



Queen Elizabeth II
1926 - 2022

A Service of Holy Communion during the period of National Mourning

Welcome to our worship this morning. As we gather this week we continue to mourn the death of our Queen, Elizabeth. We do so mindful of her faith and willingness to serve God and her people. We come trusting in God, giving thanks for the life of the Queen and to pray for King Charles III and all of the Royal Family. We come to worship our Lord and to be reminded afresh of His promise of everlasting life.

***We stand as the bell sounds** to mark the beginning of our worship. As we sing our first hymn the altar party process into church.*

HYMN

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided,
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us,
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land, in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world, when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain;
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him,
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us,
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne;
past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b.1926)

REETING

We remain standing as the minister greets the people:

‘I am the resurrection and the life’, says the Lord. ‘Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.’

We meet in the name of Jesus Christ,
who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father. Grace and mercy
be with you.

All **And also with you**

Words of welcome may be said, Ending with the following prayer:

Almighty God,
you judge us with infinite mercy and justice and love everything you
have made.

In your mercy
turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life,
and the sorrow of parting into the joy of heaven;
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

CONFESSION

The minister introduces our time of confession with the following words:

God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us.

As we acknowledge our human frailty, we call to mind our sins of word, deed and omission, and confess them before God our Father.

Silence is kept.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the broke in heart:
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

May God our Father forgive you your sins
and bring you to the eternal joy of his kingdom,
where dust and ashes have no dominion.

All Amen.

THE COLLECT

The minister introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'. The following prayer is said.

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; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

All **Amen.**

FIRST READING - The Book of the Prophet Isaiah 61.1-3

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion— to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may be kept.

PSALM 27

- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes,
came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though a host encamp against me, my heart shall not be afraid,
and though there rise up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
- 4 One thing have I asked of the Lord and that alone I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
- 5 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord
and to seek his will in his temple.
- 6 For in the day of trouble he shall hide me in his shelter;
in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me and set me high upon a rock.

- 7 And now shall he lift up my head
above my enemies round about me;
- 8 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness;
I will sing and make music to the Lord.
- 9 Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call;
have mercy upon me and answer me.
- 10 My heart tells of your word, 'Seek my face.'
Your face, Lord, will I seek.
- 11 Hide not your face from me,
nor cast your servant away in displeasure.
- 12 You have been my helper;
leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 13 Though my father and my mother forsake me,
the Lord will take me up.
- 14 Teach me your way, O Lord; lead me on a level path,
because of those who lie in wait for me.
- 15 Deliver me not into the will of my adversaries,
for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and those who breathe out violence.
- 16 I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living.
- 17 Wait for the Lord; be strong and he shall comfort your heart;
wait patiently for the Lord.

SECOND READING - The Book of Revelation 21.1-7

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.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

CHOIR ANTHEM

GOSPEL READING Alleluia, alleluia.

'It is the will of him who sent me', says the Lord,
'that I should lose none of all that he has given me,
but raise them up on the last day'.

All Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (14.1-6)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In the power of the Spirit
and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

This response may be included:

Lord, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,
**All accept these prayers
 for the sake of your Son,
 our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Silence is kept.

PEACE

Jesus says:

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives do I give you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

Now thank we all our God
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
to keep us in his grace,

and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
of this world in the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns
with him in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

Martin Rinkart (1586-1649)

Translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

TABLE PRAYER

May all who are called to a place at your table
follow in the way that leads to the unending feast of life.

All **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Minister The Lord be with you,
All **and also with you.**

Minister Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Minister Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right
it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give you thanks
because through him
you have given us the hope of a glorious resurrection;
so that, although death comes to us all,
yet we rejoice in the promise of eternal life;
for to your faithful people life is changed,

not taken away; and when our mortal flesh is laid aside
an everlasting dwelling place is made ready for us in heaven.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Silence may be kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All 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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

All Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

All **Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion. If you receive communion in your own church you are welcome to receive it here. Alternatively, please do come forward to receive a blessing, bringing your service sheet with you to indicate this is your wish.

COMMUNION HYMNS

I am the bread of life.
He who comes to me shall not hunger;
he who believes in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father draw him.

*Refrain: And I will raise him up,
and I will raise him up,
and I will raise him up on the last day.*

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and he who eats of this bread,
he shall live for ever,
he shall live for ever.

Refrain

I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
He who believes in me
even if he die,
he shall live for ever.

Refrain

Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come
into the world.

1966 Suzanne Toolan (b.1927)

Just as I am, without one plea
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thin, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O lamb of God, I come.

Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of Love, may the death and resurrection of Christ, which we have celebrated in this eucharist, bring us, with all the faithful departed, into the peace of your eternal home. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our rock and our salvation, to whom be glory for time and for eternity.

Amen.

All **Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

NOTICES

HYMN

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence thy healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs and praises, songs and praises
I will ever sing to you,
I will ever sing to you.

William Williams (1717-1791)
Translated by Peter Williams (1727-1796)

BLESSING

God grant to the living, grace;
to the departed, rest;
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth,
and all humankind, peace and concord;
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The people and ministers depart.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them Richard H, Kay G, Jonathan, Ron W, Kath T, June M, Jenny A, Andrew E.

The housebound and those in residential homes: Shirley C, Diana B.

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please obtain the consent of the person you wish us to pray for. Then tell Pat Thomas whom to pray for and the reason why.

REMEMBER THE DEPARTED

Those who have died recently: Jeffery Clarke and Jenny Penn

Those whose anniversaries fell on this past week: John Jakeman, Dinah Holder, Michael Pettitt, Colin Tuplin, James Ward, Robert Stapleton, Pam Smith, Winifred Leedham, Eileen Baldock, Donna Warner, Robert Orton, Terence Eugene Waite, Grace Herod, Richard Wigglesworth, Lillian Florence Fuller, June Lock, Ellen Cornwell, Joan Gwendoline Chapman, Robert Newcombe, Gladys Winifred Fairbain

NOTICES

This evening at 6pm, All Hallows, Civic Service for Wellingborough in Commoration and Thanksgiving for the life of Queen Elizabeth II will be held. This service is open to all.

Confirmation preparation will be postponed until after the Queen's funeral.

The Funeral Service of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be televised at All Saints Church from 10.30am on Monday 19th September - all are welcome, do spread the word. Light refreshments will be served.

DIARY

Mon 19 Sept

10.30-13.30	All Saints Church	The Queen's Funeral televised in church
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Tues 20 Sept

8:30-9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop

Wed 21 Sept

9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30-12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
12:15-13:00	All Hallows	Midweek Eucharist
14:00-15:00	All Hallows	MU Wave of Prayer Service
19:00-20:00	All Saints	AS choir practice

Thurs 22 Sept

8:30-9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00-10:30	All Saints	Holy Communion

Fri 23 Sept

Ninian

9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
11.30am	All Hallows	Funeral for Mr Jeffery Clark RIP
19:00-20:30	All Hallows	AH choir practice

Sat 24 Sept

9:30-12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30-12:30	All Hallows	open to the public

Sun 25 Sept

Trinity 14

9:15-10:30	All Saints	Eucharist
11:15-12:30	All Hallows	Eucharist (with Baptisms)
18:00-19:00	Zoom	Compline

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