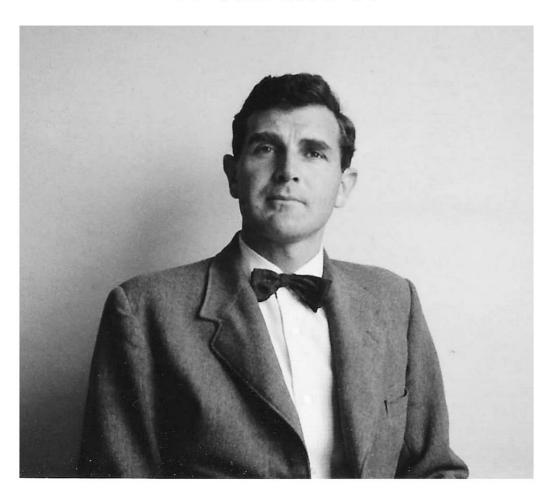
A CELEBRATION

OF THE LIFE OF



Dr. Michael Anderson - Upcott

20 January 1932 - 14 February 2024

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!

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 enthroned 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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