

# Memorial Service



**Reverend Timothy Kenneth Hardingham**

22 February 1949 – 25 October 2020

3pm Saturday 30 October 2021

St Mary's Parish Church, Saffron Walden

## **Celebration and thanksgiving for a Life**

Service conducted by The Reverend Alex Jeewan

'Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.'

*Phillippians 4, v 4-7*

*Music before the service*

Fantasia in G minor BWV 542 JS Bach

*Played by Elliot Randall (Michael Swindlehurst Organ Scholar 2018-2020)*

*This is a recording made by Peter De Vile as Elliot is unable to be here today*

*Music after the service*

Voluntary: Fugue in G minor BWV 542 JS Bach

*Played by Oli King, Director of Music*

# Order of Service

## Welcome and Opening Prayer

### Hymn Be still my soul

- 1 Be still, my soul! for God is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief and pain:  
leave to your God to order and provide,  
in every change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul! your best, your heav'nly Friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul! your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he hast the past.  
Your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be clear at last.  
Be still, my soul! the tempests still obey  
his voice, who ruled them once on Galilee.
- 3 Be still, my soul! the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be for ever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgotten, love's pure joy restored.  
Be still my soul! when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

**Bible Reading** *James 3:13-18* Read by Jill Porter

**Address**

## **Personal Tributes**

Paul Stewart–Turner  
Margaret Gwyer (On behalf of the Science Dept SWCH)  
Jeremy Hardingham  
Nell Hardingham

## **Music for Reflection**

Lascia la spina cogli la rosa *Handel*

Sung by Karin Fischer-Buder with accompaniment,  
Oli King *Piano* and Ellie Beare *Cello*

### *Italian text*

Lascia la spina, cogli la rosa;  
tu vai cercando il tuo dolor.

Canuta brina per mano ascosa,  
giungerà quando non crede il cuor.

### *English translation*

Leave the thorn, take the rose;  
you go searching for your pain.

Grey frost by hidden hand  
will come when your heart does not expect it.

## **Thanksgiving Prayer**

**Anthem** Cantique de Jean Racine *Fauré*

Sung by the Choir of St Mary's, Saffron Walden with members of  
St Mary's Choir, Wendens Ambo

*French text*

Verbe égal au Très-Haut, notre unique espérance,  
Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux,  
De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence:  
Divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux.

Répands sur nous le feu de Ta grâce puissante;  
Que tout l'enfer fuie au son de Ta voix;  
Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante  
Qui la conduit à l'oubli de Tes lois!

Ô Christ! sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle,  
Pour Te bénir maintenant rassemblé;  
Reçois les chants qu'il offre à Ta gloire immortelle,  
Et de Tes dons qu'il retourne comblé.

*English translation*

Word of the Highest, our only hope,  
Eternal day of earth and the heavens,  
We break the silence of the peaceful night;  
Saviour Divine, cast your eyes upon us!

Pour on us the fire of your powerful grace,  
That all hell may flee at the sound of your voice;  
Banish the slumber of a weary soul,  
That brings forgetfulness of your laws!

O Christ, look with favour upon your faithful people  
Now gathered here to praise you;  
Receive their hymns offered to your immortal glory;  
May they go forth filled with your gifts.

## **Prayers** Led by Sam and Jo Slota-Newson

### **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** How great thou art

- 1 O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works thy hands hath made;  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

### *Refrain*

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art, how great thou art!

- 2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

### *Refrain*

- 3 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin;

### *Refrain*

- 4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, 'My God, how great thou art!'

### *Refrain*

## **Commendation**

## **The Peace**

## **Blessing**













## The Gifts

What do you find there?  
A cabinet of winter  
stuffed with pale storms, files  
of draughts and missing  
information, damp socks, gloves,  
hands like lost evenings.

Who has put them there?  
Don't ask. It doesn't matter.  
Such gifts just appear  
and accumulate.

*George Szirtes*

*There will be a retiring collection for the International Rescue Committee  
Refreshments served after the service*

*The family warmly invites everyone to join them afterwards at The Bell  
in Wendens Ambo as we celebrate and remember Tim*

*Front cover: Portrait of Tim by Josephine Bacon*