A Service to Celebrate the Life of

Elizabeth Woods 'Betty' ARRC TD SRN

13th February 1930 – 17th February 2024



St James the Less Church, Lancing
Tuesday 12th March 2024
at 12:00 noon

Service officiated by Father Ben Scott

Opening Music

WE'LL MEET AGAIN

By Vera Lynn

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Hymn

DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND

- Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.
- ² In simple trust like theirs who heard beside the Syrian sea the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.
- ³O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!
- ⁴ Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

⁵ Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

A Reflection

Read by Patric Welch

Tribute

By Jaynie Weet and Nicholas Hughes

Hymn

LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS

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 labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, 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.

Bible Reading

1 Corinthians 13

Read By Peter Bowers

13 If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love,
I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy
and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have
a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

³ If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship
that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹² For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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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

GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT REDEEMER

Guide me, O my great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow.

Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.

Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, ever be my strength and shield, ever be 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 of praises, songs of praises

I will ever sing to you,

I will ever sing to you.

Commendation

Committal

Blessing

Closing Music

Nimrod

By Edward Elgar



Thank you for attending the service today.

You are warmly invited to join the family, following the service at St Michael & All Angels Church Hall, South Street, Lancing, BN15 8AJ.

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