

Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet on earth, but yours.
 Yours are the eyes through which Christ looks with compassion into the world.
 Yours are the feet with which Christ walks to do good.
 Yours are the hands with which Christ blesses the world.

St Teresa of Avila

HYMN

Of the Father's love begotten,
 Ere the worlds began to be,
 He is Alpha and Omega,
 He the source, the ending He,
 Of the things that are and have been,
 And that future years shall see,
 Evermore and evermore.

Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
 And, with Holy Ghost, to Thee,
 Hymn and chant and high
 thanksgiving,
 And unwearied praises be;
 Honor, glory, and dominion,
 And eternal victory,
 Evermore and evermore.

O ye heights of heav'n, adore Him;
 Angel hosts, His praises sing;
 All dominions, bow before Him,
 And extol our Lord and King.
 Let no tongue on earth be silent,
 Every voice in concert ring,
 Evermore and evermore.

*Let us go forth today In the love of our Creator,
 In the strength of our Redeemer, In the power of our Sustainer.
 In the fellowship of witnesses from all peoples across the globe.*

*Let us go forth today With compassion in our hearts
 Gratitude in our thoughts, Generosity in our deeds, Justice as our passion.*

*Let us go forth today Carrying God's image
 Into our hurting world.*

U-bi ca-ri - tas et a - mor, u-bi ca-ri - tas De-us i - bi est.

WELLS CHURCHES TOGETHER

TAIZÉ PRAYER



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

JOURNEYING FORWARD IN HOPE

Living God, like the sunrise in the eastern skies, this new year dawns before us. We welcome this year with an open heart. Lead us forward as we journey into this new year with hope. Kindle the fire that never dies away and stir our hearts anew. You have promised to make all things new and we hope and pray to see more clearly what you wish to reveal to us in the year ahead.

Theme A

The Lord is my light, my light and sal - va - tion: in
 God I trust, in God I trust. The

Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.
 Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
 Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.
 Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
 Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Alfred Lord Tennyson

READING **Isaiah 43.5-7**

5 Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you.

6 I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth,

7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."



With-in our dark-est night, you kin-dle the fire that nev-er dies a-



-way, that nev-er dies a- way with-in our dark-est night, you kin-dle the



fire that nev-er dies a - way, that nev-er dies a— way.

MEDITATION

Out of the darkness came light

And the power of God was revealed:

in the running wave and the flowing air,

In the quiet earth and the shining stars.

Out of the dust came life

And the image of God was revealed:

In the human face and the gentle heart,

In the warmth of flesh and the depth of soul.

Out of justice came freedom

And the wisdom of God was revealed:

in the need to grow and the will to love,

In the chance to know and the power to choose.

And God looked at the creation

And below it was very good.

Iona Community

WE PRAY....

after each prayer we sing Kyrie, Kyrie, E-lei-son



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

Eternal God, source of justice and peace, establish peace among the nations, the fruit of your salvation.....

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

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

Eternal God, you walk alongside the people of every land: show the leaders of nations how to follow the road of justice and peace.....

Christ Jesus, you wish to reconcile the human race: teach us to welcome refugees and immigrants, you bring down the wall of separation between people, reconcile us in your love.....

THE LORD'S PRAYER followed by SILENCE

CHANT

