

SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION

TO GIVE THANKS FOR THE LIFE OF

HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II



WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL, 6.00PM, SATURDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Service of Commemoration to give thanks for the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

THE SENTENCES

Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

John 11.25,26

I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8.38,39

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Stand as the procession enters. All sing

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same for ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.

Praise him! Praise him!

Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

Praise him! Praise him!

Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon bow down before him; dwellers all in time and space.

Praise him! Praise him!

Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793–1847)

Tune: Praise, my soul 436 NEH

Music: John Goss (1800–80)

In the name of Christ, who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father, grace, mercy and peace be with you.

The Very Reverend Catherine Ogle, Dean of Winchester, introduces the service and says

We meet this day to remember before God our late Sovereign Lady QUEEN ELIZABETH, to renew our trust and confidence in Christ, and to pray that together we may be one in him, through whom we offer our prayers and praises to the Father.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, lover of souls: you uphold us in life and sustain us in death: to you be glory and praise for ever! For the darkness of this age is passing away as Christ the bright and morning star brings to his saints the light of life. As you give light to those in darkness, who walk in the shadow of death, so remember in your kingdom your faithful servant, ELIZABETH, that death may be for her the gate to life and to unending fellowship with you; where with your saints you live and reign, one in the perfect union of love, now and for ever. Amen.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. **Amen.**

Sit as the Choir sings the psalmody

THE PSALMODY

The Lord is my shepherd:
therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture:
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul:
me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Na

and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me:
thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Stand

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Music: Sir Henry Walford Davies (1869–1941)

THE LESSON Revelation 21.1–7

Read by Daphne Babbage, 1st Southampton North Ranger Unit, Girlguiding Hampshire West

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

A TRIBUTE

Nigel Atkinson Esq. HM Lord-Lieutenant of Hampshire

THE ANTHEM

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and the torment of malice shall not touch them:

They seem in the eyes of the foolish to be dead, but they are at peace.

Text: Wisdom 3.1,2 Music: Geraint Lewis (b.1958)

Stand for the preacher's opening prayer

THE HOMILY

The Very Reverend Catherine Ogle, Dean of Winchester

THE PRAYERS

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, And there shall no torment touch them.

You, Lord, have delivered my soul from death, My eyes from tears and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord In the land of the living.

Merciful Father and Lord of all life, we praise you that we are made in your image and reflect your truth and light. We thank you for the life of our late Sovereign Lady QUEEN ELIZABETH, for the love she received from you and showed among us. Above all, we rejoice at your gracious promise to all your servants, living and departed, that we shall rise again at the coming of Christ. And we ask that in due time we may share with your servant Elizabeth that clearer vision promised to us in the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with your servant QUEEN ELIZABETH and all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection: that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of all comfort: deal graciously, we pray, with all who mourn, the members of the Royal Family, this Nation and all the Nations of the Commonwealth, that casting all our care on you, we may know the consolation of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMENDATION

Into your hands, O Father and Lord, we commend your servant, our late Sovereign Lady QUEEN ELIZABETH. Enlighten her with your holy grace and suffer her never to be separated from you, O Lord in Trinity, God everlasting. **Amen.**

NUNC DIMITTIS

Commemorative wreaths are laid by representatives of other faith communities, as the Choir sings

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son;

and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;

world without end. Amen.

Music: George Dyson (1883-1964) in D

THE FINAL HYMN

All sing

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
come ye who hear,
brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:

hast thou not seen
all that is needful hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; ponder anew all the Almighty can do, he who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are raging
Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,
Biddeth them cease,
Turneth their fury to peace,
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! all that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!

Let the Amen sound from his people again: gladly for ay we adore him.

Joachim Neander (1650–80) translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827–78) and Rupert Davies (1909–94) Lobe den Herren 440 NEH Praxis pietatis melica 1668

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

All sing

God save our gracious King
Long live our noble King
God save the King
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign.
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the King.

CONCLUDING PRAYER AND BLESSING

The Right Reverend Debbie Sellin, Acting Bishop of Winchester, says

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lord KING CHARLES III, and all who are in authority under him; that they may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour of your name, and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church, living and departed, to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



Bring us, O Lord God, at our last awakening into the house and gate of heaven, to enter into that gate and dwell in that house, where there shall be no darkness nor dazzling, but one equal light; no noise nor silence, but one equal music; no fears nor hopes, but one equal possession; no ends nor beginnings, but one equal eternity; in the habitations of thy glory and dominion, world without end.

Amen.