

*A Celebration and Thanksgiving
for the life of*



David Smyth Olby
24th November 1937 - 2nd May 2025

**St Mary's Church
Slindon**

Thursday 5th June 2025
at 2.00pm

Service conducted by The Reverend Peter Dyson

Opening Music

'Amazing Grace'

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Hymn

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:

How great thou art! How great thou art!

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When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

Refrain

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, My God, how great thou art!

Refrain

Bible Reading

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-14

read by Ellie Bax

The Eulogy

given by Gerald, Justyn and Duncan

Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

Come, Almighty, to deliver,
let us all thy grace receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

The Address

by The Reverend Peter Dyson

Prayer

by John Simmons

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

Guide me, O thou great redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven
Feed me now and evermore;
Feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer;
Be thou still my strength and shield;
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs and praises, songs and praises,
I will ever give to thee;
I will ever give to thee.

The Commendation

The Blessing

Closing Music

'Canon In D' - Johann Pachelbel

*Everyone is welcome to attend David's committal
which will take place in the churchyard.*

*David's family wish to express their sincere thanks to everyone here today,
for all the kind expressions of sympathy, cards, letters and messages
of condolence received at this very sad time.*

*They warmly invite you to join them for refreshments at
Slindon Coronation Hall, Reynolds Lane, Slindon BN18 0QT
following the service*

*Donations in David's memory for
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