

"Prayer is a serene force at work within human beings, stirring them up, changing their hearts, never allowing them to close their eyes in the face of evil, of wars, of all



that threatens the innocent of this world. From it we draw the energy to wage other struggles, to transform the human condition and to make the earth a fit place to live."

Brother Roger founder, Taizé Community

Healing Prayer in the Style of Taizé

St. David's Episcopal Church hosts five Healing services in the coming year ahead:

Friday, July 31, 2009 (8 pm)

Friday, September 11, 2009

Friday, November 13, 2009

Friday, January 22, 2010

Friday, March 5, 2010

Services begin at 7:00 p.m. (except the July 31 service as noted above). We gather in the main sanctuary at St. David's, 16200 West Twelve Mile Road (between Greenfield and Southfield Road on the north side of the street).

If you would like to sing in the choir please arrive at 6:00 p.m.

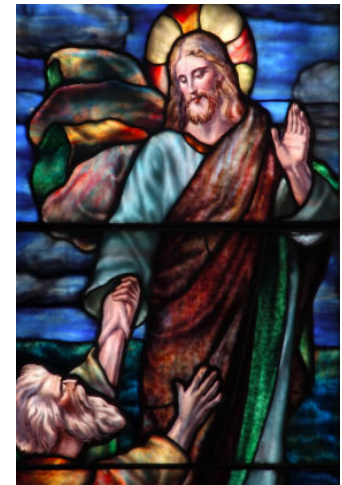
If you would like to come early and sit in quiet meditation, the Sanctuary opens at 6:00 p.m.

Services last about one hour.

Clergy are present to anoint those seeking healing during the service.

A Prayer Labyrinth is available in the Parish Hall following the Healing Service.

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Jesus the Healer, Stained Glass, 19th Century

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Worshiping
Christ the
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The worship tradition called Taizé (pronounced: Tay-zay) began less than one hundred years ago in the ecumenical French monastic community of the same name. It is a quiet service of meditation, reflection, reading, music and healing.



The experience finds its true meaning in the active participation of all assembled by focusing and deepening our faith through the power of prayer to bring spiritual, mental and physical healing. Therefore, everyone is encouraged to participate as the Spirit moves whether in song, prayer, or quiet meditation.

These days much of our modern, personal need is for entertainment. Our souls are “busy.” The liturgy that has developed around the Taizé community is primarily for the worship of God, but it is also meant to quiet the soul and to create a much-needed place for healing. This quietness does not happen at once, but gradually during the worship. There is repetition in the words of the music, there are many periods of silence, and the readings are read slowly—all so that we may have a deep quiet growth in our hearts. Then we may be still and at peace in the presence of Jesus and through this stillness accept his healing.

Healing and Meditation

Our doors open an hour before the 7:00 p.m. service begins as we desire to welcome all who experience the frenetic pace of modern life the opportunity to slow down. Feel free to come early, listen to the choir rehearse, and ready your heart for worship.



*A typical evening of worship in
Taizé, France.*

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About Taizé

Taizé is an ecumenical, international religious community that began in France during World War II. The brothers and sisters welcome thousands of visitors each year, mostly young adults who come to study scripture and be part of an intentional worshipping community. The mission of the Taizé community is to help seekers find meaning for their lives and deepen their relationship with God in the company of others. The song and prayer of Taizé is offered for the healing of our world, for the healing of our lives.



Healing Prayer in the Style of Taizé is a ministry of the St. David's Altar Guild, the Seraphim Chapter of the Order of St. Luke, and the Sisters of Bethany Chapter of the Daughters of the King.