Opening music

Mozart piano concerto No. 23 in A, K488, 2nd Movement, Adagio

Welcome and opening prayer Psalm 121 and The Collect Revd Karen Hunter Kriwald

Words: Bianco da Siena

Hymn

Tune: Down Ampney

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Reading

John Bunyan's The Pilgrim's Progress: The words of Mr. Standfast, conclusion Part 2 Reader: Owen Rhys

Tribute and Reflections on the reading
Revd Karen Hunter Kriwald

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

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word.

For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Thy people, Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Words: H.F. Lyte from Psalm 103

Hymn

Tune: J. Goss

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing? Alleluia, alleluia, praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress; praise him still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Alleluia, alleluia, glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us, well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, alleluia, widely as his mercy flows:

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space: Alleluia, alleluia, praise with us the God of grace.

The family will move outside for the burial of ashes.

Joyce, Helena, Ruth and Jenny thank you for coming today and for your kind messages, support and love. Please do join the family for refreshments at Chedworth Village Hall.

Any donations given in memory of Ron will be divided between St Andrew's Church and the Progressive Supranuclear Palsy Association (PSPA).

Departing music

J.S Bach: O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig (BWV 618) Organist: Ben Kelly

Burial of Ashes

Minister: Though we are dust and ashes, God has prepared for those who love him a heavenly dwelling place. At his funeral you commended Ron into the hands of almighty God. As we commit the remains of Ron to the earth, we entrust ourselves and all who love God to his loving care.

Minister: God our Father, in loving care your hand has created us, and as the potter fashions the clay you have formed us in your image. Through the Holy Spirit you have breathed into us the gift of life. In the sharing of love you have enriched our knowledge of you and of one another. We claim your love today, as we return these ashes to the ground in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life.

All: Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Minister: God of hope, grant that we, with all who believe in you, may be united in the full knowledge of your love and the unclouded vision of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Blessing

Minister: And now may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you and those whom you love and pray for, now and evermore.

Amen



Ron and Joyce's wedding day, Saint Nicholas', Lockington, 1st August, 1954



Ron and Joyce, relaxing in their garden, Cleobury Mortimer, Shropshire, May 2020