

Epiphany 2005 Service in the Style of Taize

Service of Contemplative Prayer in the Style of Taizé

Seekers Church

A Christian Community

In the Tradition of the Church of the Saviour

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January 2, 2005

CIRCLE TIME

ENTRANCE

Chant:
Songbook # 41

Taize

Veni Sancte Spiritus

Come Holy Spirit

REFLECTION

Love came down at Christmas, Love all lovely, Love divine;
Love was born at Christmas; star and angels gave the sign.
Worship we the Godhead, love incarnate, love divine;
Worship we our Jesus, but wherewith for sacred sign?
Love shall be our token; love be yours and love be mine,
Love to God and neighbor, love for plea and gift and sign.

Christina Rossetti

CHANT

Taize

Songbook # 47

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful...

SILENCE

CHANT

Taize

Songbook # 20

O Lord hear my prayer...

PRAYERS

CHANT

Taize

Songbook # 36

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation

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SCRIPTURE

READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

READING FROM THE GOSPEL

SILENCE

OFFERING

Chant:
Songbook # 9

Taize

Bless the Lord, my soul ...

COMMUNION

Leader 1: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God.

Leader 2: We come to the Lord's table as chosen people.

We come in our brokenness

and in our desire for life lived out of love.

People: O God, in our inmost spirits,
transform our sharing of bread and wine

into an opening of us into you,
into one another, into creation.

Increase your life within us

so that we may more totally be the body of
Christ.

Leader 1: Friends, all persons who sincerely turn away from
sin,

and desire to live a new life of loving and
doing God's will,

are welcome to receive this sacrament in
faith.

Leader 2: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life.

She who comes to me shall never hunger;

he who believes in me shall never thirst."

Come. Believe.

Leader 1: On the night of his arrest Jesus took bread,

and after giving thanks to God, broke it and
said,

"This is my body which is for you; do this
remembering me."

(BREAKING OF THE BREAD)

Leader 2: After supper Jesus took the cup and said, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood; whenever you drink it, do this remembering me."

(POURING OF THE FRUIT OF THE VINE)

(SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS)

Chant:
Songbook # 49

Taize

Ubi caritas et amor ...

Where there is charity and love ...

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Unison: God of new life, with joy we have received this sacrament of bread and wine, giving you thanks for Jesus Christ, our peace and our hope. Unite your church throughout the world in continuing Christ's ministry of love and servanthood, that your name may be praised in all the earth.
AMEN.

CHANT
Songbook # 16

Taize

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

BENEDICTION

Leader: Go into the world in peace;
 have courage; hold onto what is good;
 return to no one evil for evil;
 strengthen the fainthearted; support the
weak;

 help the suffering;
 honor all people;
 love and serve God,
 rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.