

THE CELEBRATION OF A LIFE



DR PEGGY NAOMI BESWICK

13TH SEPTEMBER 1934 - 2ND AUGUST 2021

FRIDAY 27TH AUGUST 2021

AT 12.00 NOON

ST BOTOLPH'S CHURCH, SAXILBY

OPENING SENTENCES

WELCOME

David Cotton - Celebrant

OPENING PRAYER

God our Father, author of all joy and beauty, grant that in this time of mourning, we may have hearts filled with thankfulness; blessing and peace as we celebrate the life of Peggy. May she rest in your everlasting arms for all eternity, through your dear son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

EULOGY

HYMN
from Psalm 23
The Lord's My Shepherd

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For thou art with me; and thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forever more
My dwelling place shall be.

Scottish Psalter (1650)

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SERVANT SONG

Brother, let me be your servant.

Let me be as Christ to you.

Pray that I might have the grace

To let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey.

We are brothers on the road.

We are here to help each other

Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you

In the night time of your fear;

I will hold my hand out to you,

Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping.

When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.

I will share your joy and sorrow,

Till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven,

We shall find such harmony

Born of all we've known together

Of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, Sister, let me serve you.

Let me be as Christ to you.

Pray that I might have the grace

To let you be my servant, too.

Richard Gillard (b.1953)

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians, Chapter 4: verses 7-18
read by Kenda

SHORT REFLECTION AND TRIBUTE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
In earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those that 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

Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven

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 as 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.

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

Eternal God and Father, in whose hand is the marvellous gift of life and in whom we share our being, grant us thankful hearts as we continue on in life, and in sharing our memories of Peggy.

Grant that in the wholeness of memory, there may be celebration and joy both here and in the world to come. Amen.

COMMENDATION

God our Father, receive your servant Peggy. May she rest in your everlasting arms for all eternity, through your dear son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen.

Brief words of invitation, welcoming all to the reception after the service

THE BLESSING

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord:
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.



“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.”
Lamentations Chapter 3: verses 22-23

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