

The family would like to thank everyone for their kind words and support at this sad time.

All are welcome for light refreshment at St Helen's Church Hall, Frederick Road, Stapleford.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



ROBERT EDWARD BUTLER

7th March 1942 - 14th December 2024

Friday 17th January 2025 at 1.00 pm
St. Helen's Church, Stapleford

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC
The Church's One Foundation
played by the organist

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYERS
Reverend Paul Savage

March we forth in the strength of God,
His banner is unfurled;
Let the light of the gospel shine
In the darkness of the world:
Strengthen the weary, heal the sick
And set every captive free,
That the earth shall be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.

All our efforts are nothing worth
Unless God bless the deed;
Vain our hopes for the harvest tide
Till he brings to life the seed.
Yet ever nearer draws the time,
The time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.

COMMENDATION

RECESSIONAL MUSIC
Lord, For The Years
played by the organist

Following the service, the committal will take place at Stapleford Cemetery.

HYMN

God is working his purpose out
As year succeeds to year.
God is working his purpose out,
And the time is drawing near.
Nearer and nearer draws the time,
The time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.

From the east to the utmost west
Wherever foot has trod,
Through the mouths of his messengers
Echoes forth the voice of God:
'Listen to me, ye continents,
Ye islands, give ear to me,
That the earth shall be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.'

How can we do the work of God,
How prosper and increase
Harmony in the human race,
And the reign of perfect peace?
What can we do to urge the time;
The time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled
With the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea?

OPENING HYMN

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle if Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway, if Thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel Thee near me: the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me, around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear Thee speaking in accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen, Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, Thou hast promised to all who follow Thee,
That where Thou art in glory there shall Thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end:
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

O let me see Thy foot-marks, and in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly is in Thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end;
And then in Heaven receive me, my Saviour and my friend.

John Ernest Bode (1816-1874)

FAMILY TRIBUTE

led by Ian McLaren, brother-in-law and friend

BIBLE READING

1 Thessalonians, Chapter 4: verses 13-end

SERMON

Reverend Paul Savage

PRAYERS

Colin Clarke, Lay Minister

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.