

Alan J. C. McClure
12.10.1933 - 27.06.2018

Beloved husband, father and grandfather.
A kind, gentle and loving man.



O merciful saviour, send thy departed servant to a place of light and peace.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Entry

Sheep may safely graze - JS Bach - 'Schafe können sich hier weiden'
BWV 208 ale on Fleisher

Entry Antiphon

The Lord will open to them the gate of paradise, and they will return
to that homeland where there is no death!
but only lasting joy.

First Reading from the Book of Wisdom Ch 3, v. 1-9.

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall
ever touch them. In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die,
their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us like annihilation;
But they are in peace.

If they experienced punishment as we see it, their hope was rich
with immortality; slight was their affliction, great will their
blessings be. god has put them to the test and proved them worthy to
be with him; he has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted
them as a holocaust. When the time comes for his visitation they
will shine out; as sparks run through the stubble, so will they.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Your friends, O Lord,
make known the glorious splendour of your reign.

All your creatures shall thank you O Lord,
And your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
And declare your might, oh God.

Response

They make known to all your mighty deeds
And the glorious splendour of your reign.
Yours is an everlasting kingdom;
Your rule lasts from age to age.

Response

The Lord is just in all his ways
And loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
Who call on him from their hearts.

Response

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition (RSVCE)

Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends; as for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Please stand for the Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the resurrection and the life says The Lord. Anyone who believes in me, even though he dies, yet will he live; and the one who lives and believes in me shall never die.

Alleluia

Gospel. John Ch 14. V. 1-6

Jesus said to his disciples: Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place that I am going'.

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?'

Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the father except through me'.

The Gospel of The Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Homily

Offertory Hymn

Lord of all hopefulness. - drolas94

Communion

I watch the sunrise (close to you) - Marilla Ness

Family Reflections

Final Commendation

Trusting in God, we have prayed together for Alan, and now we come to the last farewell. There is grief in parting, but we take comfort in the hope that one day we shall see him again and enjoy his friendship, and the mercy of God will gather us together again in the joy of his kingdom. Therefore, let us console one another in faith, hope and love.

Prayer of Farewell

I know that my redeemer lives,
And on that final day of days,
His voice shall bid me rise again:
Unending joy, unceasing praise!

Response: Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High

This hope I cherish in my heart:
To stand on earth my flesh restored,
And, not a stranger but a friend,
Behold my Saviour and my Lord.

Response: Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High

Prayers of Commendation

Exit Music

Allelujah: Leonard Cohen piano cover by Yuval Salomon

The family wish to thank you for joining us today for remembering and celebrating the life of Alan a kind, loving and gentle man.

The family would be grateful if you could make a donation to the UK Sepsis Trust in Alan's memory.
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The crematorium service will be a private ceremony for family only.

The family will see invited guests at the following reception.



*May he support us all the day,
Until the evening comes,
& all our work is done,
& the world is hushed.
Then in his mercy, may he give us
A holy rest & peace at last.*