A Taizé Liturgy
for the Season of Lent
Since my youth, I think that I have never lost the intuition that community life could be a sign that God is love, and love alone. Gradually the conviction took shape in me that it was essential to create a community with men determined to give their whole life and who would always try to understand one another and be reconciled, a community where kindness of heart and simplicity would be at the center of everything.”

- Brother Roger

Today, the Taizé Community is made up of over a hundred brothers, Catholics and from various Protestant backgrounds, coming from around thirty nations. By its very existence, the community is a “parable of community” that wants its life to be a sign of reconciliation between divided Christians and between separated peoples.

The brothers of the community live solely by their work. They do not accept donations. In the same way, they do not accept personal inheritances for themselves; the community gives them to the very poor.

Certain brothers live in some of the disadvantaged places in the world, to be witnesses of peace there, alongside people who are suffering. These small groups of brothers, in Asia, Africa and South America, share the living conditions of the people around them. They strive to be a presence of love among the very poor, street children, prisoners, the dying, and those who are wounded by broken relationships, or who have been abandoned.

Over the years, young adults have been coming to Taizé in ever greater numbers; they come from every continent to take part in weekly meetings.

“Renouncing from now on all thought of looking back, and joyful with boundless gratitude, never fear to run ahead of the dawn, to praise and bless and sing Christ your Lord.”

- The life profession

Find out more at: http://www.taize.fr/en
Opening Song

Adoramus te Domine

The song is repeated until brought to an end by the Presider.

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Bless the Lord my soul,
People: And bless God's holy name.

The song is repeated until brought to an end by the Presider.
Kyrie Eleison

The song is sung three times.

Silence

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Presider: Let us pray

People: Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Lector: Let us mark in holy scripture the good news of God for our lives and for the world.

A reading from the First Epistle to the Corinthians.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."
Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: Thanks be to God.

Silence

Song of Praise
Ubi Caritas

The song is repeated until brought to an end by the Presider.

Live in charity and steadfast love.

Ubi caritas et amor,

Live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

This refrain comes from a Latin hymn associated with the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday. Whether in English or Latin, it is most effective when sung unaccompanied and in parts. In many ways it is a miniature equivalent of “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” (see no. 727).
The Gospel

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Silence

The Nicene Creed

People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People
The People respond by singing the first verse of the song.

Leader: Christ Jesus, sent by God to reveal his love to all human beings, we pray to you.

People: O Lord hear my prayer... (sung)

Leader: Christ Jesus, risen from the dead you call your disciples your brothers and you lead us to the Father, Lord we pray to you.

People: O Lord hear my prayer... (sung)
Leader: Christ Jesus, everyone will recognize us as your friends when we love each other, we pray to you.

People: *O Lord hear my prayer...*(sung)

Leader: Christ Jesus, our own destiny is rooted in communion with you, we pray to you.

People: *O Lord hear my prayer...*(sung)

Leader: Christ Jesus, we pray for one another, especially for Sybil, Chris Mullahey, Rosemary Boost, the Young Family, Michelle Jefferson, Anne Jefferson, Tricia Johnson, Matthew Cadena, and Melissa Perrine; for those in the military and for the Church universal.

People: *O Lord hear my prayer...*(sung)

Leader: Christ Jesus, in you we become brothers and sisters for each other, make us grow in peace and reconciliation. We pray to you.

People: *O Lord hear my prayer...*(sung)

**The Confession**

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

**The Absolution**

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People: Amen.
The Peace

Presider: O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God.

Silence

Presider: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

Community News

Prayer of Blessing

Presider: Let us pray for God's blessing for our brothers and sisters in Christ.

People: Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory

Presider: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.
Offertory Song
O Christe Domine Jesu

The song is repeated until brought to an end by the Presider.

The Doxology

The song is sung twice.

Presider: Let us offer our thanks to God.
The Holy Eucharist

Presider: The table of bread is now to be made ready.
People: It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.

Presider: It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world,
People: with whom Jesus identified himself.

Presider: It is the table of communion with the earth
People: in which Christ became incarnate.

Presider: So come to this table, you who have much faith
People: and you who would like to have more;

Presider: you who have been here often
People: and you who have not been for a long time;

Presider: you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; come.
People: It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Presider: In Christ your Son our life and yours are brought together in a wonderful exchange. He made his home among us that we might forever dwell in you.
People: Through your Holy Spirit you call us to new birth in a creation restored by love.

Presider: As children of your redeeming purpose we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Sanctus

Dedicated to St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church and Congregation for their 80th Anniversary Year

arr. Patrick Walders

(Prayerful)

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of pow-er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Blessed is the one who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
Presider: We thank you, Lord our God, for this world which you have given us; you never cease to make it new, and you call us to work with you; you accept the work of our hands.

People: Sung twice.

Presider: You have made humankind in your image; each one of us is fashioned in your likeness, and we are able to recognise your face in the faces of our brothers and sisters.

People: Kyrie... (sung twice)

Presider: You have never desired to live apart from us, and you have taught us to know you through the Law and the Prophets, the Apostles and Evangelists, who told us the marvellous story of your love.

People: Kyrie... (sung twice)

Presider: And you have come to us in your Son, Jesus Christ. In him you have walked along our roads, looked at us with human eyes, done the kind of things that we do, and shared with us the joy that can never be lost.

People: Kyrie... (sung twice)

Presider: On the night he was betrayed, your Son, Jesus Christ took bread, blessed, broke and gave it to his disciples saying, “Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you.” Likewise he also took the cup, offered you thanks and gave it to them saying, “Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Now you give us his Body and Blood, and we give ourselves to you. Through the death and resurrection of your Son, through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us, we can make you our eternal home.

(The song is repeated until brought to an end by the Presider).
Made one in Christ and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, living act of praise

Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome to receive holy communion in this church.

You are welcome to come forward at this time to receive the bread and wine.
If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate so by crossing your hands across your chest.
Communion Song

Eat This Bread

The song is repeated until brought to an end by the Presider.

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Let us pray.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.

People: The Lord is our help and our shield.

Presider: Our hearts find joy in the Lord.

People: We trust in God's holy name.

Presider: May your love be upon us, O Lord,

People: as we place all our hope in you.

The Blessing

Presider: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you
and give you his peace.
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you, now and evermore.

People: Amen.
**Closing Song**

*Wait for the Lord*

The song is repeated until brought to an end by the Presider

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&\text{Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.} \\
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&\text{Wait for the Lord; be strong, take heart!}
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**The Dismissal**

**Presider:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

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**This Sunday’s Ministers**

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What's Coming Up
This Week

Monday  March 9th
The Living Room Drop In
9:00-10:00am  Andrew’s Hall

Tuesday  March 10th
Hunger Supper
6:00pm Andrew’s Hall

Wed.  March 11th
Tai Chi
9:00-10:30am Church

Lent Soup Supper
Taize and Catholic Workers
6:30pm Andrews Hall

Saturday  March 14th
Trinity University Chamber Singers Concert
7:30pm Church

Sunday  March 15th
Praise & Worship Eucharist
10:00am Church
Worship Space Forum
11:30am Andrews Hall

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NOTES: The liturgy for the Eucharistic Prayer is taken from the Second Thanksgiving Prayer Published by the General Synod of the Scottish Episcopal Church and from the Iona Abbey Worship Book.