Prayer in the Style of Taizé

December 3, 2025 - The Season of Advent

Come Lord Jesus! Be born in us anew!

Prelude

Welcome - Rev. Donna Strieb

No. 12, Wait for the Lord

Wait for the Lord, whose day is come. Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart!

No. 11, It Is Good to Trust

It is good to trust in the Lord our God, Trust and hope in the Lord our God.

Alleluia No. 2, with Selections from Psalm 25

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 33:14-16

The Kingdom of God (Chants 125)

The Kingdom of God is justice and peace And joy in the Holy Spirit. Come Lord, and open in us The gates of your Kingdom.

New Testament Reading – I Thessalonians 3:9-14

No. 47, In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice; Look to God, do not be afraid; Lift up your voices, the Lord is near; Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

[During the singing, you are invited to come forward to light a candle and offer a prayer as you place it in one of the bowls.]

Gospel Reading – Luke 1:26-34

No. 45, Sing Out My Soul

Sing out my soul, Sing out my soul.

Sing out and glorify the Lord who sets us free.

Sing out my soul. Sing out my soul.

Sing out and glorify the Lord God!

Magnificat, Magnificat,

Magnificat anima mea Dominum.

Magnificat, Magnificat,

Magnificat anima mea!

Silent Meditation

Kyrie Eleison

Holy Communion [United Methodist Hymnal, page 12]

The Lord's Prayer (Our Father)

No.43, Holy Is the Name of God

Holy is the name of God.

Sing out my soul, praising God evermore.

Holy is the name of God. Sing out my soul, giving praise to God.

Sanctum nomen Domini

Magnificat anima mea

Sanctum nomen Domini

Magnificat anima mea

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

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this Holy Mystery in which you have given yourself for us. Help us now to go back into the world in the strength of your spirit to give ourselves for others. In the Name of Jesus Christ, amen.

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!

Benediction

Postlude

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Worship Leaders: Rev. Donna Strieb, Rev. Janet Weatherston, Carr Honbuckle, Bette Richards (Flute), Rev. Linda Baumheckel (Piano); Media – Rick Alvarez

About Taizé:

Taizé music uses simple repetitive words designed to become a sung prayer. Sometimes Latin words are use, a language considered to be universal.

Silence is essential to the heart of prayer, for when we are silent, God can speak to us. *Be still and know that I am God!* (Psalm 46:10)

Icons are sacred images that allow one to pray with the eyes, gazing into the realities of the Kingdom of God. They create a space of peace and are appropriate to the Christian Seasons.

Our next Service of Taizé: Wednesday, January 7, 2026 6:30 p.m. Garden Chapel

Alamo Heights United Methodist Church (Find more information at www.ahumc.org/taize