

I see your world in light that shines behind me,  
Lit by a sun whose rays I cannot see,  
The smallest gleam of light still seems to find me,  
Or find the child who's hiding deep inside me.....

I see your light reflected in the water,  
Or kindled suddenly in someone's eyes,  
It shimmers through translucent leaves in summer,  
Or spills from silver veins in leaden skies,.....

It gathers in the candles at our vespers,  
It concentrates in tiny drops of dew,  
At times it sings for joy, at times it whispers,  
But all the time it calls me back to you.....

I follow you upstream through this dark night  
My saviour, source, and spring, my life and light.

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.**

CHANT: Come and fill our hearts with your peace



WELLS CHURCHES TOGETHER

# TAIZÉ PRAYER

*some of the sections will be followed by 1 to 2 minutes silence*

Peace on each one who comes in need,

**Peace on each one who comes in joy**

Peace on each one who offers prayers,

**Peace on each one who offers song**

Peace of the Maker, Peace of the Son,

**Peace of the Spirit, the Triune one**

O God, for your love for us, warm and brooding, which has brought us to birth and opened our eyes to the wonder and beauty of creation,

**We give you thanks**

For your love for us, wild and freeing,

which has awakened us to creation's energy: to the sap that flows,

the blood that pulses,

the heart that sings.

**We give you thanks**

**SONG Make me a Channel of your Peace**

As the fever of day calms towards twilight

May all that is strained in us come to ease.

We pray for all who suffered violence today,

May an unexpected serenity surprise them.

For those who risk their lives each day for peace,

That those who make riches from violence and war

Might hear in their dreams the cries of the lost.

That those who enjoy the privilege of peace

Might not forget their tormented brothers and sisters.

That the wolf might lie down with the lamb,

That our swords be beaten into ploughshares

And no hurt or harm be done

Anywhere along the holy mountain.

*John O'Donohue*



CHANT: Sing out my Soul

Sing out my soul, Sing out my soul. Sing out and glor-i-fy the Lord who sets us free

Sing out my soul, Sing out my soul. Sing out and glor-i - fy the Lord God.

*In a few short sentences the Beatitudes are perhaps the most important, subversive and revolutionary text in the Bible.*

*'Brothers and sisters, listen carefully to these words from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. In them he declares the blessings of God's kingdom. He gives us a vision of a world redeemed by love, and the qualities of discipleship which will bring about that transformation.'*

- Blessed are the poor in spirit, **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**
- Blessed are those who mourn, **for they shall be comforted.**
- Blessed are the meek, **for they shall inherit the earth.**
- Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, **for they shall be satisfied.**
- Blessed are the merciful, for **they shall obtain mercy.**
- Blessed are the pure in heart, **for they shall see God.**
- Blessed are the peacemakers, **for they shall be called children of God.**
- Blessed are those who suffer persecution for righteousness' sake, **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

SONG: What does the Lord require of you?

What does the Lord re - quire of you? What does the Lord re -

quire? To do justice, to love mer-cy, to walk hum-bly with your God.

Our PRAYERS of INTERCESSION

Lord have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy,

Lord have mer - - - cy,

Eternal God, you created us in your image and you saved us through your Son Jesus: look with compassion upon the entire human family.....

Eternal God, your Spirit of life dwells within every human being: may the Spirit enable us to tear down walls of mistrust and fear.....

Eternal God, source of justice and peace establish peace among the nations, the fruit of your salvation: may all people sing your praises.....

Eternal God your love brings healing to our hatred and sadness: bring peace to your church, to the nations, to families and bring an inner peace to each of us .....

Christ Jesus you came to proclaim the joyful news of peace, help us to bring an end to deprivation, poverty and oppression in our societies.....

THE LORD'S PRAYER followed by SILENCE

CHANT: O Christe Domine Jesu

O Lord Jesus Christ

O Chris - te Do-mine Je - su, O Chris-te Do-mi-ne Je - su! O