

**St Giles' Church, Wormshill
Monday 21st November 2022
at 11.00 am**

A service of thanksgiving
for the life of
William David Ness Prentice



15th September 1951- 18th October 2022

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN

We plough the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand:
He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes, and the sunshine, and soft, refreshing rain.

*All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all His love.*

He only is the maker of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower, He lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey Him, by Him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, His children, He gives our daily bread.

All good gifts around us...

We thank you then, O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food.

Accept the gifts we offer for all your love imparts,
And, what you most desire, our humble, thankful hearts.

All good gifts around us...

Matthias Claudius (1740-1815)

POEM

Little Snowdrop
read by Lydia

TRAVELS WITH DAVID

by Mike Hill

READING

from *Reaper Man* by Terry Pratchett
read by Becca

MCCANDLISH'S MEMORIES

spoken by Dan

POEM

When I Come To The End Of The Road
by Christine Georgina Rossetti
read by Emma

TRIBUTE BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS

read by Andy Passey

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 kindness, 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.

Jan Struther (1901-1953)

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

Morning has broken, like the first morning;
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the World!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's re-creation of the new day!

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Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)

COMMENDATION

DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

Move to the graveside

COMMITTAL

PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The congregation is warmly invited, following the service,
to food and refreshments in the village hall.

Service conducted by Reverend Paula Jardine-Rose

Organist: Andrew Cesana

If anyone would like to plant a bulb in memory of David there is a walnut tree opposite Yew Tree Farm house at the corner of the road/lane which was planted for our mother's 90th birthday. Norman Davidson is kindly going to make a bench and Peter Allchin is also kindly going to erect a fence with a gate. This will be in the near future so anyone can sit and look across the fields in memory of David.

Any bulb will be lovely. For late winter and early spring colour, bulbs such as snowdrops and crocus will start the season. While daffodil, hyacinth and tulip bulbs will follow with spring flowering. In early summer bulbs such as alliums, eremurus and freesias start to appear, while dahlia, gladiolus and canna bulbs will see you through into the autumn.



All the family thank you for your support today.

You are warmly invited to join them
to continue to share your memories of David, after the service, at
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