

## Mothers' Union Membership Service

**This Service is for new members and existing members to affirm and reaffirm their commitments to the Mothers' Union.**

*To be led by a Minister or Mothers' Union office holder, either within Sunday worship or on its own.*

**Leader:** Will the members of the Mothers' Union please stand.

*The purpose, Aim and Objects of the Mothers' Union or the current mission statement are read out by a member.*

The mission of the Mothers' Union is to show our Christian faith by the transformation of communities worldwide, through the promotion of stable marriage, family life and the protection of children.

We aim to achieve this through carrying out our objectives:

- To encourage parents in their role to develop the faith of their children
- To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service
- To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children
- To help those whose family life has met with adversity
- To promote and support married life

**Leader:** Membership of the worldwide Mothers' Union is open to all who have been baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity and who support the mission and objectives of the Mothers' Union. I ask both new and present members to join in affirming their commitment to the Mothers' Union. Do you reaffirm your baptism promises?

**All: I do, with God's help.**

**Leader:** Will you uphold and support the mission and objectives of the Mothers' Union?

**All: I will, with God's help.**

**Leader:** Will you continue to nurture your personal relationship with God and be committed to his family, the Church?

**All: I will, by the grace of God.**

**Leader:** (name/s).....

I admit you to membership of the Mothers' Union, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*The leader greets each new member and they are given their membership card and*

badge.

*If members have moved from another branch/diocese, include the following:*

**Leader:** We welcome (names/s).....  
from.....

**Leader:** Members of the Mothers' Union, will you welcome, support and pray for each other?

**All: We will, in the power of the Spirit.**

**Leader:** We commit ourselves to the work of Jesus Christ through our membership, saying together the Mothers' Union Prayer:

### **The Mothers' Union Prayer**

**Loving Lord**

**We thank you for your love so freely given to us all.**

**We pray for families around the world.**

**Bless the work of the Mothers' Union**

**as we seek to share your love**

**through the encouragement, strengthening  
and support of marriage and family life.**

**Empowered by your Spirit,**

**may we be united in prayer and worship,**

**and in love and service**

**reach out as your hands across the world.**

**In Jesus' name. Amen**

### **Prayer for a branch/group/diocese**

**Heavenly Father,**

**as members of this branch/group/diocese we commit its life to you;**

**we seek your blessing in all we do:**

**your presence in our fellowship**

**your inspiration in our activities;**

**your strength in our service to the Church**

**and to the community;**

**help us to be faithful in prayer and worship**

**and outgoing in our witness to the gospel,**

**that we may advance your kingdom,**

**and glorify your name,**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**