Taizé Service | Dec. 7, 2023

Patient Waiting

Welcome

The Taizé Community originates out of central France and today has over 100 monks from approximately 30 countries. Tonight's prayer is modeled on that of the Taizé Community. It includes Scripture, song and silence. There will be a few periods of silence, which allows us the opportunity to listen to God as we remain

receptive to the Holy Spirit working within us.

The singing has a repetitive quality, using mantra refrains, to help us pray in a contemplative style. The musicians will be leading us in song, but Taizé prayer is meant

to be a communal experience, so please sing along as you are comfortable. This worship aid will assist you.

We will take a few minutes to slow down from the hectic pace of December.

Chime

Chant 5x: Nothing can trouble

Short silence

1st Reading Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.

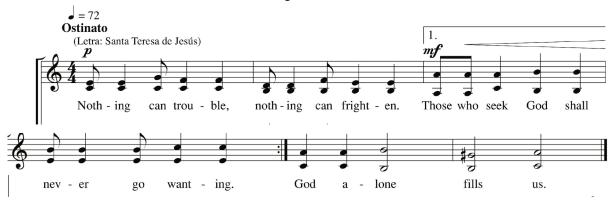
It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch.

Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning.

May he not come suddenly and find

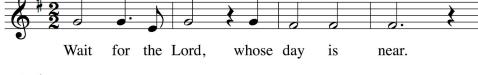


Nothing Can Trouble



WAIT FOR THE LORD

Jacques Berthier





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O LORD. HEAR MY PRAYER



you sleeping.

What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

Chant 5x: Wait for the Lord

2nd Reading: Meditation on Waiting from Frank Galles

Chime

Silence 5 minutes

Chime

Prayers of Petition

Respond: O Lord hear my prayer

- 1. For our leaders around the world, that they might find ways to bring an end to war and violence, and promote peace and development for all nations, we pray:
- 2. For those who are with child, who are struggling with an unexpected pregnancy, or who are suffering from infertility or infant loss, we pray:
- 3. For the Church, that we may be alert to our need for God's mercy, we pray:
- 4. For the world, that all peoples may be affirmed in their inherent dignity, we pray:
- 5. For those who have drifted away from God and struggle to know his love, that they may find their way home, we pray:
- 6. People are invited to offer their own prayers.

The Lord's Prayer

Chant 5x: Prepare the way of the Lord

Closing Prayer

Lord of all creation, you fill the universe with signs and wonders of your presence. Throughout this season of Advent, help us to be vigilant in finding our way on your path of redemption. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

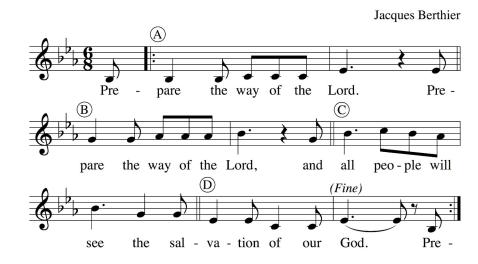
Chant 5x: For you O Lord, my soul in stillness waits

Please join us again on January 4, 2024.

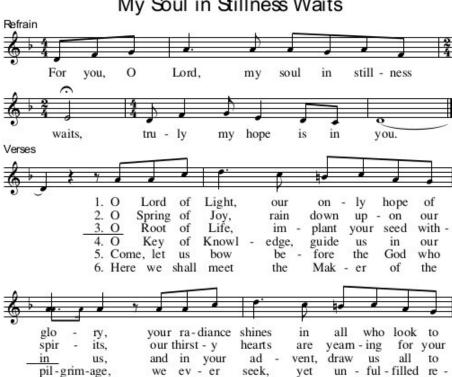


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PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD



My Soul in Stillness Waits





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