

CHANT

Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with - in us. Let not my
 doubts or my dar-nes speak to me. Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with -
 in us. Let my heart al - ways wel - come your love. Lord Je - sus

Merciful God,
 At times we forget your grace, forgetting that grace calls us to change our lives, to lead lives of generosity, forgiveness, and restitution. At other times, we mistake your grace for cheap grace, hoping for a easy way out of situations that call for our attention and diligence. Inspire within us the life-changing memory of your love in Christ, and the faithfulness to look for his return in hope. Amen.

May the everlasting God shield you wherever you go.
 And the blessing of God be upon you
All the blessing of the Giver of life.
 The blessing of God be upon you
the blessing of the Christ of love.
 The blessing of God be upon you
the blessing of the Spirit of peace.
 The blessing of the Trinity be upon you now and evermore.
Amen.

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In you our hearts find rest and peace-ful glad - ness. In
 you our hearts find rest and peace - ful glad - ness.

WELLS CHURCHES TOGETHER

TAIZÉ  PRAYER

WELCOME

Theme for today: God's gracious generosity

*"For by Grace you have been saved through faith,
 and not of yourselves: it is the gift of God"*

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
 joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your
 voi - ces, the Lord is near, lit up your voi - ces, the Lord is near. In the

*God of ripe plums
 and meadowsweet,
 thank you for summer.
 Thank you for warmth
 and beauty and wonder -
 thank you for life.*

READING Isaiah 55. 1-5

“..... God’s grace is designed to produce a *thankful* people. The rhythm of grace and thanksgiving — God’s rich goodness, people’s glad response — goes on and on, to the glory of God.

Graciously, constantly, he works by the Spirit to create and call forth thankfulness from his newly created people. It is in this rhythm of grace that God is truly God, and, if we dare to put it like this, that God *enjoys* being God.”

N. T. Wright

SONG Amazing Grace

1. Amazing grace, How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to
fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

3. Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come,
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home.

4 . A life of joy and peace.
When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

MEDITATION

O Lord, give us yourself above all things.
It is in your coming alone that we are enriched.

It is in your coming that true gifts come.

Come, Lord, that we may share the gifts of your Presence.

Come, Lord, with healing of the past,
come and calm our memories.

**Come with joy for the present,
come and give life to our existence.**

Come with hope for the future,
come and give a sense of eternity.

**Come with strength for our wills,
come with power for our thoughts.**

Come with love for our heart,
come and give affection to our being.

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Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us; kin - dle in us the fire of your love.

Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

PRAYERS

Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy

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Lord, allow my eyes to see the beauty of creation, in flowers, creatures, forests, and cities alike.....*silence*

Lord, have mercy

Lord, allow our ears to listen to the cry of the earth, the voices of our sisters and brothers, those who face the harsh reality of climate change.

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Lord, have mercy

Lord, allow my voice to speak out for justice and ensure people living in poverty are heard.....

Lord, have mercy

Lord, allow my hands to care for the earth, to toil, to reap, to celebrate.....

Lord, have mercy

Lord, allow my feet to take the path less trod, to walk the extra mile, to take your message out to the world.....

Lord, have mercy

THE LORD’S PRAYER