

# Taizé Prayers Around the Cross

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## About Taizé

Taizé (“teh-ZAY”) is a small village in France. In 1940 Brother Roger Schulz founded a small community there to work toward unity among Christians and among all of humanity. Prayer is the center of life for the community.

## What is Taizé Prayer Around the Cross?

Taizé Prayer Around the Cross is a short, contemplative prayer service that combines several forms of prayer through singing, verbal and unspoken prayers, and periods of silence. The service also has a scripture reading and silent reflection on the reading so that the scripture may sink deep into our hearts. The evening ends with an invitation to pray at the cross. Pray in whatever way you feel most comfortable, entrusting the prayer of your heart to Christ. Spend all the time you need at the cross.

On one of his visits to Taizé, **Pope John Paul II** addressed the young people gathered at Taize:

“... one passes through Taizé as one passes close to a spring of water ... The brothers of the community, you know, do not want to keep you. They want, in prayer and silence, to enable you to drink the living water promised by Christ, to know his joy, to discern his presence, to respond to his call, then to set out again to witness to his love and to serve your brothers and sisters ...”

**Services: Wednesdays 6:45pm – 7:30pm**  
**July 24, August 28, September 25,**  
**October 23, November 20**

**Advent**

**Monday, December 2, Wednesday December 11 & 18**

## Some Taizé chants:

*Jesus, remember me  
when you come into  
our kingdom.*

*O Lord, hear my  
prayer, O Lord, hear  
my prayer. When I  
call answer me.*

*O Lord, hear my  
prayer, O Lord, hear  
my prayer. Come and  
listen to me.*

*Ubi caritas et amor,  
Ubi caritas  
Deus ibi est.*

*Bless the Lord my  
soul, and bless God's  
holy name. Bless the  
Lord my soul who  
leads me into life.*

*The Lord is my light,  
my light and  
salvation. In Him I  
trust. In Him I trust.*