



**A Service of Remembrance  
for  
HRH Prince Philip,  
The Duke of Edinburgh**



**Thursday 15th April 2021  
4.30pm**



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## Welcome to the Cathedral

The Cathedral Church of St. Peter in Exeter, founded in 1050, has been the seat [*cathedra*] of the bishop of Exeter, the symbol of his spiritual and teaching authority, for nearly 1000 years. As such the Cathedral is a centre of worship and mission for the whole of Devon. A centuries-old pattern of daily worship continues, sustained by the best of the Anglican choral tradition. The cathedral is a place of outreach, learning, and spirituality, inviting people into a richer and more engaged discipleship. The Cathedral is a destination for many pilgrims and visitors who come from near and far, drawn by the physical and spiritual heritage of this place. Exeter Cathedral belongs to all the people of Devon, and we warmly welcome you whether in person or online.

### Music

The Cathedral Choir will lead singing on behalf of the congregation. The congregation is asked not to sing.

Director of Music: Timothy Noon  
Assistant Director of Music: Timothy Parsons

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## Order of Service

*The congregation stands at the entry of the ministers.*

### Introit

*The choir sings*

We wait for thy loving kindness, O God  
in the midst of thy temple. Alleluia!

O God, according to Thy name  
so is Thy praise unto the world's end  
thy right hand is full of righteousness. Alleluia!

We wait for thy loving kindness, O God  
in the midst of thy temple.  
O Lord, send us now prosperity. Amen.

*Words: Psalm 48.8-9  
Setting: Sir William McKie (1901-84)  
written for the marriage of HRH the Princess Elizabeth with  
Lt Philip Mountbatten RN, 20 November 1947*

### Welcome

The Very Reverend Jonathan Greener  
*Dean of Exeter Cathedral*

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.

**And also with you.**

Welcome to Exeter Cathedral for this Memorial Service. People have gathered from across Devon to give thanks for the life and work of His Royal Highness Philip, Duke of Edinburgh; to pray for Her Majesty The Queen, and for all the Royal Family in their mourning. We are really sorry that the number of people in the Cathedral is strictly limited at present, but we are pleased to welcome all of you who are joining us on-line, and hope that you too will be able to join in remembering and praying.

As today we meet to commend Prince Philip to God's care, and to renew our trust and confidence in Christ, we pray that together we may be one in him, through whom we offer our prayers and praises to the Father.

### **Opening Prayer**

*The Dean says*

Father in heaven,  
we thank you because you made us in your own image  
and gave us gifts in body, mind and spirit.  
We thank you now for your faithful servant Philip  
and for his service to our nation.  
As we honour his memory,  
make us more aware that you are the one  
from whom comes every perfect gift  
including the gift of eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **Hymn**

*The congregation sits. The choir sings*

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.  
He makes me down to lie  
in pastures green; he leadeth me  
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,  
and me to walk doth make  
within the paths of righteousness,  
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear no ill,  
for thou art with me and thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished  
in presence of my foes.  
My head thou dost with oil anoint,  
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life  
shall surely follow me,  
and in God's house for evermore  
my dwelling place shall be.

*Words: Francis Rous (1579-1659)*

*Music: Crimond, Jessie Seymour Irvine (1836-87)*

*The choir sits.*

### **Tribute**

Mr David Fursdon

*Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Devon*

### **First Reading**

Psalm 107.23-32

read by Lady Studholme,  
*High Sheriff of Devon*

A reading from Psalm 107:

They that go down to the sea in ships  
and occupy their business in great waters;  
These men see the works of the Lord  
and his wonders in the deep.  
For at his word the stormy wind ariseth  
which lifteth up the waves thereof.  
They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep  
their soul melteth away because of the trouble.  
They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man  
and are at their wit's end.  
So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble  
he delivereth them out of their distress.  
For he maketh the storm to cease  
so that the waves thereof are still.  
Then are they glad, because they are at rest  
and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.  
O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness  
and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!  
That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people  
and praise him in the seat of the elders!

*At the end*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 67**

*Deus misereatur*

*The congregation remains seated.*

*The choir stands and sings*

God be merciful unto us, and bless us:  
and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:

<sup>2</sup> That thy way may be known upon earth:

thy saving health among all nations.

<sup>3</sup> Let the people praise thee, O God:

yea, let all the people praise thee.

<sup>4</sup> O let the nations rejoice and be glad:

for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations  
upon earth.

<sup>5</sup> Let the people praise thee, O God:

let all the people praise thee.

<sup>6</sup> Then shall the earth bring forth her increase:

and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

<sup>7</sup> God shall bless us:

and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

*The congregation stands.*

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.

*Chant: Edward Bairstow (1847-1946)*

*as sung at the the marriage of HRH the Princess Elizabeth with*

*Lt Philip Mountbatten RN, 20 November 1947*

*The choir sits.*

## **Second Reading**

*Philippians 4.8-13*

read by Colonel Simon Chapman  
*Commandant of the Commando Training Centre,  
Lympstone*

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

I rejoice in the Lord greatly that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned for me, but had no opportunity to show it. Not that I am referring to being in need; for I have learned to be content with whatever I have. I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

*At the end*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme**

The Dean of Exeter interviews Megan Holt and Lucas Davis,  
*pupils of St Peter's School, Exeter*

## **Anthem**

*The choir stands and sings*

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,  
and the pain of death shall not touch them.

To the eyes of the foolish they seemed to perish,  
but they are at peace.

*Text: Wisdom 3.1,3*

*Music: Geraint Lewis (b.1958)*



## **Sermon**

The Rt Revd Robert Atwell  
*Bishop of Exeter*

## **Prayers**

led by The Revd Prebendary Nigel Guthrie  
*Vicar of St David's with St Michael and All Angels, Exeter,  
Chaplain to Her Majesty The Queen*

God of mercy, Lord of life,  
you have made us in your image to reflect your truth and your light:  
we give you thanks for Philip, Duke of Edinburgh,  
for the grace and mercy he received from you,  
for all that was good in his life.  
Especially we thank you for his marriage to Her Majesty The Queen,  
for being her strength and stay,  
and loving guide for all the Royal Family.

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Loving God,  
your mighty power brings joy out of grief and life out of death.  
We pray for Her Majesty The Queen,  
the Royal Family, this Nation,  
the Nations of the Commonwealth and all who mourn.  
Give them patient faith in times of darkness  
strengthen them with the knowledge of your love.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God our Father,  
we pray for all gathered in this place  
and across our county,  
that by your grace we may be inspired by the life  
of your servant Philip  
to dedicate ourselves to be more  
enterprising, imaginative, and self-disciplined,  
loving you and our neighbours as ourselves.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

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 prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**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**

*The choir stands and sings*

Eternal Father, strong to save,  
whose arm does bind the restless wave,  
who bids 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 walked upon the foaming deep,  
and calm amid the rage did sleep;  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who did 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,  
your children shield in danger's hour;  
from rock and tempest, fire, and foe,  
protect them where-so-e'er they go;  
thus, evermore shall rise to Thee  
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

*Text: William Whiting (1825-78)*  
*Tune: Melita, J.B. Dykes (1823-76)*

*The choir sits*

### **Prayer for Her Majesty's Navy**

led by Captain Roger Readwin RN  
*Captain, Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth*

O Eternal Lord God,  
who alone spreadest out the heavens,  
and rulest the raging of the sea;  
who hast compassed the waters with bounds  
until day and night come to an end:  
Be pleased to receive into thy Almighty  
and most gracious protection  
the persons of us thy servants,  
and the Fleet in which we serve.  
Preserve us from the dangers of the sea,  
and from the violence of the enemy;  
that we may be a safeguard unto our most gracious  
Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, and her Dominions,  
and a security for such as pass on the seas  
upon their lawful occasions;  
that the inhabitants of our Islands and Commonwealth  
may in peace and quietness serve thee our God;  
and that we may return in safety  
to enjoy the blessings of the land,  
with the fruits of our labours;  
and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies  
to praise and glorify thy holy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Commendation

*The congregation and choir stand. The Bishop says*

Into your hands, O Father and Lord,  
we commend your servant, Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.  
Enfold him in your care  
and suffer him never to be separated from you,  
O Lord in Trinity, God everlasting.

Neither death nor life  
can separate us from the love of God  
**in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

This is the will of him who sent me,  
that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me;  
**And I will raise them up at the last day.**

Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord.  
**And let light perpetual shine upon him.**

May he rest in peace  
**And rise in glory.**

Grant to us, Lord God,  
to trust you not for ourselves alone,  
but also for those whom we love  
and who are hidden from us by the shadow of death;  
that, as we believe your power  
to have raised our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead,  
so may we trust your love to give eternal life  
to all who believe in him;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## **Anthem**

*The congregation sits. The choir sings*

Bring us, O Lord God, at our last awakening  
into the house and gate of heav'n:  
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 habitation of thy glory and dominion,  
world without end.  
Amen.

*Words by John Donne (1572-1631)  
Music: Sir William Harris (1883-1973)*

## **Blessing**

*The congregation stands. The Bishop says*

Go forth into the world in peace.  
Be of good courage.  
Hold fast that which is good.  
Render to no one evil for evil.  
Strengthen the fainthearted.  
Support the weak.  
Help the afflicted.  
Honour all people,  
Love and serve the Lord,  
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;  
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**

*The congregation remains standing. The choir sings*

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!

## **Organ Voluntary**

Pièce d'orgue BWV572 -  
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*The congregation is invited to remain in place until instructed to leave.*

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