

Please stand for the National Anthem

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

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

Not on this land alone,
But be God's mercies known
On every shore.
Lord, make the nations see
That all humanity
Should form one family
The wide world o'er.

Verses 1 & 2: unknown (17th or 18th century),
verse 3: William E Hickson (1803-1870) alt.

PLATINUM JUBILEE **70**
Celebration of Faith & Service



**SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING
FOR QUEEN ELIZABETH II
SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2022, 6PM**

Greeting

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving power among the nations.

We gather together to worship God
and in thanksgiving for the seventy years of faithful service
of our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth.
We give thanks for her example of faithfulness
to God and to her people,
and pray God's blessing on her
that she may continue to fulfil the promises she has made
with generosity and joy.

Prayer of thanksgiving

God our Father, we thank you
for the long reign and faithful service of our beloved Queen Elizabeth.
Thank you that she has willingly accepted the burdens of monarchy, and
borne them for 70 years without failing.
Thank you for her sense of duty,
and for her willingness to put others before herself;
for her ability to say the right word at the right time and to reach out in
forgiveness and reconciliation, making enemies into friends.
Thank you for her quiet wisdom;
the love she has shared with her family; her grace under pressure;
for all she has meant to this nation, and to other nations too.
Bless her, we pray, with the knowledge
that she has been a good and faithful servant to her country
and most of all, a good and faithful servant to you.
Amen.

Act of Dedication

As we give thanks for Her Majesty's service to us all,
let us dedicate our own lives once again to the love and
service of God and neighbour:

**Lord of our lives and Father of all,
grant that our thanksgiving
may prove itself in service
to you and to our Queen,
our country and one another,
for your Name's sake.
Amen.**

The Blessing

God grant to the living, grace;
to the departed, rest;
to the Church, the Queen, 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.
Amen.

Prayer For Our Nation

Prayers using this response

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Prayers end with

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

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Anthem

*In Our Service by Thomas Hewitt Jones
(Sung by the St Michael's Church Choir)*

Hymn

**All people that on earth do dwell
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with fear, his praise forthtell,
come ye before him and rejoice!**

**The Lord, ye know, is God indeed
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.**

**O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.**

**For why? the Lord our God is good:
his mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood
and shall from age to age endure.**

**To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heav'n and earth adore,
from us and from the angel-host
be praise and glory evermore.**

Collect

Gracious God, we give you thanks
for the reign of your servant Elizabeth our Queen,
and for the example of loving and faithful service
which she has shown among us.

Help us to follow her example of dedication
and to commit our lives to you and to one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Reading

Luke 10.25–37

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

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 you,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.**

**Lord for ourselves; in living pow'r 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.**