A Service of Celebration for the life of

GEOFFREY BARTON

 8^{th} October $1931 - 3^{rd}$ July 2024



 $23^{\rm rd}$ July 2024, 1pm The Parish Church of St Peter and St Paul, Rustington

ENTRY MUSIC

Mozart Clarinet Concerto in A major K622, 2nd movement *Adagio*

OPENING SENTENCES AND INTRODUCTION

HYMN

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n 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 ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe, Thy loving spirit
Into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find Thy promised rest;
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, Let us all Thy grace receive; Suddenly return, and never, Never more 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.

PRAYER OF REFLECTION

READING

Psalm 121, read by Mervyn Wright

I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip –
he who watches over you will not slumber;

Indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord watches over you –
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;
The sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm –
he will watch over your life;
The Lord will watch over your coming and going
both now and forevermore.

TRIBUTE

Andrew Barton

MEMORIES OF GRANDPA

Ian Waterton

THE SPARROW'S PRAYER

Read by Anna Barton

READING

John 14: 1-7,27, read by Rev Laura Darrall

ADDRESS

Rev Laura Darrall

VISUAL TRIBUTE TO GEOFFREY

with music, 'All in the April Evening'

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 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.

PRAYERS

Led by Rev Laura Darrall, concluding with 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 today 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 Thou 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 of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee.

COMMENDATION

BLESSING

EXIT MUSIC

'Going Home', *Largo* from Dvořák's Symphony No. 9 'From the New World'



Heather, Andrew, Caroline and the family thank you all for your love, sympathy, kindness and support.

There will be a leaving collection in support of Aquabox and St Barnabas Hospice.

Alternatively, donations can be made at:

geoffreybarton.muchloved.com

Everyone is warmly invited to join the family at the Parish Hall after the service for refreshments.