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Saturday in the Third Week of Lent

Saturday, March 21, 2020 7:00 pm

A service of Evening Prayer with Taizé music

Gathering Song 'The Lord is my light' (Theme I) *Songs & Prayers from Taizé #36*

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

Psalm 136

¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

² Give thanks to the God of gods, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

³ Give thanks to the Lord of lords, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

⁴ Who only does great wonders, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

⁵ Who by wisdom made the heavens, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

⁶ Who spread out the earth upon the waters, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

⁷ Who created great lights, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

⁸ The sun to rule the day, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

⁹ The moon and the stars to govern the night, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

¹⁰ Who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

¹¹ And brought out Israel from among them, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

¹² With a mighty hand and a stretched-out arm, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

¹³ Who divided the Red Sea in two, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

¹⁴ And made Israel to pass through the midst of it,
* for his mercy endures for ever;

¹⁵ But swept Pharaoh and his army into the Red
Sea, * for his mercy endures for ever;

¹⁶ Who led his people through the wilderness, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

¹⁷ Who struck down great kings, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

¹⁸ And slew mighty kings, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

¹⁹ Sihon, king of the Amorites, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

²⁰ And Og, the king of Bashan, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

²¹ And gave away their lands for an inheritance, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

²² An inheritance for Israel his servant, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

²³ Who remembered us in our low estate, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

²⁴ And delivered us from our enemies, *
for his mercy endures for ever;

²⁵ Who gives food to all creatures, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

²⁶ Give thanks to the God of heaven, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

Lector: A reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands,* thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it;* and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.*) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, ‘Why do your disciples not live* according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?’ He said to them, ‘Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

“This people honours me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.”

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.’

Then he said to them, ‘You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition! For Moses said, “Honour your father and your mother”; and, “Whoever speaks evil of father or mother must surely die.” But you say that if anyone tells father or mother, “Whatever support you might have had from me is Corban” (that is, an offering to God*)— then you no longer permit doing anything for a father or mother, thus making void the word of God through your tradition that you have handed on. And you do many things like this.’

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’”

When he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about the parable. He said to them, ‘Then do you also fail to understand? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile, since it enters, not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?’ (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, ‘It is what comes out of a person that defiles. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’

Lector: Here ends the Reading.

Silence (1 minute)

Song ‘God is forgiveness’

God is for - give - ness. Dare to for - give and God will be with you.

God — is for - give - ness. Love, and do not fear.

SILENCE The beginning and ending of the Silence is announced by a bell tone. During this period of silence, we will light prayer candles on your behalf while you offer personal petitions. Of course, you may light your own candles at home. **There will be one minute of silence after all the candles are lit.**

Intercessions

‘Lord of all goodness’ *Songs & Prayers from Taizé #30*
The *‘Responsive song verse’* will be sung twice after each intercession.

Responsive song verse: “Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

O Christ, you offer us healing; may we live by your life.

Responsive song verse: “Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

O Christ, you renew our hope; may we live by your life.

Responsive song verse : Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

O Christ, you sat at table with sinners; may we live by your life.

Responsive song verse: Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

O Christ, you raised up your friend Lazarus; may we live by your life.

Responsive song verse: “Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

O Christ, you forgave Peter when he repudiated you and you called him to follow you; may we live by your life.

Responsive song verse “Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

O Christ, in you our resurrection has already begun; may we live by your life.

Responsive song verse: “Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

[In Unison] O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Responsive song verse: “Lord of all goodness, Son of the Father, may your peace surround us.”

SILENCE (4 minutes)

Let us pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

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.

Sending Song

‘Nothing can trouble’

Songs & Prayers from Taizé #29

“Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten. Those who seek God shall never go wanting.
Nothing can trouble. Nothing can frighten. God alone fills us.”

Officiant

Let us pray together A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Officiant

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13:14

Tonight’s Worship Leadership

Winnie Follett – Officiant

Anthony Petrone – Music Director & Organist

The Rev. Monica Whitaker – Lector

Connie Johnson – Videographer

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