

A Thanksgiving Service to
Celebrate the Life of



John Blumer Pope

23rd February 1935 ~ 19th June 2026

All Hallows Church, Tillington
Wednesday 22nd July at 11.30am

Opening Music
Ave Maria ~ Franz Schubert
Hannah Holgersson

Welcome and Opening Prayer
The Reverend Dr David Crook

Hymn

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
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:
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
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.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace!

Collect

Scripture Reading

Philippians 4:4-9

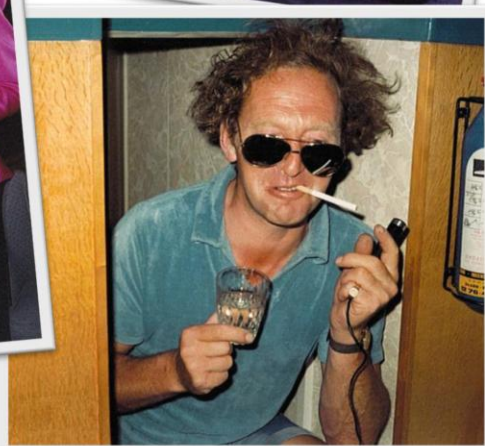
Read by Andy Blumer

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!
Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.
Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.
And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your
hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is
right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is
excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.
Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me - put it
into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Eulogy

Richard Pope





Reading

Remember Me ~ *Author Unknown*

Read by Rebecca Lane and Harriette Stork

Remember me as I used to be
Not as you saw me last,
Recall the days of happy times
Spent with me in the past.

Instead of tears for what might have been
Smile for all we have shared,
A life so full of happiness
Made so because you cared.

And next time when you see a rose in bloom
Or hear a blackbird's song,
Remember me as I used to be
In days when I was strong.

Remember me as I used to be
Not as you saw me last,
And keep me close in memory
In your present and in our past.

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

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, 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.

Commendation and Committal

Blessing

Closing Music

Soul Limbo ~ *Booker T and the MGs*

You are invited join the family after the service at
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