

Let the tools be stored away,  
Let the work be over and done  
And let God's people say Amen ..... **Amen**

Let the flowers close and the stars appear;  
Let hearts be glad and minds be calm  
And let God's people say Amen .... **Amen**

Let the light fall warm and red on the trees,  
Let the birds sing their evening song  
And let God's people say Amen ..... **Amen**

# TAIZÉ PRAYER

## WELCOME

*(a short silence will follow some sections)*

Peace on each one who comes in need, **Peace on each one who comes in joy**  
Peace on each one who offers prayers, **Peace each one who offers song**  
Peace on the Maker, Peace of the Son, **Peace of the Spirit, the True One.**

## THE BLESSING

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.**

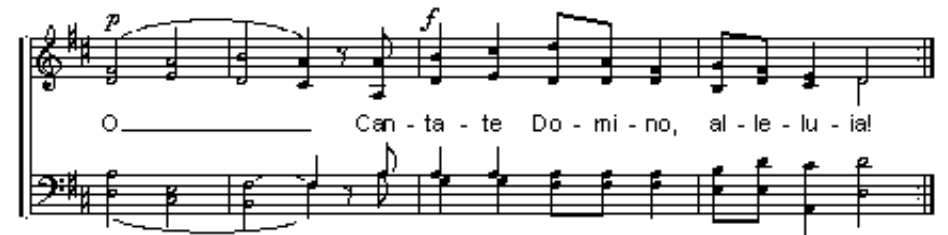
The blessing of the Trinity be upon you now and evermore.



Glo - ri-a! Glo - ri-a! In ex-cel - sis De - o!  
Glo - ri-a! Glo - ri-a! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



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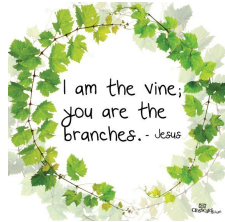


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## READING John 1.1-8

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'



#### MEDITATION

How might it feel to be part of the vine?  
 Not just to see the vineyard from afar  
 Or even pluck the clusters, press the wine,  
**But to be grafted in, to feel the stir  
 Of inward sap that rises from our root,  
 Himself deep planted in the ground of Love,**  
 To feel a leaf unfold a tender shoot,  
 As tendrils curled unfurl, as branches give  
 A little to the swelling of the grape,  
**In gradual perfection, round and full,  
 To bear within oneself the joy and hope  
 Of God's good vintage, till it's ripe and whole.**  
 What might it mean to bide and to abide  
 In such rich love as makes the poor heart glad?

*Malcolm Guite*

#### PRAYERS



Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e E - le - is - on

Lord God our Father, In the power of the risen Lord, lead your people out of darkness into light.

Christ Jesus, risen in glory, **Scatter the darkness from our hearts and from your world.....Kyrie.....**

We pray for peace in our world, bring peace to those who struggle against injustice, persecution, poverty and slavery

Christ Jesus, risen in glory, **Scatter the darkness from our hearts and from your world.....Kyrie.....**

Risen Lord, you appeared to Mary in the garden, to the travellers on the road to Emmaus, to the disciples in the upper room and on the beach : walk beside refugees, those seeking asylum and all who feel lost. May they find encouragement in your presence and glory.

Christ Jesus, risen in glory, **Scatter the darkness from our hearts and from your world.....Kyrie.....**

We remember before you all who walk in darkness and fear, who are weighed down and heavily laden. We pray for those in custody, burdened with debt or helplessly trapped.

Christ Jesus, risen in glory, **Scatter the darkness from our hearts and from your world.....Kyrie.....**

We rejoice in the glory of our risen Lord and we pray for loved ones departed that they may rejoice in the glory of your presence

Christ Jesus, risen in glory, **Scatter the darkness from our hearts and from your world.....Kyrie.....**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### CHANT



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