

Prayer in the Style of Taizé
January 7, 2025 – The Season of Epiphany
25 Years of Taizé at AHUMC

*Christ Jesus, sent by God, you assure us that God can do nothing other than love.
We wish to follow you, and in our turn, express this good news by our lives. [Brother Roger]*

Welcome – Rev. Donna Strieb

No. 16, Glory to God

Glory to God, glory to God,
Glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God,
Alleluia, alleluia!

Gloria! Gloria! In excelsis deo!
Gloria! Gloria! Alleluia, alleluia!

No. 18, Raise a Song of Gladness

Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth.
Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to every heart.
Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!
Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!

Alleluia with Selections from Psalm 36:5-10

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 60:1-6

No. 36, The Lord Is My Light

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:
In God I trust, in God I trust.

Gospel Reading - Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

No. 48, Sing Praises All You Peoples (*Laudate omnes gentes*)

Sing praises, all you peoples,
Sing praises to the Lord. (repeat)
Laudate omnes gentes, laudate Dominum.
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Silent Meditation

Kyrie Eleison

Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison

Holy Communion with The Lord's Prayer (Our Father) (UM Hymnal page 12)

*Holy Communion is served by intinction. Come forward to receive a piece of bread
and dip the bread in The Cup. All are welcome at the Lord's Table!*

Song During Communion

No. 28, Come and Fill Our Hearts

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone O God are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

Alleluia.

Prayer after Receiving

Lord Jesus Christ (Jésus le Christ)

Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us.

Let not my doubts nor my darkness speak to me.

Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us.

Let my heart always welcome your love.

Benediction

The Taizé Team/Ensemble: Rev. Donna Strieb, Rev. Janet Weatherston, Dan St. Romain (piano), Carol Jeffries-Horner (Clarinet), Bette Richards (Flute). Media Technician, Rick Alvarez

Our next Service of Taizé will be Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

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Prayer in the Style of Taizé is a meditative type of worship that incorporates beautiful repetitive songs based on scripture, brief scripture readings, and a short time of silence that invite prayer of the heart. Holy Communion is also offered along with a prayerful candle-lighting opportunity. This service began in September 1999 at AHUMC and is now in its 25th year of ministry.

Our order of worship is based on the ones used by the ecumenical Christian Community of Taizé in France. The Taizé Community in France was founded by Brother Roger Schultz, a Swiss protestant who wanted to bring reconciliation between Protestants and Catholics following World War II. Today this community of over 100 Brothers plus an order of Sisters welcome thousands of young people (age 18-35) each summer, a week at a time. People come from all over the world for retreat, prayer and worship with the Community. The Taizé Community is an ecumenical order of Protestant, Catholic, and Orthodox Christians.