

*A Service of
Celebration and Thanksgiving
for the life of*

Margaret Campbell Smith

27th January 1925 – 26th October 2020



'When a melody falls silent, it insists on singing in the memory.'

St James' Church, Didsbury
on Friday 13th November 2020 at 2.00pm
followed by committal at Manchester Crematorium at 3.30pm
conducted by Revd Dr Nicholas Bundock

Music on Entry

Overture from Music for the Royal Fireworks ~ Handel

Welcome and Prayer

Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee:
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Reading

Let me go ~ read by Valerie Hempstock

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom filled room
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not for long
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the love that once we shared
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the master plan
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at all the things we used to do
Miss me, but let me go.

Christina Rossetti

Music

Geistliches Lied Op. 30 ~ Brahms

Do not be sorrowful or regretful;
be calm, as God has ordained,
and thus my will shall be content.

What do you want to worry about from day to day?
There is One who stands above all,
who gives you, too, what is yours.

Only be steadfast in all you do,
stand firm; what God has decided,
that is and must be the best.

Amen.

Paul Flemming

Tribute

Claire Campbell Smith

Music

Silent Woods Op. 68 No. 5 ~ Dvorak

Reading

Colossians 3: 12-17 ~ read by Ian Wiseman

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Reflection

Revd Dr Nicholas Bundock

Hymn

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, only light;
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving to all that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Prayers

Music

Piano Concerto No. 21 in C major K 467 II. Andante ~ Mozart

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

He who would valiant be
'Gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master.
There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound –
His strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
Though he with giants fight:
He will make good his right
To be a pilgrim

Since, Lord, thou dost defend
Us with thy Spirit,
We know we at the end
Shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
To be a pilgrim.

Commendation

Music

O quam gloriosum ~ Victoria

O how glorious is the kingdom,
in which all the saints rejoice with Christ!
Clad in robes of white,
they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

Revelation 7:9

Blessing

Music

Prelude and Fugue in C major BWV 545 ~ Bach



Musicians

Simon Mercer	Organ
Stephen Threlfall	Cello
Kathleen Uren	Piano
Elena Whiteley	Soprano
Jenny Heslop	Soprano
Nikki Martin	Soprano
Kirsten Flores	Alto
Kate Mercer	Alto
Chris Martin	Tenor
Peter Syrus	Tenor
Bryan Fox	Bass and Music Director
Nick Fox	Bass

Bryan, Claire, Janet and Ian wish to thank you for the friendship you have shared with Margaret over many years and the kind messages of sympathy we have received. We are also grateful to all those who have shared their talents with us during today's service.



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