

Girton College Chapel

Liturgy in memory of Giulio Regeni

Chaplain: The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you**

Chaplain: God of comfort and hope, five years on from Giulio's death, we come to you still in shock and grief and confusion of heart. Amongst the cruelty of this world, help us to find peace in the knowledge of your loving mercy to all your children; and give us light to guide us out of darkness into the assurance of love,

All: **Amen**

Readings from Scripture

Hear my cry, O God;
listen to my prayer.
From the end of the earth I call to you,
When my heart is faint.

Lead me to the rock
that is higher than I;
For you are my refuge,
a strong tower against the enemy

[Psalm 61:1-3]

Let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like a never failing stream.

[Amos 5:24]

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ...

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, not 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 8:37-39]

Lighting of a Candle

Chaplain: We light this candle in memory of Giulio, and shall do so each day at midday during this period of remembrance and mourning. In continued hope for justice and truth, we keep silence for two minutes before we pray together.

Silence – 2 minutes

Prayers

Chaplain: Let us pray.

All: **Merciful God,
Hear the cries of our grief,
for you know the anguish of our hearts.
It is beyond our understanding**

and more than we can bear.
Accept our prayer,
That having endured the worst of this world's cruelty
Giulio may always know the safety of your loving hands and eternal love.
We pray that justice may be done;
and that we may treasure the memory of his life
Even as we are compelled to dwell on the manner of his death.
Amen.

Chaplain: We pray too for Giulio's family.

All: **God of mercy and consolation,**
Hear our prayer for Giulio's family,
that in their grief,
and in the ongoing search for truth and justice
they may not be utterly overwhelmed,
but, even in the darkness,
have confidence in goodness
and strength to meet the days to come.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven
Hallowed be your name.
Your Kingdom come, your will be done,
On earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us
Lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
And the glory are yours.
Now and forever.
Amen.

Chaplain: Peace to the whole earth

All: **Peace to the whole earth**

Chaplain: Peace to all peoples

All: **Peace to all peoples**

Chaplain: Peace to one another

All: **Peace to one another**

Chaplain: Peace within

All: **Peace within**

Blessing and Close