



MURRAY GILBERT PEARSON
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THURSDAY 26TH MAY 2022 AT 2 PM

CONDUCTED BY
THE REVEREND CANON CHARLES MITCHELL-INNES

AT
ST MARY'S CHURCH, GILLINGHAM, DORSET



ORDER OF SERVICE



Welcome and Introductory Prayer

HYMN

Father, hear the prayer we offer:
not for ease that prayer shall be,
but for strength that we may ever
live our lives courageously.

Not for ever in green pastures
do we ask our way to be;
but the steep and rugged pathway
may we tread rejoicingly.

Not for ever by still waters
would we idly rest and stay;
but would smite the living fountains
from the rocks along our way.

Be our strength in hours of weakness,
in our wanderings be our guide;
through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.

POEM

At Rest (Anon) Read by David Pearson

Think of me as one at rest, for me you should not weep
I have no pain no troubled thoughts - For I am just asleep
The living, thinking me that was, Is now forever still
and life goes on without me now, as time forever will.

If your heart is heavy now because I've gone away
Dwell not long upon it friend for none of us can stay
Those of you who liked me, I sincerely thank you all
and those of you who loved me, I thank you most of all
and in my fleeting lifespan as time went rushing by
I found some time to hesitate, to laugh, to love, to cry
Matters it now if time began if time will ever cease?
I was here, I used it all, and now I am at peace.

READINGS

Psalm 46

John 14:1-6

HYMN

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;
be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;
be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise:
be thou mine inheritance now and always;
be thou and thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won;
great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

FAMILY TRIBUTE

TRIBUTE

by Lucy

ADDRESS

by Reverend Canon Charles Mitchell-Innes

HYMN

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary,
through the desert thou didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE COMMENDATION

THE COMMITTAL

THE BLESSING

HYMN

1. Forth in thy Name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know,
In all I think or speak or do.

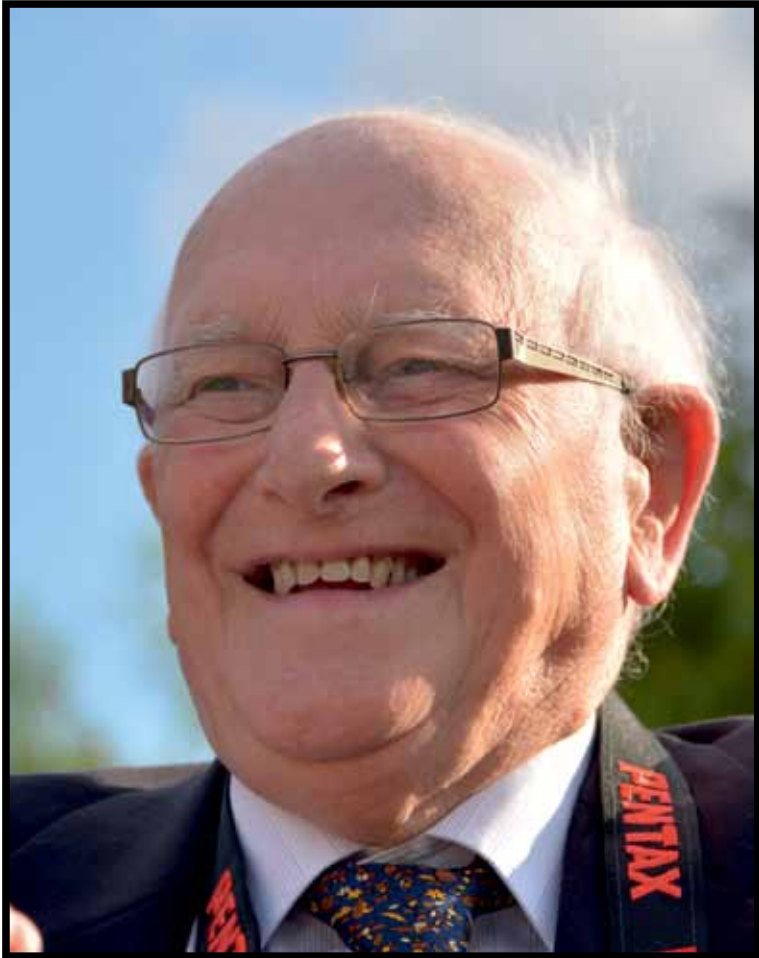
3 Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see,
And labour on at thy command,
And offer all my works to thee.

2 The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works thy presence find,
And prove thy good and perfect will.

4 Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to thy glorious day.

5 For thee delightfully employ
Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with thee to heaven.





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Tel: 01747 822494*

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Olive Bowl, Gillingham SP8 4PX
for refreshments after the Service*