

SUNDAY 7 MAY 2023
St Peter's Church 10am
IN CELEBRATION OF THE
CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III

WELCOME *Words of welcome are given followed by:*

All The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
And with thy spirit.

All Alleluia. Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Dear friends,
we have come together in the name of Christ
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to seek forgiveness of our sins,
to hear and receive God's holy word,
and to pray for the needs of the world.

We also gather this day to pray for our King,
that, both now and always,
God may grant him wisdom and grace
for his ministry among us.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,
may we, with Charles our King,
give ourselves to the service of God and others,
that our communities may flourish
and be places of trust and friendship.

HYMN 560 Praise my soul the King of heaven

PRAYER *For children who leave for St Peter's Rocks*

CONFESSION

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world
and knows our every word and deed.
Let us then open ourselves to the Lord
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all
and your mercy is over all your creation:
Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name
and speak of the glory of your kingdom:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from
all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

COLLECT

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,
bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles,
and all who are in authority under him;
that they may order all things
in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace,

to the honour of your name,
and the good of your Church and people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PSALM 21:1-7

- ¹ The king rejoices in your strength, LORD.
How great is his joy in the victories you give!
- ² **You have granted him his heart's desire
and have not withheld the request of his lips.**
- ³ You came to greet him with rich blessings
and placed a crown of pure gold on his head.
- ⁴ **He asked you for life, and you gave it to him –
length of days, for ever and ever.**
- ⁵ Through the victories you gave, his glory is great;
you have bestowed on him splendour and majesty.
- ⁶ **Surely you have granted him unending blessings
and made him glad with the joy of your presence.**
- ⁷ For the king trusts in the LORD;
through the unfailing love of the Most High
he will not be shaken.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever.
Amen**

CORONATION REFLECTIONS

BIBLE READING 1 Kings 1:28-40 Pg 335

ANTHEM Zadok the Priest – George Frideric Handel
*Zadok the priest
and Nathan the prophet
anointed Solomon king.
And all the people rejoiced and said:
God save the King! Long live the King!
May the King live forever!
Alleluia! Amen!*

HYMN 1000 King of Kings Majesty

SERMON Rev Jonathan Thomas

HYMN 651 The Kingdom of God

PRAYERS *Led by Sue Harvey*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: We gather our prayers together with the traditional words of the Lord's Prayer. As our Saviour taught us so we pray:
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.

Please stand

I call upon all persons of goodwill present to make their homage, in heart and voice, to their undoubted King, defender of all.

All who so desire say together:

**All: I swear that I will pay true allegiance
to His Majesty King Charles III,
and to his heirs and successors according to law.
So help me God.**

HYMN 109 Crown Him with many crowns

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus,
for as you were sent by the Father, so you send us.
Equip Charles our King and all your people
with the gifts to fulfil our calling,
that we may love as you loved,
serve as you served,
and willingly follow wherever you lead.
Amen.

THE BLESSING

**All Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
Who has made heaven and earth.**

**All Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
Now and henceforth, world without end.**

God grant to the living grace,
to the departed rest,
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all
people, unity, peace and concord,
and to us and all God's 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.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious King
Long live our noble King
God save the King
Send him victorious
Happy and glorious
Long to reign over us
God save the King.

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

Please join us for refreshments in the Church Centre afterwards



