On all who have lost hope or joy, Lord, have mercy.

On all who are unable to cope, Lord, have mercy.

On all who are weak and heavily-burdened, **Lord, have mercy.**

On all who are fearful and anxious, Lord, have mercy.

On all who are lost who have strayed, Lord, have mercy.

On all who feel forsaken and betrayed, Lord, have mercy.

On all who are powerless and helpless, Lord, have mercy.

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name...

Chant 12: De noche ♪

Silence

A prayer by Brother Roger, founder of the Taizé Community

Jesus, our hope, enable us to hear your voice when you say to us, "I, Christ, love you." That is a source of peace for our heart.

Silence

Chant 32 : Mon âme se repose ♪

We leave in silence.

Please allow those who wish to do so to continue to pray undisturbed.

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Taizé Prayer 86 (66) 5th June 2016

Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community for Trinity 2

Welcome! Please feel free to sit quietly or to join in as you feel most comfortable. We will be following a pattern based on the worship of the Taizé Community, one of whose aims has always been to make Christian worship as simple and uncluttered as possible.

Taizé is a small village in eastern France. For almost 70 years, it has been the home of a Christian monastic community made up of brothers from many different countries, speaking many different languages and, uniquely, belonging to several different Christian denominations. Catholics, Anglicans, Protestants, Orthodox and others live and pray together, share a simple life and welcome the tens of thousands of visitors who come to spend time with them every year from all over the world.

The numbers refer to the orange booklet of Taizé Chants which you received as you joined us. This symbol I indicates that we sing the English translation provided alongside the music.



Opening Silence

Food for Thought in the Silence

"Praise brings us out of solitude and into communion. I thank God for a gift, and I escape from my isolation. A gift received from God overflows and spreads out. When I am filled, I become a seed of communion. I become hospitable."

Seeds of Trust, Taizé

Chant 139 : Aber du weißt den Weg

Lord, gather all my thoughts,
Fill my heart with your love.
In you I find light
In the deepest night.
In you I find patience,
And help in time of need.
Though I often do not understand,
I will trust you,
Who hold me by the hand.

From Psalm 44

We have heard it with our ears, O God; our ancestors have told us what you did in their days, in days long ago. With your hand you drove out the nations and planted our ancestors [..]. It was not by their sword that they won the land, nor did their arm bring them victory; it was your right hand, your arm, and the light of your face, for you loved them. You are my King and my God, who decrees victories for Jacob. [...] I put no trust in my bow, my sword does not bring me victory; but you give us victory over our enemies, you put our adversaries to shame. In God we make our boast all day long, and we will praise your name forever.

Silence

In the silence, we entrust ourselves to God, who loves us. Then, confident of his loving-kindness towards us, we sing...

Chant 1 : Dans nos obscurités \$\infty\$

A reading from Mark chapter 4

Jesus said: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.' And he said, 'Let anyone with ears to hear listen!'

Chant 9 : Jésus le Christ ♪

Mark chapter 4, continued

When he was alone, those who were around him along with the twelve asked him about the parables. And he said to them, 'To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside, everything comes in parables; in order that "they may indeed look, but not perceive, and may indeed listen, but not understand; so that they may not turn again and be forgiven."' And he said to them, 'Do you not

understand this parable? Then how will you understand all the parables? The sower sows the word. These are the ones on the path where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: when they hear the word, they immediately receive it with joy. But they have no root, and endure only for a while; then, when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. And others are those sown among the thorns: these are the ones who hear the word, but the cares of the world, and the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things come in and choke the word, and it yields nothing. And these are the ones sown on the good soil: they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.'

Chant 14 : Tui amoris ignem ♪

Long Silence

For Silent Reflection

"We need to remember that it is not our faith that creates God, and it is not our doubts that can cast him into nothingness. Even were we to feel no apparent resonance, the mysterious presence of Christ never disappears. Although we may have the impression of an absence, there is above all the wonder of his continual presence."

God is Love Alone Br. Roger of Taizé

Chant 135: Frieden, frieden

Joy I give you
As the world cannot give;
Let your heart find rest in my love,
Do not let it be afraid.

Silence

Intercessions

On all who are discouraged, depressed or dejected,

Lord, have mercy.