

**ECUMENICAL SERVICE OF CELEBRATION OF THE 75TH
ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST WORLD CONFERENCE OF THE
COMMISSION ON FAITH AND ORDER**

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Opening procession (*all stand*) : (*Praise the Lord*)

Laudate Dominum

Choral ostinato

Jacques Berthier

The musical score is for a choral ostinato in 3/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, then a quarter note B4. This is followed by a half note G#4, then a half note A4. The melody continues with a quarter note G4, then a quarter note F#4, then a quarter note E4. The bass staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The bass line starts with a quarter note G3, followed by a quarter note A3, then a quarter note B3. This is followed by a half note G#3, then a half note A3. The bass line continues with a quarter note G3, then a quarter note F#3, then a quarter note E3. The second system also has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, then a quarter note B4. This is followed by a half note G#4, then a half note A4. The melody continues with a quarter note G4, then a quarter note F#4, then a quarter note E4. The bass staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The bass line starts with a quarter note G3, followed by a quarter note A3, then a quarter note B3. This is followed by a half note G#3, then a half note A3. The bass line continues with a quarter note G3, then a quarter note F#3, then a quarter note E3. The score includes lyrics: 'Lau da - te Do-mi- num, lau da - te Domi-num' and 'omnes gentes, Al-le-lu - ia. Al-le-lu - ia.' There are first and second endings marked with '1.' and '2.'.

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Invocation Rev. Etienne Roulet, Mgr Pierre Bürcher, Rev. Jean-Jacques Meylan, Mgr Makarios

It is the God of all grace who welcomes us
Tender and merciful Father;
Son, gift of his love, our Saviour and brother;
Holy Spirit, creative presence and force of life.

One God whom we praise and adore

Now, each day and until the end of time. Amen

God our Father, you desire that the lives of your children
witness to the truth and that with confidence they seek
Unity in the peace of Christ.

Father, let us respond to your call.

Jesus Christ, shepherd who gave his life,
Vine who feeds the climbing branches,
Cornerstone of the church
Make us one with you, as you are one in the Father.

Christ be among us.

King of heaven, Comforter, Spirit of Truth,
 Present in all places, filling all things;
 Treasure of treasures and Creator of life
 Come dwell within us
 Cleanse us from all evil
 And in your graciousness, save our souls.
Come, Holy Spirit.


Hymn:

Bénissons Dieu

Joachim Neander


Lobe den Herren, Stralsund 1665
 Erneuten Gesangbuch

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1. Bé - nis - sons Dieu, no - tre roi, le puis - sant roi de gloi - re! de ses bien -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign - ing and, as on
 3. Bé - nis - sons Dieu, no - tre roi! Cé - lé - brons ses lou - an - ges. Car il de -

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faits in - ces - sants, cé - lé - brons la mé - moi - re! Et qu'en tous
 wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing sus - tain - ing. Have you not
 6 meure à ja - mais quand tout passe et tout chan - ge. Il nous en -



lieux, sur la terre et dans les cieux, mon - tent nos chants de vic - toi - re!
 seen all that is need - ful has been sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 tend: a - dres - sons lui no - tre chant, u - nis aux chœurs de ses an - ges!

G: Joachim Neander, E: Catherine Winkworth, F: D'ap. J. Vincent

Welcome: (*all sit*) from Rev. Daniel Schmutz, president, Synodal Council
 of the Protestant Reformed Church of Vaud

Presentation of the theme: Rev. Martin Hoegger

The cover of this booklet bears a stylised portrait of Christ in glory. A
 work renowned throughout Europe, it is to be found at the entrance
 of the cathedral of Lausanne. Christ lives " with us always, to the

end of the age", also "Christ's agile feet journey to the human heart along many and diverse paths". [*Rt Rev. Charles H. Brent, D.D., opening sermon, Lausanne, 1927*]

His outstretched hands are a sign of welcome but also a reminder of the cross, which revealed God's unfathomable love for us. In the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus carries us along with him in a new life of faith and dedication in the service of his father and ours. He calls us to open up to him the doors of our hearts, today, tomorrow and until we receive the crown of life and full communion with him.

But Jesus is not alone: in the glory of the Father and the Holy Spirit, he is surrounded by a multitude. We also are called to consider ourselves beloved sisters and brothers in Christ.

During this celebration we wish to make plain the real communion which already unites us and to ask of him that full communion between our churches, which he desires. May his desire for unity, made in heaven, soon become a reality on earth.

"I am with you always until the end of the age". Since he spoke these powerful words have we kept faith in his promise, have we been at his side? We will start by recognizing the barriers we raise against his grace. Then we will evoke some events in the history of this cathedral: its stones also speak to us of Jesus Christ over the centuries.

With the preaching of the word we return to the source: to the gospel, which calls us to the faith and to live out our common baptism. It is this sanctifying oil which penetrates us, strengthening our lives and our churches, thus renewing our world.

Finally we recommit ourselves on a local and worldwide level to walk with Christ and to carry the gospel together, "the gift of a new world from God to this old world of sin and death" [*The Church's Message to the World: the Gospel, Lausanne 1927*]

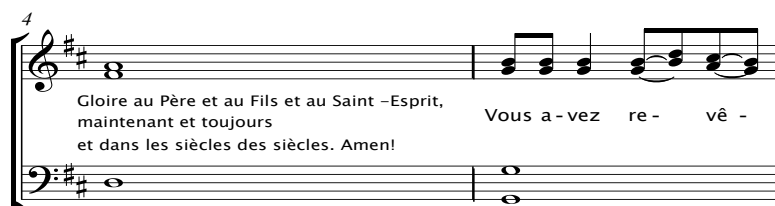
Entrance of the Bible (*all stand*)

Hymn:

Vous tous qui avez été baptisés

D'ap. Gal. 3:27

Mélodie roumaine



Prayer of Repentance and Pardon (*all sit*) (Ms Marie Bornand, Sister Modesta, Deacon Brigitte Zilocchi, Fr Diaconu)

"Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am in the midst of them" says Jesus. This evening, Christ is among us, he brings us together and he unites us. In his presence, in our hearts and most sincerely, we ask pardon for our personal failures and those of our churches and communities.

Lord Jesus, who tells us "I am with you always until the end of the age", in your presence we ask ourselves, have we always been there with you? You prayed in the garden of Gethsemane and we fell asleep, you were captured and we fled. Few of us watched and prayed at the foot of your cross... Lord, have mercy upon us!

Lord, have mercy upon us!

Lord, you were a friend to Lazarus fatally stricken by illness; and you brought him back to life. You greeted the sinful woman. Have we been friends to the sick, the poor, the forgotten, the despised of this world? Have we helped them back to life?... Lord, have mercy upon us!

Lord, have mercy upon us!

Lord, you washed the feet of your disciples, you broke bread with your friends, even with Judas: have we been ready to serve our neighbour, to share bread with all our sisters and brothers? ... Lord, have mercy upon us!

Lord, have mercy upon us!

Lord, who commanded Peter to put away his sword at the very moment you were arrested: have we been able to control our own violence, chosen the way of negotiation rather than arms? Have we worked to put an end to division between the churches; have we been able to help the peoples of the world avoid conflicts?... Lord, have mercy upon us!

Lord, have mercy upon us!

At the last supper, you said to your disciples: "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another". Have we loved one other, united in the love of Christ, the fruits of which become visible within the church and in the world? ...Lord, have mercy upon us! ***Lord, have mercy upon us!***

(all stand)

Seigneur, rassemble-nous

Dominique Ombrie

1 Refrain Fine



Sei- gneur, ras- sem- ble nous dans la paix de ton a - mour.

6 U - nite us, Lord, in peace and up- hold us with your love.



1. Nos fau- tes nous sé - pa- rent, ta grâ - ce nous u- nit; la
 2. Tu es notre es - pé - ran - ce par - mi nos di - vi - sions; plus

1. Our faults di- vide and hin- der; your grace can make us one; we
 2. You are our ex- pec- ta - tion in lone - li - ness and pain; your

11 D. C.



joie de ta vic - toi - re é - clai - re no- tre nuit.
 haut que nos of - fen - ses s'é - lè - ve ton par - don.

won - der at your ris - ing, your light is like the sun.
 heal - ing and your par - don are great - er than our sin.

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Christ Jesus who died and rose again for us
 And who listens to our feeble voices.
 Let us follow you on the way
 Which through the humility of your cross, leads towards our
 neighbour, towards life, towards the Father.
 Cleanse us by your pardon, wash us in your Spirit, embrace us in
 your mercy.
 Unite us without pretence, hypocrisy, self-interest.
 Make us artisans of unity and peace that the world may see that you
 are with us always. Amen

Musical interlude (organ)

"With you always": The cathedral remembers

Welcome, pilgrims on the way to unity here, and throughout the world.

I, your cathedral have awaited you for more than 700 years.

Does the beauty and harmony of my interior move you?

My builders desired to render witness to God,

who created the universe with its dimensions, weight and numbers.

There were two other buildings before me, from the 8th century on.

Consecrated to Mary, the mother of Jesus, our God and Saviour.

Threatened twice by fire and even demolition I am still there,

witnessing day by day to the faithfulness of the Almighty.

That place in which my Lord came to dwell also sings:

"His love extends from age to age upon those who fear him"

Gregorian chant, (in Latin)

Antiphon: Ubi caritas et amor, ibi Deus est.

Where there is charity and love, God is present.

It is the love of Christ who has brought us together. Let us rejoice and find joy in him. Let us adore and love the living God and love each other with sincere heart.

United together may we not break the union of our hearts. May dissension be far from us

May we see your face in glory, Christ the Lord, that will be our immense and most pure joy. For ever and ever, Amen.

Magnificat (Song of Mary) : Lk 1: 46-55

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord,

and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely,

from now on all generations will call me blessed;

for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.

He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

May I remind you of some of the events that have taken place within my walls?

My dedication in 1275 when pope and emperor came together -

It was a splendid ceremony; I was the centre of Europe!

Did you know that the anti-pope Felix V laid down his tiara in this very place, thus putting an end to the schism of the occidental church in 1449?

Do I have a vocation to unity, I ask myself?

A window depicting John Calvin and Pierre Viret, local reformer, commemorates the Reformation in 1536. Since then I have loved to listen to the psalms of David sung by all.

Do you see the impressive pulpit built by the Bern regime? It is a sign of the importance of the *word* in the Protestant church.

Lausanne Psalm (146)

Psaume 146

Lausanne 1565

1. Ô mon â - me, sans re - lâ - che
Notre es - poir en vain s'at - ta - che

2. 3. Bien - heu - reux qui se re - po - se
de tou - tes cho - ses

1. loue et chan - te l'E - ter - nel!
aux grands, com - me nous mor - tels.

3. dans la foi en l'E - ter - nel,
sur la terre et dans le ciel,

1. Sei - gneur, tant que je vi - vrai.
3. Dieu qui, pour l'E - ter - ni - té

1. C'est toi que je bé - ni - rai!
3. garde aux siens fi - dé - li - té.

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Opposite the western entrance you will see the old French seminary. It trained 400 pastors for the Reformed churches of France, of whom many died for their faith in the troubled 18th century.

From its founder, Pastor Antoine Curt I heard these words:

"Allow me to exhort you, in the name of God

To love and tolerate each other, to do unto each other only that which you would wish to be done to yourselves, as the Lord urges you in his word. Forgive each other, put out of your minds the offences which you believe to have been committed against you, as you wish God to forgive you and to cancel your sins however grave or great."

Lausanne Psalm (*continued, verses 4 and 5*)

4. Dans l'amour et la justice/ Il fait droit aux opprimés.
Il soutient ceux qui faiblissent,/ Il nourrit les affamés.
Il relève les chétifs/ Et délivre les captifs.
5. Il vient rendre à la lumière/ Les yeux trop longtemps fermés.
Il se montre comme un père,/ Il protège l'étranger,
Et de même étend la main/ Sur la veuve et l'orphelin.

On the 3 August 1927 I saw the delegates of a hundred or so churches come from around the whole world in response to a "clear call from God".

For the first time, the Orthodox and the Protestants would meet.
Faith and Order was born!

Its president, the Anglican bishop Charles Brent proclaimed the desire of Jesus to bring together separated sisters and brothers:
"That they may all be one, that the word may believe that you have sent me". The conference's call to unity uplifted me in hope:

"God wills unity. Our presence in this Conference bears testimony to our desire to bend our wills to His. However we may justify the beginnings of disunion, we lament its continuance and henceforth must labour, in penitence and faith, to build up our broken walls."

The vessel of Faith and Order was launched on the waterways of the Spirit. Edinburgh (1937), Lund (1952) Montreal (1963), Santiago de Compostela (1993) saw the other world conferences. Who could stop it?

As for me, just a little source of hope, I am joyful when Christ deigns to use me to call Christians to prayer.

My walls still vibrate from the last celebrations when all the churches of this canton praised the name of the Eternal.

Song:

Je loue ton nom Eternel

Traduction LTC

Rick Founds



Je loue ton nom, E - ter - nel; Sei- gneur, je cé- lè- bre
Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your
ta bon- té. Quel- le joie, tu vis_ en moi!
7 prai - ses. I'm so glad you're in_ my life;
9 Quel- le joie, tu viens_ pour nous sau- ver.
I'm so glad you came_ to save_ us.
12 Tu viens du ciel sur la terre_ mon- trer la voie, de la terre_ à la croix
You came from hea- ven to earth_ to show the way, from the earth_ to the cross
_ pay- er pour moi, de la croix jus qu'au tom - beau et du tom- beau jus- qu'au ciel.
15 _ my debt to pay; from the cross to the grave_ from the grave to the sky
_ Je loue ton nom, E - ter- nel.
_ Lord, I lift your name_ on high.

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Listening to the word of God

Prayer for enlightenment: Rev. Mike Deville

1 Peter 2: 4-10: Ms Melody Suter

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame". To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner", and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall". you are a chosen race, a royal

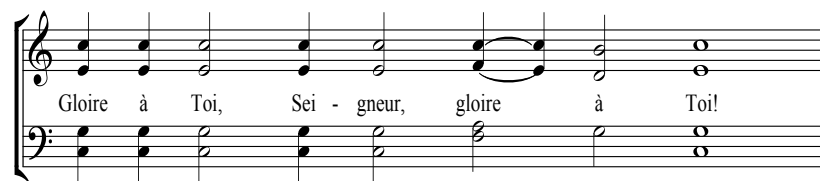
priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Musical interlude

Matthew 28: 16-20 (*all stand*) Deacon Noël Aebischer

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age".

Acclamation: (*Glory be to you, Lord*)



Matthew 28: 20 "I am with you always, to the end of the age".
(*Read in several languages*)

Sung: (*Glory be to you, Lord*)

Sermon: Archbishop Anastasios

Organ music

Walking together "to the end of the age"

As we share the peace : (*All stand to share the peace*)

Rev. Dr Konrad Raiser, general secretary, WCC

Before we confess our faith, let us exchange **a sign of peace**, in the presence of the Risen Christ

As we confess our faith - Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us all, and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.
On the third day he rose from the dead
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
Who, with the Father and Son, is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one, holy, catholic ♥ and apostolic Church.

We confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the age to come. **Amen.**

(♥ or universal)

Hymn: (All you who are baptised)

Peuple de baptisés

Recueil "Dimanche" P. Décha

5 Peu - ple de bap - ti - sés, mar - che vers ta lu - miè - re Le *Fine*
Christ est res - sus - ci - té! Al - lé - lu - ia, al - lé - lu - ia!
9 1. Ap - pro - chons de la pierre i - né - bran - la - ble sur qui re - po - sent les pier - res vi - van - tes: Tous en -
2. Ren - dons gloire et lou - ange à no - tre Pè - re, a Jé - sus Christ, qui ra - chè - te les hom - mes. A l'Es -
14 *D.C.*
semble, ap - puy - és sur Jé - sus Christ, de - ve - nons bâ - tis - seurs de son É - gli - se.
prit qui de - meu - re dans nos coeurs, main - te - nant, pour tou - jours et dans les siè - cles.

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Praying for each other and for the world (*all sit*)

God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
God with us, yesterday, today and forever,
In our pilgrimage on the way to unity
Christ our peace walk beside us!
Open our eyes, open our hearts
To your presence among us.

We thank you for those who have gone before us,
Martyrs who have suffered for their faith,
And all your servants who live now and for ever
In the light of the risen Christ.

We pray for this cathedral and its witness through the centuries,
For the churches and faithful gathered here in your name,
For the World Council of Churches, its member churches
and its Commission on Faith and Order.

Gospodi pomilui



We thank you for our baptism into Christ
In whom we are one.
May it encourage us to witness together to your word
And to your presence today and tomorrow!

We pray for those who work
For the unity of your church
Here and through all the world
And who never cease to pray:
'Father, make us one'

Lord make us one in our faith, our witness and our work:
That our witness may be more convincing
That our service may be more effective;
That one day we may join you
As your one people, at your one table.

Gospodi pomilui

God of love and justice
God of mercy and hope:
We pray for those who know war,
Who lose house and home and all they love
While others grow rich selling arms.

We pray for those who suffer hunger
And see their children go hungry
In a world with food to spare.

We pray for those who are never given a chance
To do well in this life, whose very humanity is denied
Because of their colour or national identity or gender.

Gospodi pomilui

We pray for those who are discouraged and left behind by life
Who have no hope and nothing to hope for.

We pray for those who live in fear
Who suffer violence in their own homes
And know not where to turn.

We pray for those who live in the midst of plenty
Yet find no meaning to life.
We pray for those facing death
And for those who mourn.

Make us instruments of peace, agents of justice and reconciliation
And bearers of hope.
Father, make us one as you are one.

Gospodi pomilui

Our Father sung in Aramaic (*all stand*)

Our Father, each in his or her own language.

As we renew our promises to Christ (*introduced by the Rev. Dr David K. Yemba, moderator of Faith and Order and by Mgr Pierre Bürcher, auxiliary bishop of the diocese of Lausanne, Geneva and Fribourg*)

Promises

(*and renewal of promises made 23 January 2000 and 2 June 2001 in the cathedral of Lausanne.*)

On the 25th August in this year of grace 2002, celebrating the 75th anniversary of the first world conference on Faith and Order and affirming the work of the churches towards Christian unity, locally and worldwide:-

We, representatives in the Canton of Vaud of the authorities of
The Salvation Army
The Seventh-day Adventists
The Anglican Church
The Old Catholic Church
The Roman Catholic Church
The Lutheran Church
The Methodist Church
The Protestant (Reformed) Church of Vaud

The Orthodox Church
(Patriarchates of Constantinople, Moscow, Romania, Serbia)
The Coptic Orthodox Church
The Ethiopian Orthodox Church
The Federation of Pentecostal Free Churches
The Federation of Churches and Evangelical Organizations in the
Swiss Romande

And we, representatives of the World Council of Churches and its
member churches worldwide, and representatives of the
Commission on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches,

(all together, with the congregation)

We confess, according to the scriptures -

***There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the
one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one
God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.***
(Ephesians 4: 4-6)

**We know that our straying, our weakness, our unfaithfulness
and our narrow-mindedness has caused us to lose that unity of
the Spirit which is maintained by the bonds of peace.**

**Enlightened and strengthened by God's love for us in Jesus
Christ, we desire full reconciliation with the Lord and with our
sisters and brothers.**

**On this 75th anniversary of Faith and Order, we promise to
follow the leading of the Holy Spirit so that, in repentance and
humility, we may recognize the wealth of our diversity,
overcome our divisions and receive the gift of full communion
between our churches.**

**To the glory of God and the joy of his people, the diffusion of
the gospel and the service of all creation.**

Organ music

The giving and receiving of the commemorative stone
Introduction by the Rev. Shafique Keshavjee

A stone from the cathedral of Lausanne will now be given by the four families of churches present in the canton of Vaud (historic protestantism represented in the main by the Protestant/Reformed Church; the Roman Catholic Church, the Orthodox Church and the family of Evangelical and Pentecostal churches).

To carry a stone symbolises the engagement to bring together to the world the ministry of Christ. We need each other! May we cease to throw the hurtful stones responsible for the wounds of our divided past! May we always bear in mind that the rolled away stone of Christ's Easter, is forever the cornerstone of the church!

This stone at the foot of the communion table is also a visible reminder of the interrelation of the local church and the church universal; of our being bound together through baptism in Christ the cornerstone; of our calling to be living stones through faith, worship and discipleship and of our aspiration to partake together of the supper of our Lord, in whom we are one.

This stone is given by the authorities of the local churches to the presidents and leaders of the World Council of Churches and Faith and Order, as an encouragement to advance with love along this way...in the expectation of the revelation of the day when the last walls of division will fall.

Children's choir: "I am with you always" (Ms Hetty Overeem)
(*Refrain to be sung by all - see over*
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Je suis avec vous jusqu'à la fin du monde

Venez avec moi - voici mon plan :

Que la terre entière chante l'amour du Père...

Je serai à vos côtés jusqu'à la fin des temps !

Toujours ! Toujours ? Toujours !Toujours ? Toujours !

Jusqu'à la fin des temps !

Always! Immer! Siempre! Pergjithmonë ! Toujours !

(I am with you till the end of the world. Come with me, here is my plan, that the world may sing the Father's love...I will be beside you until the end of time. Always...)

Je suis avec vous

Hetty Overeem

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Refrain

Je suis a-vec vous jus-qu'à la fin du mon-de, ve-nez a-vec Moi voi-ci mon plan:

que la terre en-tiè-re chan-te l'a-mour du Père. Je se-rai à vos cô-tés jus-

qu'à la fin des temps! Tou-jours, tou-jours? Tou-jours, tou-jours! Tou-jours! jus-

qu'à la fin des temps! 1.Si tu as mal, si tu es tom-bé, pen-se_à Moi,

Je suis a-vec toi! Je vien-drai pour te re-le-ver

Je suis fort et Je te sou-tien-drai!

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Message from the Youth (see separate sheet)

Song

Eternité

Brian Doerksen

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Je se-rai à toi, tu se-ras à moi,
I will be yours you will be mine

en-sem-ble pour l'E-ter-ni-té. Nos coeurs u-nis
to-ge-ther in e-ter-ni-ty. Our hearts of

d'un même a-mour, en-sem-ble pour l'E-ter-ni-té,
will be en-twined to-ge-ther in e-ter-ni-ty.

ble pour l'E-ter-ni-té. pourtou-jours dans l'E-ter-ni-té.
ther in e-ter-ni-ty. for-e-ver in e-ter-ni-ty.

Plus ja-mais de larmes dans nos yeux,
No more tears of pain in our eyes

plus de peur, de honte quand nous serons a-vec
no more fear or shame for we will be with you

toi, ou nous se-rons a-vec toi.
yes, we will be with you.

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Thanks, announcements

African Choir

Dismissal and blessing: H. H. Aram I and leaders of the churches

(Responsive benediction between worship leader and congregation)

Stay with us always until the end of time, Christ Jesus.

Send down upon us your Spirit

- to pray within us that which we dare not pray
- to oblige us to go further than we oblige ourselves
- to restrain us when we are tempted to follow our own ways.

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ keep us in the faith

Amen

May God the Son pierce our hearts and minds with his light and let us live in the hope of salvation

Amen

May the Holy Spirit never cease to build the church and fill us with love for our sisters and brothers.

Amen

May the Almighty God bless you and keep you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Amen

Retiring procession *(during singing by African choir)*

The congregation leaves the church, retiring collection.

Collection in favour of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Faith and Order) and the churches' fund in aid of the families of asylum seekers in the Canton of Vaud;

Thank you for your generosity!

We wish to thank those who have prepared and realised this celebration:

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In addition to all the worship leaders and readers, delegates of churches in Switzerland and throughout the world...and above all, the Lord!

Afterwards...

This celebration was prepared by an ecumenical group of the churches and Christian communities in the Canton of Vaud, in collaboration with Faith and Order. It comes in the wake of the celebrations held in Lausanne cathedral these past two years. We are grateful to the authorities of our churches and communities and to the many faithful for their support, prayers and encouragement. If you wish to express your appreciation, please contact:

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At the end of this new celebration, when the daily life of each of our churches risks absorbing most of our energy, we would encourage you to pray for each other and to weave bonds of friendship. May the Spirit of Christ continue its work in each of us and between our churches and communities so that the beauty of his work of reconciliation may become ever more visible.

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