

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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We say together

God of love,
We thank you for the life of The Queen,
for her service to our nation,
and for her faith in you.
Be close to all of us who mourn,
that we may we find comfort and hope in your love,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Everlasting God, we pray for our new King.
Bless his reign and the life of our nation.
Help us to work together
so that truth and justice, harmony and fairness
flourish among us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

We sing the National Anthem

Blessing

God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth, and all human-kind, 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.

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

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St Andrew's, Chesterton All-age Communion 18 September 2022 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Thanksgiving for the Life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II



¶ The Gathering

The Greeting

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.

Today we come together to remember before God her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, to give thanks for her life, and to comfort one another in our grief.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

We sing

- 1 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home;
- 2 Under the shadow of thy throne
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defence is sure.
- 3 Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.
- 4 A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.
- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

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We say sorry

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen.

We share our memories of The Queen

We give thanks for her life

Eternal God, our heavenly Father, we bless your holy name for all that you have given us in and through the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth.

All: We give you thanks:

**for her love of family and her gift of friendship;
for her devotion to this nation and the nations of
the Commonwealth;
for her grace, dignity and courtesy;
and for her generosity and love of life.**

We praise you for:

**the courage that she showed in testing times;
the depth and of her Christian faith;
and the witness she bore to it in word and deed.**

Accept our thanks and praise, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

Hear, O Lord, the prayers of your people, as we remember before you our late Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth: and grant that we who confess your name on earth may with her be made perfect in the kingdom of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

¶ We listen to God's Word

First Reading

2 Corinthians 4.16-5.4

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

During Communion we sing

- 1 Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here ;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear :
in him no sin is found —
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.
- 2 Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around ;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned :
how awesome is the sight —
our radiant King of light !
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
- 3 Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place :
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

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Prayer after Communion

Father in Heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ The Dismissal

Notices

We sing

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.
- 2 Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

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

We kneel and keep a moment's silence

The Lord's Prayer

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
as our Saviour taught us so we pray

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.



Breaking of the Bread

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

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God,
Jesus, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God,
Jesus, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

The president and people receive communion. Visitors who are communicant members of their home churches are welcome to receive the bread and wine at St Andrew's. If you have not been prepared for communion or would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please signify this by bringing your order of service with you.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling—if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

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

We sing

Give thanks with a grateful heart.
Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart.
Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong!'
Let the poor say, 'I am rich!'
because of what the Lord has done for us.
And now let the weak say, 'I am strong!'
Let the poor say, 'I am rich!'
because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks...

And now...

Give thanks.

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Gospel Reading—John 6: 35-40

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

We think about God's Word

The Creed

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

And at the end

**God of mercy, entrusting into your hands all that you
 have made and rejoicing in our communion with all your
 faithful people, we make our prayers through Jesus Christ
 our Saviour. Amen.**

The 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
and also with you.

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Offertory Hymn

- 1 Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,
 Lord, in your suffering world this is our prayer.
 Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,
 sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase !
- 2 Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills,
 work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills.
 Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak,
 voices to plead the cause of those who can't
 speak.

*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
 give us compassion, we pray :
 melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain.
 Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*
- 3 Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,
 cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share.
 Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green,
 Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.
- 4 Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams,
 plundered and poisoned : our future, our dreams.
 Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed ;
 make us content with the things that we need.

God of the poor...

- 5 Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame,
 until your justice burns brightly again ;
 until the nations learn of your ways,
 seek your salvation and bring you their praise.

God of the poor...

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With this bread that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body,
 wine for his blood,
 gifts from God to his table we bring.
We shall remember Jesus.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.
 Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
 in your love you made us for yourself.
 When we turned away you did not reject us,
 but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to
 sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him
 and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made
 for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends
 he took bread, and gave you thanks;
 he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
 do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
 his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
 he gave you thanks, and said:
 Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new cove-
 nant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
 do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
 his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
 send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
 may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
 make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
 we offer you this sacrifice of praise
 and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven: