Lighting of the Candles Peace of the Lord be with you



And also with you

Welcome Words

We have gathered in the name of

God the Father,

the Son and the Holy Spirit to

worship together and think about

our value HOPE



HOPE

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you; plans to give you hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11



Do not lose heart nor fall into despair! You shall triumph if you are believers. The Holy Quran 3:139



HOPE is.....



Having faith in God Offering light to others Promise of a new start Expecting good things to happen HOPE





Queen Elizabeth 11 1926 – 2022



'Supreme Governor'

'Defender of the faith'

What do we know about the Queen?

What kind of person was she?

What words can we use to describe her?



What did the Queen do with the gifts that she was given to be a successful monarch?

Do you recognise any of the qualities in yourself?

Have you ever been given responsibility, asked to do something? How did you use these special qualities? How did you act towards others?



I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service ... God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it. I wonder... is it always easy to serve and think of others?

I wonder... what can we learn from the Queen's example in asking for God's help?



1 Peter 4:9



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards.'

'Above all, Love each other deeply'. 1 Peter 4:8



My mother gave an example of lifelong love and selfless service ...

... I shall stríve to follow the inspiring example set..'



What are your hopes for our Future King?

Reflecting



When we lose someone important to us, the most important thing is the love we had for them and the love they had for us. Queen Elizabeth was motivated in all she did by her love for God, her family and the people she served.



The greatest way we can honour her is to love and serve the people we encounter in our lives.

Prayer

Dear Lord, Thank you for the life of the Queen, for her love and service. Help us to use our gifts to love and serve too.

Amen





Challenge and Response Let all that we do be done in love

Think about your hopes for the future. What are your hopes for the new King, King Charles 111? What part will you play?

Use the hand to think about different ways the Queen served other people. Think about ways in which you can love and serve others .





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May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ And the love of God And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit Be with us all, evermore. Amen