

26th June 1980

THANKSGIVING
FOR THE
LIFE OF

Harold Owen White

5th March 1909 – 27th May 1980



In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength

Before the service begins the music to be played will be:

DANCE OF THE BLESSED SPIRITS – GLUCK
PRELUDE FROM THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS – ELGAR

and at the start of the service:

ADAGIO FROM THE SUITE IN G MINOR – ALBINONI

The choir will sing:

HOW LOVELY IS THY DWELLING PLACE – BRAHMS

The Bidding – The Bishop of Hertford, Peter Mumford

We are here to give thanks for the life of Harold White
and to commend him to the loving keeping of our heavenly Father.
We remember that Jesus, the Son of God, has told us that He is
the Resurrection and the Life; to all of us he gives us this
commandment:

‘Love one another as I have loved you; you are my friends
if you do whatsoever I command you; all things that I have
heard of my father I have made known unto you.’

Hymn

Blest are the pure in heart,
For they shall see our God;
The secret of the Lord is theirs,
Their soul is Christ’s abode

The Lord, who left the heavens,
Our life and peace to bring,
To dwell in lowliness with men,
Their pattern and their King;

Still to the lowly soul
He doth himself impart,
And for his dwelling and his throne
Chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we thy presence seek,
May ours this blessing be:
Give us a pure and lowly heart,
A temple meet for thee.

Reading – from a book by Archbishop Anthony Bloom

The choir will sing the motet:

JESU, JOY OF MAN’S DESIRING – J. S. BACH

Address – The Bishop of Hertford

Hymn

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the Cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the Cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains that he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Prayers – led by The Archdeacon of Bedford, Christopher
Mayfield, concluding with all saying the prayer of
St Francis of Assisi:

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace:
That where there is hatred, I may bring love;
That where there is wrong, I may bring the spirit of forgiveness;
That where there is discord, I may bring harmony;
That where there is error, I may bring truth;
That where there is doubt, I may bring faith;
That where there is despair, I may bring hope;
That where there are shadows, I may bring Thy light;
That where there is sadness, I may bring joy.

Lord, grant that I may seek
rather to comfort, than to be comforted,
to understand, than to be understood,
to love, than to be loved;
For it is by giving that one receives;
It is by self-forgetting that one finds;
It is by forgiving that one is forgiven;
It is by dying that one awakens to eternal life.

Hymn

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God;
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.

O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against the foe,
Should strive and should prevail;

And in the garden secretly,
And on the cross on high,
Should teach his brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

Blessing – The Bishop of Hertford

At the end of the service the music to be played will be:
TOCCATA AND FUGUE IN D MINOR – J. S. BACH

The congregation is requested to follow the family to the West End.

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