

*Give us boldness to preach the Gospel through
the lives we lead, the choices we make and the
words we speak.*

Hear us, good Lord

*Give light to those who sit in darkness, especially
the darkness of doubt and confusion.*

Hear us, good Lord

*Give us and all people the will to use the fruits of
the earth to your glory and for the good of all
creation.*

Hear us, good Lord

*Heal the sick in body and mind and provide for
the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.*

Hear us, good Lord

Our Father....

Chant 23 : Laudate omnes gentes ♪

Silence

A prayer by Brother Roger of Taizé

*God of mercy, enable us to surrender ourselves to
you in silence and in love. Such trust does not
come easily to our human condition. But you open
within us the way that leads towards the radiance
of a hope.*

Silence

Chant 137 : Behüte mich, Gott

**Enfold me, O God,
For I trust in you.**

**You show me the path to follow.
You give me joy, your joy in its fullness.**

We leave in silence.

*Please allow those who wish to do so
to continue to pray undisturbed.*

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Taizé Prayer 88 4th September 2016 (15th After Trinity)

Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community for Trinity 15

Welcome! Please feel free to sit quietly or to join
in as you feel most comfortable. We will be
following a pattern based on the worship of the
Taizé Community, one of whose aims has always
been to make Christian worship as simple and
uncluttered as possible.

Taizé is a small village in eastern France. For almost 70
years, it has been the home of a Christian monastic
community made up of brothers from many different
countries, speaking many different languages and, uniquely,
belonging to several different Christian denominations.
Catholics, Anglicans, Protestants, Orthodox and others live
and pray together, share a simple life and welcome the tens
of thousands of visitors who come to spend time with them
every year from all over the world.

*The numbers refer to the orange booklet of Taizé
Chants which you received as you joined us. This
symbol ♪ indicates that we sing the English
translation provided alongside the music.*



Opening Silence

Food for Thought in the Silence

*“According to the Bible God is mercy, in other
words compassion and kindness. By telling the
parable of the father and his two sons (Luke 15),
Jesus shows us that God’s love does not depend
on the good we can do; it is given
unconditionally. The father loves the son who
remains faithful his whole life long. And he
already holds out his hands to one who left him,
while that son is still far away”*

The Courage of Mercy, Brother Alois of Taizé

Chant 140 : Il Signore ti ristora

**You restore me and embrace me.
Never will you reject me.
In your love, you run with joy to meet me.
Lord, you always seek me.**

From Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills: from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore.

Silence

In the silence, we entrust ourselves to God, who is mercy and who watches over us forever; we seek his forgiveness of our sins; and then, in trust, we sing...

Chant 124 : L'ajuda em vindrà ♪

***I lift up my eyes to the hills;
From where shall come my help?
My help is in God who created the earth,
The earth and the heavens.***

A reading from Isaiah 43

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters [...] Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise. [...] I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.

Chant 113 : Bóg jest miłością ♪

A reading from John 5

Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, the Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, the Son does likewise. The Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing; and he will show him greater works than these, so that

you will be astonished. Indeed, just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whomsoever he wishes. The Father judges no one but has given all judgement to the Son, so that all may honour the Son just as they honour the Father. Anyone who does not honour the Son does not honour the Father who sent him. Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life.'

Chant 46 : In te confido ♪

Long Silence

For Silent Reflection For Harvest Sunday

“The earth belongs to God; human beings receive it as a gift. We are entrusted with an immense responsibility: to take care of the planet, not to waste its resources. The earth is limited, and human beings too need to consent to their limits. The earth is our common home and today it is suffering. There is no room for indifference in the face of environmental catastrophes, the disappearance of entire species, the threats to biodiversity, or the massive deforestation in certain parts of the globe.”

The Courage of Mercy, Brother Alois of Taizé

Chant 30 : In manus tuas

***in manus tuas – into your hands
Pater - Father
commendo – I commit
spiritum meum – my spirit***

Silence

Intercessions

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Govern and direct your church; fill it with love, mercy and truth; and grant it unity.

Hear us, good Lord