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Lectio Divina and Taizé Prayer Service

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We welcome all of you tonight to our Lectio Divina and Taize prayer service. We invite you to allow the living Word to speak to you through the three guided scripture readings that make up the Lectio Divina. Through Taize Prayer, we work to open our hearts and minds wider to the Word of the Lord through music, scripturally inspired chants, and bold, receptive silence.

After the opening prayer, as the music begins, we will be lighting a candle for your prayer intentions that you have shared with us. You are also welcome to light a candle at home for your personal prayer intentions and for the prayer intentions of our entire community.

Thank you for your presence here tonight. Let us prepare our hearts in prayer together.



Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



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LECTIO DIVINA

Listen to the Word of the Lord. What one word or phrase does the Holy Spirit impress on you?

The first reading from the Gospel of Luke (Luke 16:19-31)

Iesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent. Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead."

What one word or phrase does the Holy Spirit impress upon you?

As we sit in silence, let us become aware of the presence of our Lord. If you cannot focus on His presence, use this time to invite Him into Your heart.

(You are welcome to write down what you wish to remember from this prayer experience below.)

Holy Spirit, Come to Us Ostinato Refrain Ho - ly Spir-it, come to us, kin-dle in us the fire of your love. Ven, Es - pi - ri - tu de Dios, y de tu_a-mor en-cien-de la lla-ma. Ve - ni San-cte Spí - ri - tus, a - mó-ris tu - i i - gnem ac-cén-de. Ho - ly Spir-it, come to Ho-ly Spir-it, come to us, us. Ven, Es - pi - ri - tu de a-mor, ven, Es - pí - ri tu de_a-mor. Spí - ri - tus, Ve - ni San-cte ve - ni San - cte Spí - ri - tus

Text: John 13:35, 15:12–13, 1 John 3:16, 4:10, 16 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994 © 1998, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

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Listen again to the Word of the Lord. What word or phrase is the Holy Spirit impressing on you? Enter into the scripture passage. How is the Word calling out to you at this moment in your life?

The second reading from the Gospel of Luke (Luke 16:19-31)

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames." Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent. Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead."

> How is the Word calling out to you at this moment in your life? Does your heart call back in need, or in thanksgiving, or both?

As we sit in silence, let us ask for the desire for a deep relationship with Jesus. Let us invite Him to walk with us in each moment of our days, but especially this moment, now.



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Open your whole heart and mind to the Word of the Lord. How is the Lord inviting you into closeness with Him?

The third reading from the Gospel of Luke (Luke 16:19-31)

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours. He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent. Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead."

Your Father knows your needs before you tell Him. Rest quietly in the peaceful presence of the Lord.

As we sit in silence, let us offer our hearts to the Lord. Let us give ourselves, our wills, our desires, and our thoughts as an offering.





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CLOSING PRAYER and CONCLUDING SONG



Music: Chant; adapt. by Robert J. Snow, 1926-1998.

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