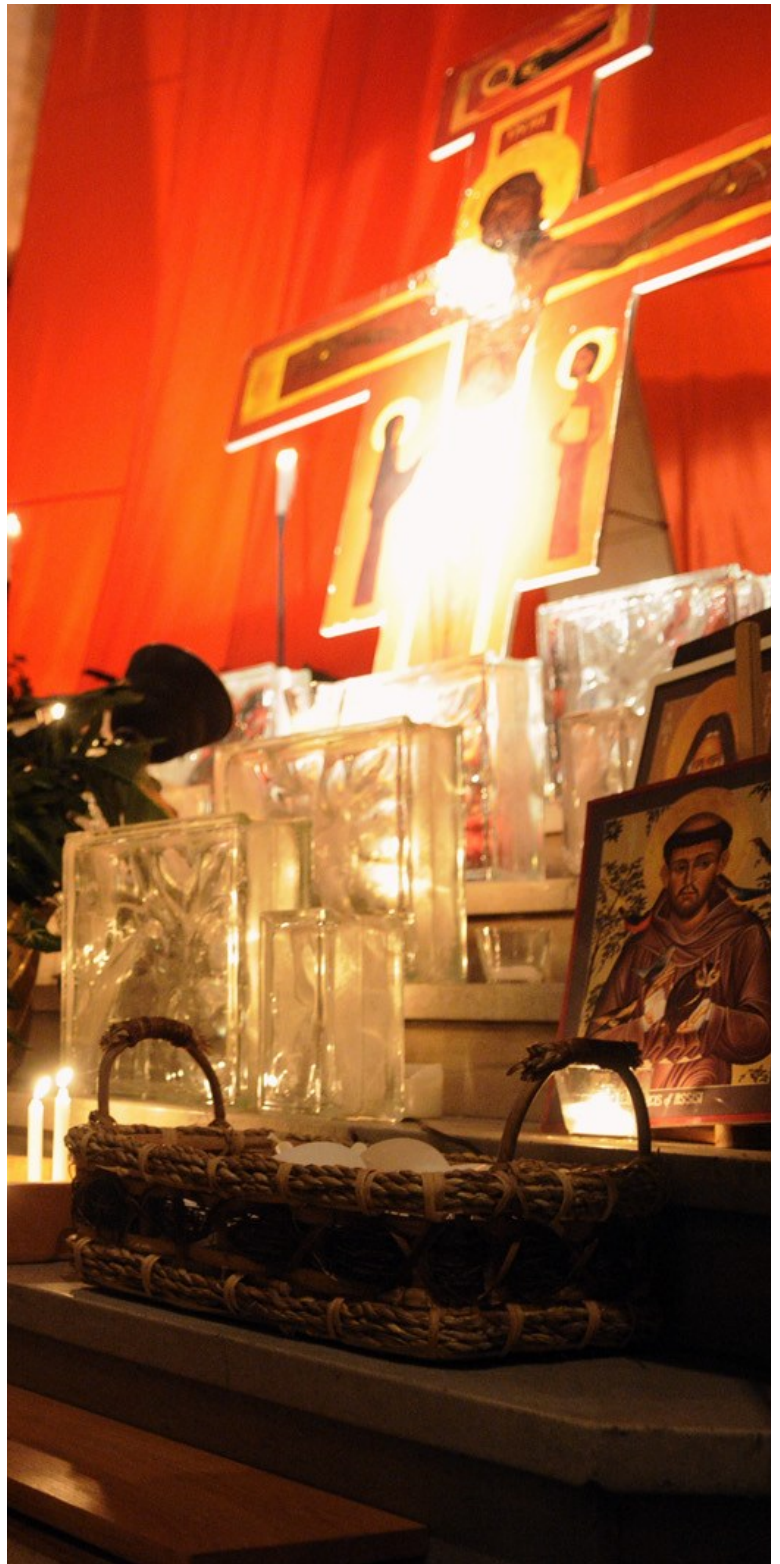
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# Welcome to Taizé

We hope this time and space of prayerful song and quiet mediation will give you rest in body, mind and spirit. We invite you to pray and meditate in a variety of ways as you are so inclined.

- Hold a prayer stone, palm cross or prayer beads.
- Allow the simple repeated refrains to be sung over you and join in as you are able.
- Come forward to the table to doodle or color a mandala.
- Sit on a prayer cushion or chair at the front to be closer to the icons and artwork.
- Light a candle in prayer for another.
- Visit one of the prayer stations up on the altar.

May you awaken to the restful and restorative presence of the Spirit, and may you carry that awareness with you out into the world.



**Prelude by Gerard Rohlif**

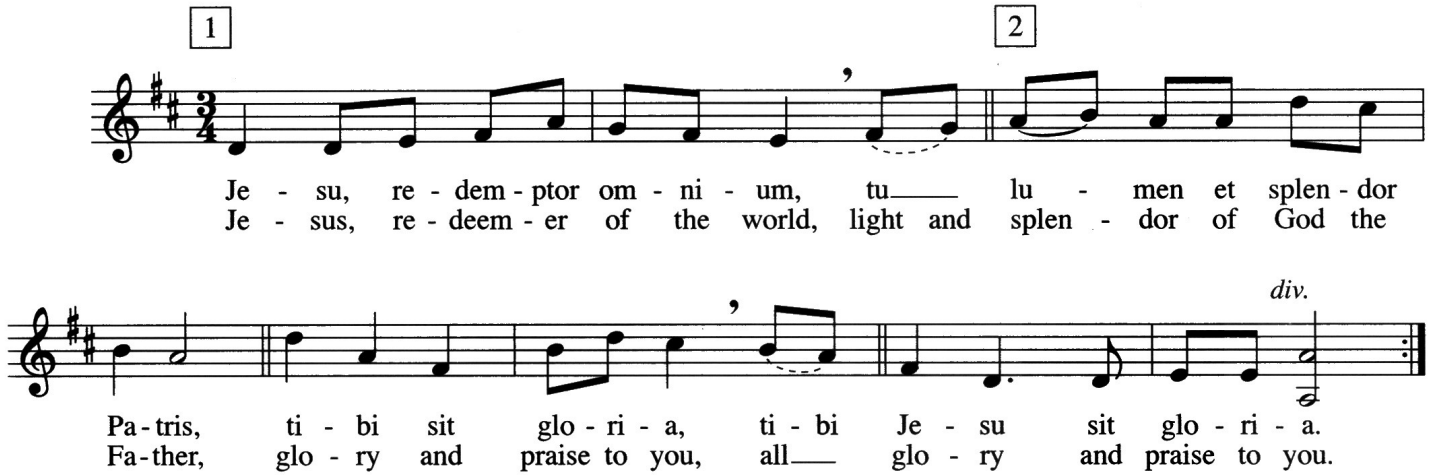
**Welcome and Opening Centering by The Rev. BJ Woodworth.**

## CLM 23 Jesus, Redeemer

### 23. JESU, REDEMPTOR Jesus, Redeemer

Canon

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Je - su, re - dem - ptor om - ni - um, tu — lu - men et splen - dor  
Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world, light and splen - dor of God the

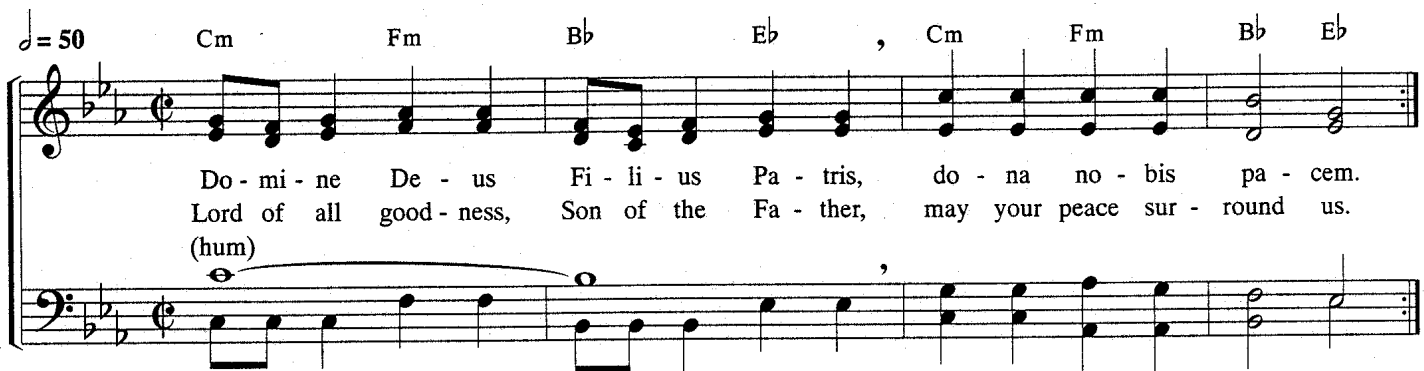
Pa - tris, ti - bi sit glo - ri - a, ti - bi Je - su sit glo - ri - a.  
Fa - ther, glo - ry and praise to you, all — glo - ry and praise to you. *div.*

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### 30 Lord of All Goodness

$\text{♩} = 50$  Cm Fm B $\flat$  E $\flat$  , Cm Fm B $\flat$  E $\flat$



Do - mi - ne De - us Fi - li - us Pa - tris, do - na no - bis pa - cem.  
Lord of all good - ness, Son of the Fa - ther, may your peace sur - round us.  
(hum)

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**Psalm 84** (selected verses; from "Psalms for Praying" by Nan C. Merrill)

**Sung Response: 3 Alleluia 11**

♩ = 104

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! (hum)

(Al - le - lu - ia)

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Bless the Beloved, O my soul,  
And all that is within me;  
I bless your Holy Name!  
Bless the Beloved, O my soul,  
And remember the goodness of Love.

**ALLELUIA**

You forgive our stubbornness,  
You heal our disease,  
You save us from the snares of fear,  
You crown us with steadfast Love and Mercy,  
You satisfy our every need  
And renew our spirit like the eagle's.

**ALLELUIA**

Through you comes peace and  
Justice for all who are oppressed.  
You make known the pathway of truth,  
And guide us on the Way.

**ALLELUIA**

You are merciful and gracious,  
Quelling our anger with your patient Love.  
You love us more than we can ask or imagine;  
In truth, we belong to you.

**ALLELUIA**

As parents are concerned for their children,  
So you come to those who reach out in faith.  
For our ways are known,  
Our weaknesses seen with compassion.

**ALLELUIA**

The Beloved's home is in our hearts,  
As we discover in the silence.  
Bless the Beloved, O you angels,  
You faith-filled ones who hear the Word,  
Following the voice of love!

**ALLELUIA**

## The Word: Proverbs 25: 6-7 *(The Inclusive Bible)*

Don't try to act grand in the presence of the powerful, or grab the place of honor at a table—it's better to be told, "Come sit up here," than to be put down in front of someone important.

## Quiet Meditation and Reflection *(for approximately 5-7 minutes)*

### Words from Saints and Ancestors

*The humble one is always at rest because there is nothing which can agitate or shake their mind. Just as no one can frighten a mountain, so the mind of the humble one cannot be frightened.*

-St. Isaac the Syrian, (613 – 700), an Eastern Assyrian Church saint remembered for his spiritual homilies on the inner life and the Holy Spirit.

## 49 Live in Charity

The musical score is written for a piano and voice. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 2/4 time signature. The melody is in the right hand, and the bass line is in the left hand. The lyrics are: "U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor, Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,". The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: "u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est. live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and accidentals.

F C Dm Bb D G C ,  
U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love,

F C Dm Gm C 3 F  
u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.  
live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.

## Prayers of Intercession *(taken from the Iona Abbey Worship Book)*

### Sung Response: 4 Kyrie Eleison 1

#### Kyrie Eleison 1

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Loving God,  
We hold in your healing presence  
Those who suffer pain and ill-health,  
With their families, friends  
and those who care for them

**KYRIE**

Loving God,  
We hold in your healing presence  
The suffering people of our world,  
And the places where people  
Are experiencing division, injustice, and violence

**KYRIE**

Loving God,  
We hold in your healing presence  
Those facing bereavement and grief  
Amidst the loss of loved ones

**KYRIE**

Loving God,  
We hold in your healing presence  
Those who need wisdom for their next steps

**KYRIE**

Loving God,  
We hold in your healing presence  
Those whose needs are not known to us  
And those whose names we do not know,  
But who are known to you,  
And for whom we have been asked to pray.

**KYRIE**



## Silent and Spoken Prayers

*Please feel free to add your spoken petitions.*

*A note about praying for others out loud: Some people are comfortable with having their prayer concerns lifted up in public worship. Others are not. Before you share aloud any prayer concerns, please be sure that you are not breaking confidentiality.*

*Whether or not you say the person's name out loud, God hears and receives the intentions of your heart.*

### NB53 The Lord's Prayer

The musical score for 'The Lord's Prayer' is written for a piano accompaniment. It consists of five systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and half notes, as well as dynamic markings like 'p' (piano) and 'f' (forte). There are also performance instructions like '(\*)' and '(.)' above the staff. The lyrics are: 'Our Fa - ther who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name; thy king - dom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread; for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the King - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.'

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and the pow - er, and the glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## Prayer over the Anointing Oil *(in unison)*

*We have an anointing station this evening for those seeking individual prayer to share joys or concerns. Any desiring prayer, and/or anointing with oil, are invited to come forward, waiting in the center aisle if the station is full. To assist in bearing prayer concerns, anointing happens to the left in the columbarium.*

Bless this oil, O Lord, pressed from the fruit of the earth. Let it be a holy ointment for the wounds and worries of those who receive it. May it be a sign to all of us of your constant desire to touch our lives and bring us to health and wholeness. Amen.



## CLM 7 O God Keep Me Safe

### 7. BEHÜTE MICH, GOTT O God, Keep Me Safe

Be - hü - te mich, Gott, ich ver - trau - e dir, du  
O God, keep me safe, for I trust in you. The

zeigst mir den Weg zum Le - ben. Bei dir ist  
path - way to life you teach me. With you is

Freu - de, and Freu - de in all Fül - le. Be -  
peace and joy in all full - ness. O

(,) ( Last time)

(,) ( Last time)



## CLM 31 I Delight and Rejoice

### 31. QUE J'EXULTE ET JUBILE I Delight and Rejoice

Music score for the hymn "Que j'exulte et jubile" (I Delight and Rejoice). The score is written for a single voice and a basso continuo. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is in the treble clef, and the basso continuo is in the bass clef. The lyrics are in French and English.

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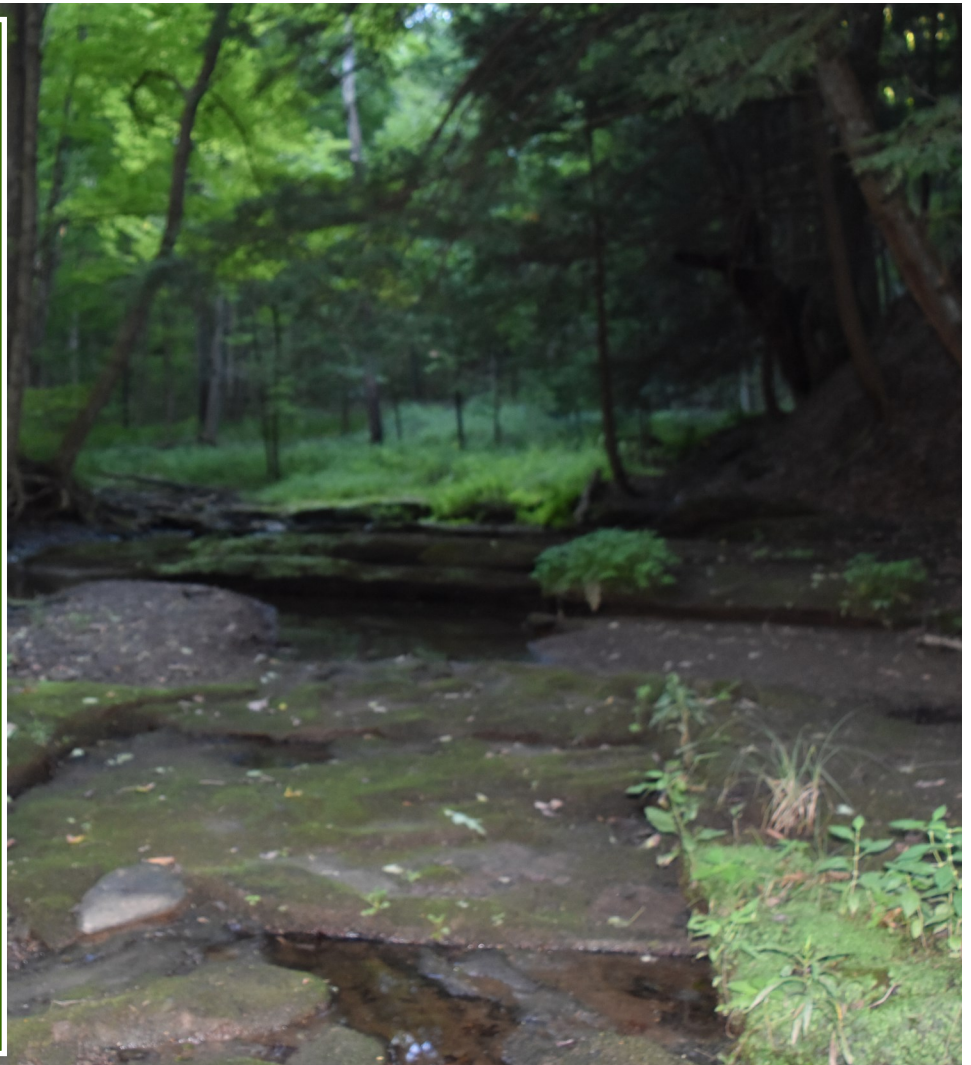
Que j'e - xul - te et ju - bi - le en ton a - mour!  
I de - light and re - joice in your love!

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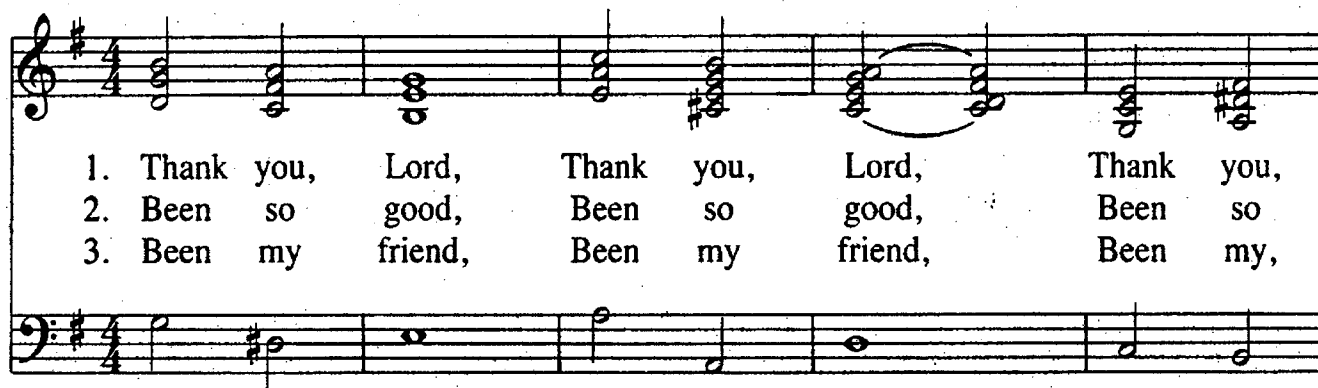
### *Silence and Love*

Christ says: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). We need silence in order to welcome these words and put them into practice. When we are agitated and restless, we have so many arguments and reasons not to forgive and not to love too easily. But when we "have calmed and quieted our soul", these reasons turn out to be quite insignificant. Maybe we sometimes avoid silence, preferring whatever noise, words or distraction, because inner peace is a risky thing: it makes us empty and poor, disintegrates bitterness and leads us to the gift of ourselves. Silent and poor, our hearts are overwhelmed by the Holy Spirit, filled with an unconditional love. Silence is a humble yet secure path to loving.

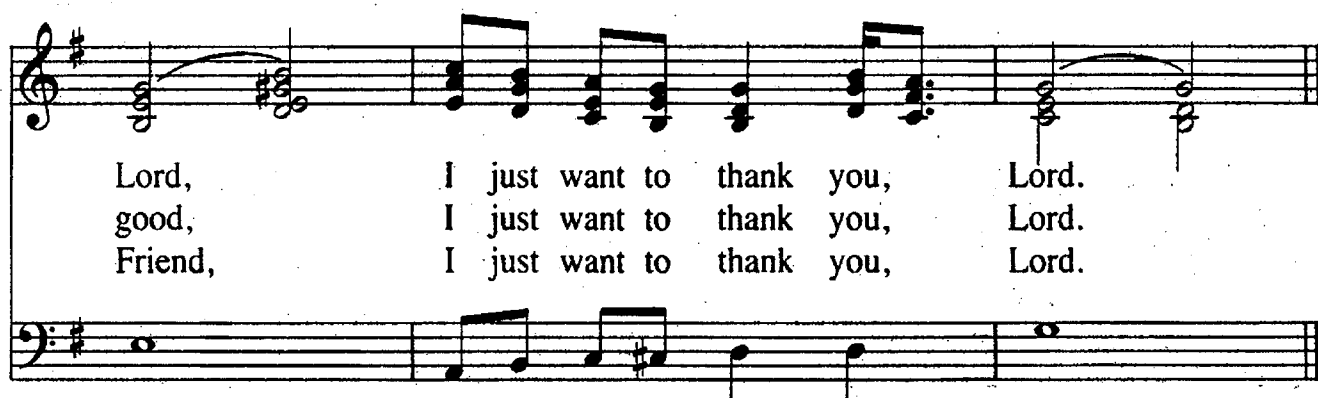
— *Brother Alois of Taizé*



## G65 Thank You, Lord



1. Thank you, Lord, Thank you, Lord, Thank you,  
2. Been so good, Been so good, Been so  
3. Been my friend, Been my friend, Been my,



Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
good, I just want to thank you, Lord.  
Friend, I just want to thank you, Lord.

Text: Traditional

Tune: Traditional; Harm. by J. Jefferson Cleveland, b. 1937, and Verolga Nix, b. 1933, from *Songs of Zion* © 1981 by Abingdon CCLI #689547

4. Been my Light ...
5. Been my Peace ...
6. Been my Joy ...
7. Been my Life ...

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## Blessing *(in unison)*

Go from this place awake and aware of God's Light, Life and Love;  
inspired to reveal God's Light,  
exhibit God's Life,  
and embody God's Love.

Leader: Thanks be to God. Amen.

People: Amen.

# SPIRITUAL LIFE EVENTS

## Cathedral Yoga

Yamuna will lead yoga in-person in the Sanctuary before the 7 pm Taizé Prayer service.

Wednesdays, 6 to 7 pm

## Journey Dance

Enjoy an evening of healthy, energizing, funky and divine dancing on the 3rd Friday of every month (with a few exceptions).

Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18,

Dec 9 (*second Friday*)

6:30-7:45 pm

## Taizé Podcast Now Available

If you are unable to come to our Taizé services in person on Wednesdays at 7 pm, stream or download a 15-minute contemplative recording each week. Each podcast includes a brief time of centering, music, a meditation, and a closing prayer. You can find a link to listen to the recordings at [www.ELPC.church](http://www.ELPC.church), in our *This Week in Worship* email news flash each Friday, or in our new app.

## New Fall Spiritual Life Group: "The Revolutionary Love Project" – Begins Sept 15

How can developing postures and practices of REVOLUTIONARY LOVE towards yourself, others and even our opponents be transformative? Join the Spiritual Life Committee on Thursdays from 5:30-7 pm, starting on Sept 15. Please contact the Rev. BJ Woodworth with questions or to RSVP ([BJW@coh.net](mailto:BJW@coh.net)).

Scan the QR code or visit [www.tiny.cc/m91uuz](http://www.tiny.cc/m91uuz) to see Valarie Kaur's *Ted Talk* for a compelling preview.



## The Rev. BJ Woodworth is Minister of Taizé Prayer here at ELPC.

BJ is also Director of Spiritual Life Ministries and is available to provide spiritual direction to anyone who is a part of the ELPC community (attending Taizé makes YOU a part of that community).

He can be reached at:

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# ELPC EVENTS

## Environmental Book Club – Aug 25

The Environmental Team of the Justice Committee has selected *Parable of the Sower* by Octavia E. Butler as its next book. You're invited to read the book and join us for a discussion on Thursday, Aug 25 at 7 pm, led by Nancy Heastings and Penn Hackney online via Zoom. For more details and zoom info, contact Nancy Heastings ([n.heastings@comcast.net](mailto:n.heastings@comcast.net)).

Published in 1993, this climate sci-fi is set in 2024 California. The story's lead character is a 15-year-old Black girl whose father is a preacher. Global climate change and economic crises have led to social chaos.

For some writers, science fiction serves as a means to delve into fantasy. But for Butler, it largely served as a vehicle to address issues facing humanity. Her books blended elements of science fiction and African American spiritualism.

## Virtual Happy Hour – Aug 26

Let's get together for a *Virtual Happy Hour* from 6-9 pm on Friday, Aug 26! So many of us have lots of responsibilities and we need a moment to exhale and relax. Why not at our *Virtual Happy Hour*? Plan on joining us with your favorite beverage, and we'll get to know one another in anticipation of the start of the Church School year. Please contact Derail Holcomb to RSVP ([DerailH@coh.net](mailto:DerailH@coh.net)).

## Church Tour – Aug 28

On Sunday, Aug 28, a *Tower Tour* will be offered after the 10 am summer worship service. Please gather in the Highland Lobby to participate. All are welcome!

## Pick Up Your Copy of PW Bible Study Book – Aug 28

All women are invited to participate in the 2022–2023 Presbyterian Women's Bible Study, *Celebrating Sabbath*. Pick up a Bible Study book after worship on Sunday, Aug 28. Bible Study begins on Tuesday, Sept 6 at 10 am, and Monday, Sept 12 at 7 pm. We will meet monthly through May 2023. For info, please email [PW.ELPC@gmail.com](mailto:PW.ELPC@gmail.com).

## Join Our Connections Groups – Sept 2

ELPC's *Connections Groups* build small communities within the large ELPC congregation. We invite everyone who has participated in *Connections* in the past, as well as everyone else, to this community-building event:

- On Friday, Sept 2 from 6–8 pm, we'll attend *Fridays at Frick* for some live music. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. You can bring picnic food or buy from the food trucks on site.

RSVP to Elaine Phillips ([connectelc@gmail.com](mailto:connectelc@gmail.com)) to participate.

