

D1 FORMS OF SERVICE AUTHORISED FOR WORSHIP

Public worship in the Church of England is a matter governed by law. Canon B2 provides that the General Synod may approve forms of service with or without time limit. Services thus approved are alternative to those of *The Book of Common Prayer*.

Canon B4 provides that the convocations, the archbishops in their provinces or the bishops in their dioceses may approve forms of service for use on occasions for which *The Book of Common Prayer* or *Authorised Alternative Services* do not provide. *Authorised Alternative Services* are those approved by the General Synod under Canon B1 and are listed in the *Church of England Year Book* and in *The Canons of the Church of England*.

Canon B5 (paragraph 2) allows discretion to any minister where no other provision has been made under Canons B1 and B4, to use other forms of service that are considered suitable. If questions are raised as to whether such forms of service are suitable the decision rests with the bishop.

Forms of Service authorised by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York without time limit for use in their respective Provinces:

A Service for Remembrance Sunday (included in *The Promise of His Glory*).

Material published in the following volumes:

- *Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England*.
- *Common Worship: Initiation Services* (interim edition, 1998)
- *Common Worship: Pastoral Services*
- *Common Worship: Daily Prayer*
- *New Patterns for Worship*
- Public Worship with Communion by Extension
- Series One Matrimony with Hymns (SPCK)
- Series One Burial Services (SPCK)
- *Lent, Holy Week and Easter: Services and Prayers*
- *The Promise of His Glory: Services and Prayers*
- The Additional Collects (authorised by General Synod February 2004)

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