



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR  
ABBOT TIMOTHY WRIGHT OSB  
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*Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
A hymn, O God, becometh Thee in Zion, and a vow shall be paid to Thee in Jerusalem;*

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**R** Equi-em \* aetér- nam dó-na é- is Dómi-  
ne : et lux perpé-tu- a lú-ce- at é- is.  
*Ps.* Te dé-cet hýmnus Dé-us in Sí-on, et tí-bi reddétur  
vótum in Jerúsa-lem : \* exáudi ora-ti-ónem mé-am, ad  
te ómnis cáro véni-et. Réqui-em.  
*Repetitur Réquiem. usque ad Psalmum.*

### **I Corinthians 15:51-55**

Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: 'Death has been swallowed up in victory.' 'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?'

### **The Noble Qur'an**

In the name of God, the Merciful, the Compassionate  
And it is not [possible] for one to die except by permission of Allah at a decree determined. And whoever desires the reward of this world - We will give him thereof; and whoever desires the reward of the Hereafter - We will give him thereof. And we will reward the grateful. (3:145)

The earthly remains of Abbot Timothy lie in this hallowed ground, but we believe he is at rest in the presence of the Lord Jesus, who said to the dying man on a cross “Today you shall be with me in paradise.”

Gathered here at his grave, we recall his words: “Both Christians and Muslims receive the gift of the Divine Word revealed, historically at particular moments and preserved as their respective sources of revelation. These are echoes one with the other; there are techniques each can use to gain deeper understanding of and inspiration from both these revelations of the Divine Word. In an encouraging atmosphere, this dialogue will strengthen friendship, provide ever deeper insights of one to the other, and promote great mutual trust. It can surely be done.” *No Peace without Prayer*, p. 119

## **REMEMBERING ABBOT TIMOTHY . . .**

### **PRAYER**

Merciful and compassionate God, we thank You for Your precious, eternal, and unchanging Word. We offer you praise and thanksgiving, You who are the Infuser of Life, the Rock of Ages, the Originator and the Restorer.

In the midst of our natural sorrow, we thank You for Your supernatural comfort and grace.

In the face of death, we thank You for Your gift of eternal life.

In the face of separation, we thank You for the eternal reunion we so eagerly anticipate.

We thank You for Abbot Timothy’s life here on this earth, and we pray that he will find mercy and forgiveness for whatever sins he may have committed during his time on earth, and that he may rejoice, even now, in Your very presence, enjoying the blessings of Heaven.

We anticipate the day when spirit and body shall be united again at the coming of the Lord, and we find great comfort in knowing that we shall forever be together with the Lord.

We thank You and we pray that in the months and years to come, Abbot Timothy’s untiring efforts to promote greater understanding and respect between Muslims and Christians may continue to inspire us in our work for the unity You so ardently desire.

To You be all glory, honor, and praise, now and for ages to come.

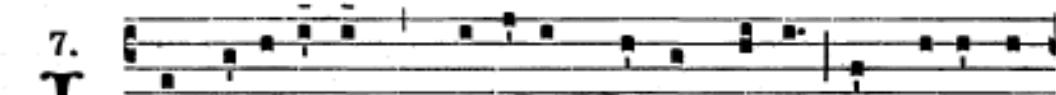
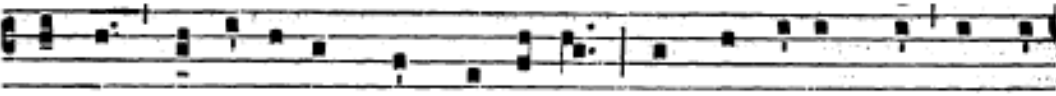
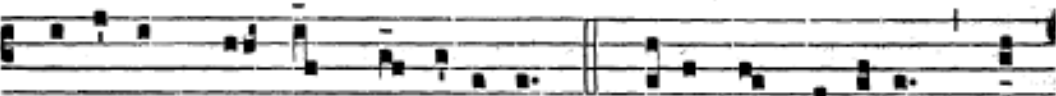

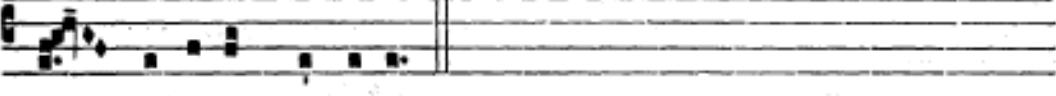
**Amen.**

*We now pray in the words that Jesus taught us:*

Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come;  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in  
heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass  
against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory,  
Forever and ever. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.  
—**And let perpetual light shine upon him.**  
May he and all he faithful departed rest in peace.  
—**Amen.**

7.  **I** N paradí-sum : dedúcant te Ange-li : in tú-o ad-  
 véntu suscí-pi- ant te Márt-y-res, et perdúcant te in ci-  
 vi-tá-tem sánctam Je-rúsa-lem. Chórus Ange-lórum te  
 su- scí-pi- at, et cum Lázaro quondam páupe-re aetér-  
 nam hábe-as réqui-em.

*May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs receive you at your arrival and lead you to the holy city Jerusalem. May choirs of angels receive you and with Lazarus, who once was poor, may you have eternal rest.*