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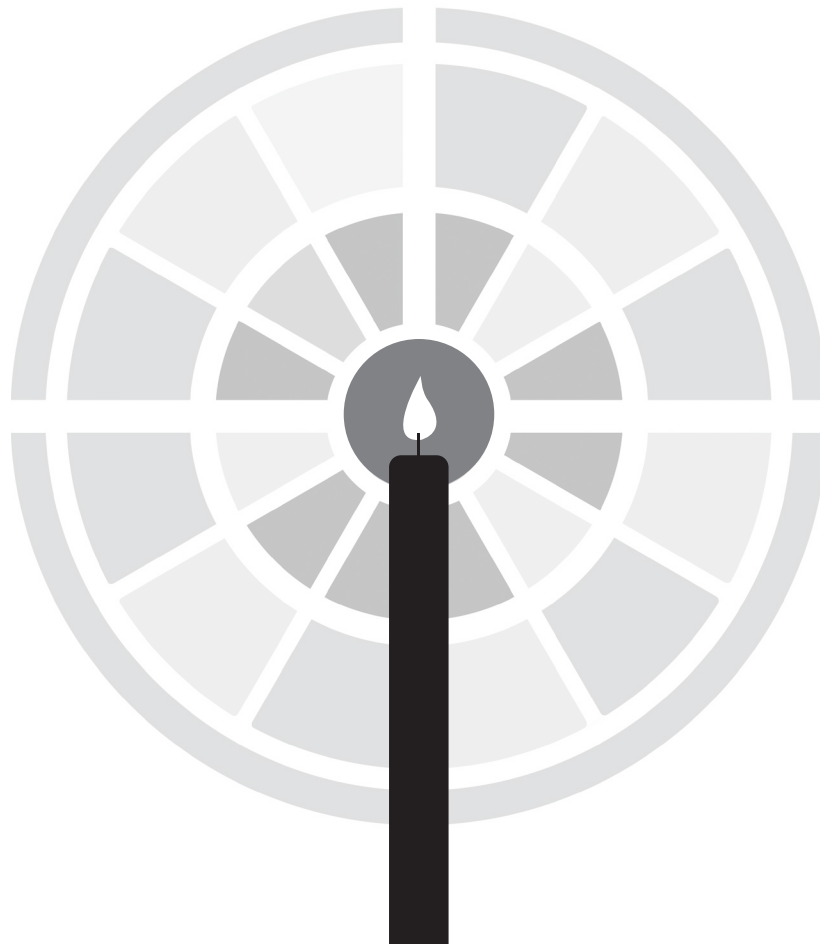
CANDLELIT PRAYER

with music from

TAIZÉ

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

7:00 PM



Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all Coast Salish tribes.

Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral and this service of Taizé Prayer. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here!

To learn more about Taizé Prayer at Saint Mark's, visit saintmarks.org/taize.

If you are new to Saint Mark's and would like to learn more, please consider completing a newcomer form found in the pew rack, visit saintmarks.org/newcomers or simply contact one of the clergy. Grace and peace to you!

Tonight's liturgy is themed around Creation Care and Environmental Justice, and is sponsored by the Creation Care Ministry at Saint Mark's. To learn more about Creation Care at Saint Mark's, and the ways you can support this ministry, visit saintmarks.org/creation.

As the community gathers, all are invited to settle in silence. You may remain seated throughout the entire service.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT & WELCOME

GATHERING SONG *See, I am near*

WORDS: cf. Revelation 21:5;

MUSIC: Taizé

See, I am near, says the Lord. See, I make all things new.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and contemplative, with a steady rhythm. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line.

(sung underneath the verses)

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Verses sung by cantor:

The grass withers and the flower fades, but the word of our God remains forever.

Go up on a high mountain, herald of good news; lift up your voice, do not fear.

Here is our God, who comes like a shepherd, who gathers and cares for his flock.

To whom will we liken God? Who can compare to God? Lift up your eyes and look.

Heavens, shout for joy, exult, O earth. The Lord comforts his people.

Those who hope in God renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings like eagles.

Do not consider the past, God does a new thing, already it emerges, do you not see it?

READING

From *A Holy Island Prayer Book*, by Ray Simpson

WE BLESS you, Lord
For the beauty of the trees
The softness of the air
The fragrance of the grass

We bless you, Lord
For the soaring of the skies
The rhythms of the earth
The stillness of the night

We bless you Lord
For the freshness of the morning
The dewdrops on the flower
For the twinkling of the stars

We bless you, Lord
For the taste of good food
The trail of the sun
And the life that never goes away ♦

– Chief Dan George

SONG

Laudate omnes gentes (Sing praises, all you peoples)

WORDS: Psalm 117:1;

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier (1923–1994)

Lau - da - te om - nes gen - tes, lau - da - te Do - mi - num.
Sing prais - es, all you peo - ples, sing prais - es to the Lord.

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READING

Job 12:7-10

ASK THE animals, and they will teach you;
the birds of the air, and they will tell you;
ask the plants of the earth, and they will teach you;
and the fish of the sea will declare to you.

Who among all these does not know
that the hand of the Lord has done this?
In his hand is the life of every living thing
and the breath of every human being. ♦

All are invited to remain seated in silence, for yourself and others, and enter into an extended period of meditation.

THE GREAT SILENCE



SONG*In the Lord rejoicing! (Jubilate Deo)*WORDS: Luke 24:1-10; Mark 16:1-8; Matthew 28:1-8;
MUSIC: Michael Praetorius (1571–1621); arr. Berthier

All are invited to sing this hymn in a continuous round, the north side starting, the south side following one measure later. (North is the right side of the altar, the side of the lectern. South is the left side, the side of the flowers.)

In the Lord re-joic-ing! Christ is ris - en from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia!
Ju - bi - la - te De - o, ju - bi - la - te De - o, al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The vocalist introduces the Kyrie, all repeat. The intercessor offers the prayers, all repeat the Kyrie when indicated.

Intercessor For your creation, For the grandeur of all that you have made, For your healing waters, For the sunlight of day, the darkness of night, the stars, and the universe, let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.**

Intercessor For the richness of the good earth that brings forth fruits and flowers, for the birds of the air, the creatures on the Earth, the fishes in the seas, for all creatures great and small with whom we share this precious web of life, let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.**

Intercessor For the conviction that you have called us to love and restore the Earth, For repentance and the determination to begin our stewardship anew, let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.**

Intercessor For all who live on this earth, for the poor, hungry, and neglected all over the world, that their cries for daily bread may inspire works of compassion and mercy among those to whom much has been given, let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.**

Intercessor For the health of women, children and families around the world, for those denied basic education, who are discriminated against, or suffer from violence of any kind, that your saving health will go to all who are afflicted, and that all may be equipped to seek the blessings of a healthy earth, liberty, justice, and peace, let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.**

Intercessor Let us take care of each other, and of the earth, our island home. Let us end divisions, inequalities, and climate injustice. Let us live our lives with open hearts, within your creation and your spacious loving kindness. May all peoples—near and far—know and live in justice, harmony, and peace. Let us find our way to love. Let us pray.

People **Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.**

(“Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison.” is Greek for “Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.”)

CANDLE LIGHTING

All are invited to bring the prayers in your heart to Christ, symbolized by lighting a single candle in the candle bowl. Please place your candle as close to the center as possible, working outward as more candles are added.

SONG DURING CANDLE LIGHTING *It is good to trust (Bonum est confidere)*

WORDS: cf. Psalm 118:8-9;

MUSIC: Berthier

The image shows a musical score for a song. It consists of two staves. The top staff is labeled 'melody' and the bottom staff is labeled 'harmony'. Both staves are in a key signature of one flat (B-flat major) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody staff has a treble clef and the harmony staff has a bass clef. The lyrics are written between the two staves. The melody staff has a repeat sign at the beginning and end. The harmony staff also has a repeat sign at the beginning and end. The lyrics are: 'It is good to trust in the Lord our God, trust and hope in the Lord our God. Bo-num est con - fi - de - re in Do - mi - no, bo-num spe - ra - re in Do - mi - no.'

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(prayed by all)*

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother,
holy and blessed is your name.
We pray for your reign of peace to come,
we pray that your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day the bread we need,
give it to those who have not enough.
Let forgiveness flow between us.
Deliver us from evil.
For yours is the power and the glory
and the mercy now and forever. Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

HOLY SPIRIT, filling the universe, as a breath of silence you tell each of us: “Be afraid of nothing. Deep within you is the presence of God; seek and you will find.” **Amen.**

– *Brother Roger Schütz, founder of Taizé*

CLOSING SONG *Seek ye first*

WORDS: Matthew 6:33; 7:7; adapt. Karen Lafferty;

MUSIC: Karen Lafferty (b. 1948)

All are invited to sing this song in a two-part round.

Low voices start; high voices begin when the low voices reach 2.

1
Seek ye first the king - dom of God and its right - eous - ness,
and all these things shall be add-ed un-to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
2
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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ABOUT THE ICON: *The icon that is the focus of our prayer tonight is a Resurrection icon pictured on the cover of the leaflet was commissioned for the St. Petersburg/Seattle Sister Church Program. It was "written" by Russian iconographer Yakov Prokofiev, blessed by Metropolitan Vladimir, and brought to Seattle in August, 2011. Saint Mark's members Dick and Jane Carter were instrumental in the commissioning of the icon. The image represents Jesus standing over the broken gates of Hell lifting Adam and Eve out of their graves, with kings, prophets, and patriarchs looking on.*



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