



A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of
GEOFFREY RICHARD SMITH

20th November 1926 - 24th April 2017

St James' Church, Halloughton

Monday 15th May 2017

at 12.00 noon

Service conducted by Reverend Phil White



ENTRANCE MUSIC

Canon in D - Pachelbel
played by the organist

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord,
At the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord,
At the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace.
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord,
At the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord,
At the end of the day.

Jan Struther (1901-1953)

READING

1 Corinthians, Chapter 13: verses 1-13

ADDRESS

The Reverend Phil White

TRIBUTE

Brian Atkinson

POEM

He Is Gone

read by Adam Bond

You can shed tears that he is gone,
Or you can smile because he has lived.
You can close your eyes and pray that he will come back,
Or you can open your eyes and see all that he has left.
Your heart can be empty because you can't see him,
Or you can be full of the love that you shared.
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.
You can remember him and only that he is gone,
Or you can cherish his memory and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind,
Be empty and turn your back,
Or you can do what he would want,
Smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

Written 1981

David Harkins 1959 - Silloth, Cumbria, UK

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Life

Ludovico Einaudi

THE PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

Thy kingdom come;

thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

the power and the glory,

for ever and ever.

Amen.

HYMN

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hand he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

COMMENDATION

THE BLESSING

MUSIC ON EXIT

My Heart Will Go On
André Rieu



The family would like to thank you all for your kind messages of support and love at this sad time, and thank you for attending the service here today.

You are warmly invited to join them, after the service, for light refreshments at Brook Green, Halloughton, Southwell NG25 0QP.

All donations in memory of Geoffrey will be going to the

British Red Cross

Donations can be left in the donation box at the end of the service, sent care of A. W. Lymn, The Family Funeral Service at the address below or with Gift Aid where appropriate at: www.lymn.co.uk/obituaries

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