

Songs of Praise For The Queen's Platinum Jubilee



St Pancras' Church • Widecombe-in-the-Moor Sunday 5th June 2022

Welcome and Opening Prayer

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

Hymn 31 And did those feet in ancient time

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.

Hymn 380 O Lord, my God

Hymn 560 Will you come and follow me

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.**

Hymn 106 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Romans 13. 1-10

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgement. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing. Pay to all what is due to them-taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honour to whom honour is due. Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Hymn Onward Christian soldiers

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus going on before! Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe; Forward into battle, see his banner go!

> *Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus going on before!*

Like a mighty army moves the church of God; Brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod; We are not divided; all one body we, One in hope and doctrine, one in charity.

Onward, Christian soldiers,

Onward, then, ye people, join our happy throng, Blend with ours your voices in the triumph song; Glory, laud, and honour, unto Christ the King; This through countless ages men and angels sing.

Onward, Christian soldiers,

Matthew 22.16–22

So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Hymn 541 What a friend we have in Jesus

Hymn 484 The King of love my shepherd is

Prayers

O God, you provide for your people by your power, and rule over them in love: receive the gratitude which we offer this day for your servant Elizabeth our Queen. Send your blessing upon her work, that under her we may be wisely governed, and all people may serve you in faith, hope, and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** O God, bless all members of the Commonwealth of nations, bound together under one Queen. Help us always to take seriously our great responsibilities, and set before us an example of integrity and justice, faith, courage, duty, self-discipline, and fairness, that we may foster the peace and goodwill that gives you alone the glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

King of kings and Lord of lords, fill the hearts of all in authority with the love of your laws, and with all that is righteous and life-giving, that, together with them, we may be wise and worthy stewards of your gifts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn 172 God is working his purpose out

The 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:

All 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.

Hymn 467 Tell out my soul

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 us and remain with us always. **Amen.** All sing 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!



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