

F.A. H.

A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life and Work of

FRANKIE HOWERD, O.B.E.

St. Martin in the Fields Church Trafalgar Square, London.

Wednesday, 8th July, 1992. 3.30 p.m.

# The service is conducted by The Reverend Martin Henwood

Assisted by **The Reverend Martin Morgan** 

The organist, musical director and choir arranger is **Mark Stringer** 

The choir is from **The Graveney School, Tooting.** 

The service incorporates some of Frankie's favourite music and songs

The organ music includes

Ode To Joy - Beethoven's 9th Choral Symphony Autumn Leaves Send In The Clowns

#### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Seated

Introduction and welcome
The Reverend Martin Henwood

Stand

#### **HYMN**

All

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.

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!

Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1872) Music: Charles Hubert Parry (1888)

### The Bidding Prayer The Reverend Martin Henwood

Sit

#### **CILLA BLACK**

Piano
VANESSA LATARCHE
Chopin's Third Ballade in A Flat

#### **BARRY CRYER**

Stand

#### **HYMN**

1 For all the saints who from their labours rest, Who thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.

Alleluia!

- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness, still their one true Light. Alleluia!
- 3 O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia

- 4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, Steals on the ear the distant triumph song, And hearts are brave again and arms are strong. Alleluia!
- 5 But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array: The King of Glory passes on his way.

Alleluia!

Words: Bishop W. Walsham How (1864) Music: (Engleberg) Sir Charles Stanford (1864)

Sit

JUNE WHITFIELD

**GRIFF RHYS JONES** 

Piano

**RUSS CONWAY** 

Comedy Tonight

Three Little Fishes

When You're Smiling

Accompanied by The Graveney School Choir

**BRUCE FORSYTH** 

## Thanksgiving Prayer The Reverend Martin Morgan

Kneel

Priest: Let us Pray

Priest: For your gift of life and a sense of humour.

All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: For the life and work of Frankie Howerd

All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: For his gift of making us laugh.

All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: For his generosity and friendship All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: For his works of charity All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: For all who cared for him All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: For the loyalty of his audiences and fans

All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: For all those who through their skills in

producing, writing and directing, made

his success possible We Thank You O Lord

All: We Thank You O Lord

Priest: Hear us O Merciful Father

As we remember in love and thanksgiving the life and work of **FRANKIE HOWERD** whom we have placed in your hands. Acknowledge, we pray, a sheep of your

own fold

A lamb of your own flock
A sinner of your own redeeming
Enfold Frank with the arms of your mercy
In the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and in the glorious company of the

Saints in light.

All: Amen

### **HYMN**

All
AND did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God
On England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among those dark satanic mills?

This verse is sung by the childrens choir

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Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In England's green and pleasant land.

Words: William Blake 1757-1827 Music: C.H.H. Parry 1848-1910

Blessing
The Reverend Martin Henwood