

Taize Service for February 3, 2022 Worship Aid

African American History Month



Prelude

We are invited to listen to the choir from St. Therese Little Flower in Kansas City, MO. Allow it to set the mood for tonight's prayer.

Introduction and Welcome

Song "Wade in the Water" *All verses led by Jasmine; refrain sung by all*

Wade in the water, wade in the water,
children now.

Wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the
water.

solo verse

all God's gonna trouble the water.

solo verse

all God's gonna trouble the water.

Gather fourth edition #994

Reading from Sacred Scripture

Chant 4x *led by Fr. Ron; all are invited to sing along from the beginning.*

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's
holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into
life.

Songs and Prayers from Taize #9

A Reading from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Silence *5 minutes*

Chime

Petitions *led by Fr. Ron*

After each petition, the pray-er is invited to

light a votive candle from the Easter
Candle.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my
prayer. When I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my
prayer. Come and listen to me.

Songs and Prayers from Taize #20

1. ____ May the Church provide a safe space for the hard conversations necessary to heal racial divides and soften our hardened hearts, we pray:
2. ____ May we use wisdom and discernment in listening to our elected officials, holding them accountable to their duty to enact laws that support the common good, combat racial injustice, and provide for the most vulnerable among us, we pray:
3. ____ May the Holy Spirit fill us with the gift of courage to use our words on behalf of others, speaking prophetically to unify local communities, we pray:

4. _____ May we listen to each other with open hearts as we share our challenges, our failures, and our successes, knowing that we are all learning more each day about ourselves and our neighbors, we pray:

5. _____ May there be an end to acts of hatred and violence toward those whose race is not our own, we pray:

6. _____ May all peoples see the dignity that is inherit to each and every person of God, we pray:

You are invited to speak other spontaneous prayers, after which all sing the response.

We say together mindfully as one, the Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;
 where there is injury, pardon;
 where there is doubt, faith;
 where there is despair, hope;
 where there is darkness, light;
 where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
 to be consoled as to console,
 to be understood as to understand,
 to be loved as to love.
 For it is in giving that we receive,
 it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
 and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Chant 4x led by Jasmine; all are invited to join in from the beginning

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.
 Those who seek God shall never go wanting.

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.
 God alone fills us.

Songs and Prayers of Taize #29

Closing Prayer

Closing Song 5x led by Jasmine; all are invited to join in from the beginning

Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father,
 may your peace surround us.

Songs and Prayers of Taize #30

Thank you for coming...

Join us again on March 3.

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