

HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, 1921-2021

Service of Commemoration

Friday 16th April 2021, 6:00pm, Foulsham Holy Innocents

One or more of these SENTENCES may be used.

Minister: 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

We brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

1 Timothy 6:7, Job 1:21

The eternal God is your dwelling place, and underneath are the everlasting arms.

Deuteronomy 33:27

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

Christ has risen from the dead, by death he has trampled on death and to those in the graves he has given life.

Orthodox Easter Hymn

Hymn
(Choir only)

Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.

O Saviour, whose almighty word
the winds and waves submissive heard,
who walkedst on the foaming deep,
and calm, amid its rage, didst sleep:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.

O sacred Spirit, who didst brood
upon the waters dark and rude,
and bid their angry tumult cease,
and give, for wild confusion, peace:
O hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and pow'r,
our brethren shield in danger's hour.
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them whereso'er they go,
and ever let there rise to thee
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting; Music: John Bacchus Dykes

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

We meet this day to remember before God His Royal Highness PHILIP, Duke of
Edinburgh, 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.

Responses

Choir: O Lord, open thou our lips
and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Choir: 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 PHILIP, Duke of Edinburgh, that death may be for him 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.

Choir: **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.**

Praise ye the Lord.

Choir: **The Lord's name be praised.**

Psalmody

Psalm 121: I lift up my eyes to the hills

Lesson

Romans 8:28-39

Anthem

Lead me, Lord (Samuel Wesley)

Minister: Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir: **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.**

Minister: The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,

All: **And there shall no torment touch them.**

Minister: You, Lord, have delivered my soul from death,

All: **My eyes from tears and my feet from falling.**

Minister: I will walk before the Lord

All: **In the land of the living.**

PRAYERS may be offered from among the following

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 His Royal Highness PHILIP, Duke of Edinburgh, for the love he 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 Philip that clearer vision, promised to us in the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with your servant PHILIP, Duke of Edinburgh, 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.**

Hear, O Lord, the prayers of your people, as we remember before you His Royal Highness PHILIP, Duke of Edinburgh: and grant that we who confess your name on earth may with him be made perfect in the kingdom of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

O Lord God, when thou givest to thy servants to endeavour any great matter, grant us to know that it is not the beginning but the continuing of the same, until it be thoroughly finished, which yieldeth the true glory; through him who, for the finishing of thy work, laid down his life for us, even our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Based on the prayer of Sir Francis Drake (c. 1540–1596)

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.**

After John Donne (1571–1631)

Remember, O Lord, what thou hast wrought in us, and not what we deserve; and as thou hast called us to thy service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayer Book as proposed in 1928

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.**

Collect for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to meditate on you, and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

St Benedict (c. 480–543)

Commendation

Into your hands, O Father and Lord, we commend your servant, PHILIP, Duke of Edinburgh. Enlighten him with your holy grace and suffer him never to be separated from you, O Lord in Trinity, God everlasting.

After St Edmund of Abingdon (1170–1240)

Nunc dimittis

(Choir)

**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.**

Minister: Grant, Lord, that we may live in your fear, die in your favour, rest in your peace, rise in your power and reign in your glory; for your own beloved Son's sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

May God in his mercy grant us, with all the faithful departed, rest and peace.
Amen.

Hymn
(Choir)

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;

Beneath the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

Isaac Watts (1674–1748)

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.

The National Anthem

(Choir)

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.



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May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

