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Book of Common Prayer



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and our tongue with joy, and our

When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion



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The following rubric appears before an order of service in older versions of the Book of Common Prayer:

A FORM of PRAYER with THANKSGIVING to Almighty God, For having put an end to the Great Rebellion, by the Restitution of the King and Royal Family, and the Restoration of the Government after many Years interruption; which unspeakable Mercies were wonderfully completed upon the Twenty-ninth of May, in the Year 1660. And in Memory thereof, that Day in every Year is, by Act of Parliament appointed to be for ever kept holy.

Knapp composed this anthem to be sung at this annual service, for which Ps 126 is a Proper Psalm. The 29th May came to be known as Oak Apple Day, when loyal subjects wore oak leaves in memory of the oak tree in which Charles II hid to evade capture.

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