To the phrase: Lord, we ask you to

The response is: Open our ways to your will

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

In the week of Mothering Sunday -

So that we always recall that mothering happens in many places and in many ways

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we recognise the mother in ourselves

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we value the role of all forms of mothering

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we bring our own experiences of mothering to you

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we support those who are mothering

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we learn from mothering

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we recognise that mothering is hard

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we can reassure those who think they’re not cut out for mothering

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we let ourselves be mothered

Lord, we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

So that we see you as the model of all our mothering

Lord we ask you to

**Open our ways to your will**

**Amen**