

A CELEBRATION  
OF THE LIFE OF



DR. MICHAEL  
ANDERSON - UPCOTT

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

Monday 18th March 2024, 12.00pm

St. Nicolas Church, Old Shoreham

Service conducted by Revd James Grant



## **OPENING MUSIC**

Die Himmel erzählen die Ehre Gottes  
(SWV386) – H. Schutz

## **WELCOME**

## **OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty God, you judge us with infinite mercy  
and justice and love everything you have made.  
In your mercy turn the darkness of death into the dawn of  
new life, and the sorrow of parting into the joy of heaven;  
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

## HYMN

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
    forgive our foolish ways!  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
    in purer lives thy service find,  
    in deeper reverence praise.

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.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
    O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
    the silence of eternity,  
    interpreted by love!

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.

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!

## EULOGY

## COLLECT

## READING

From the Merchant of Venice  
(Act IV,1) – W Shakespeare

The quality of mercy is not strained;  
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven  
Upon the place beneath. It is twice blest;  
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes:  
'T is mightiest in the mightiest; it becomes  
The throned monarch better than his crown:  
His sceptre shows the force of temporal power,  
The attribute to awe and majesty,  
Wherein doth sit the dread and fear of kings;  
But mercy is above this sceptred sway;  
It is enthronèd in the hearts of kings,  
It is an attribute to God himself;  
And earthly power doth then show likest God's  
When mercy seasons justice. Therefore, Jew,  
Though justice be thy plea, consider this,  
That, in the course of justice, none of us  
Should see salvation: we do pray for mercy;  
And that same prayer doth teach us all to render  
The deeds of mercy. I have spoke thus much  
To mitigate the justice of thy plea;  
Which if thou follow, this strict court of Venice  
Must needs give sentence 'gainst the merchant there.

## **BIBLE READING**

Matthew 6.25-34

## **ADDRESS**

### **HYMN**

*All things bright and beautiful,  
all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful,  
the Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,  
each little bird that sings,  
he made their glowing colours,  
he made their tiny wings.

#### *Refrain*

The purple-headed mountain,  
the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning  
that brightens up the sky:

#### *Refrain*

The cold wind in the winter,  
the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden,  
he made them every one.

The tall trees in the greenwood,  
the meadows where we play,  
the rushes by the water  
we gather every day:

*Refrain*

He gave us eyes to see them,  
and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty,  
who has made all things well.

*Refrain*

**PRAYERS**

Prayers conclude with

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

Love divine, all loves excelling  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesu, 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,  
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.



## COMMENDATION & COMMITTAL

### SONG

*Bless the Lord my soul and bless his holy name  
Bless the Lord my soul who leads me into life*

### FINAL BLESSING

### CLOSING MUSIC

Vide Cor Meum – Patrick Cassidy

# THANK YOU

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