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*A Service of Celebration for the Life of*

*John Flowers*

2nd November 1936 - 10th March 2026



Tuesday 7th April 2026 at 1.00 pm

Arnold Road Evangelical Church

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# *Order of Service*

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*Music on Entry*  
*as we are gathered*  
Jesus Is Here

*Welcome and Prayer*  
James Grimwood

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## *Hymn*

There is a higher throne  
Than all this world has known,  
Where faithful ones from every tongue  
Will one day come.

Before the Son we'll stand,  
Made faultless through the Lamb;  
Believing hearts find promised grace:  
Salvation comes.

Hear heaven's voices sing,  
Their thunderous anthem rings  
Through emerald courts and sapphire skies,  
Their praises rise.

All glory, wisdom, power,  
Strength, thanks and honour are  
To God, our King who reigns on high,  
For evermore.

And there we'll find our home,  
Our life before the throne;  
We'll honour him in perfect song  
Where we belong.

He'll wipe each tear-stained eye,  
As thirst and hunger die;  
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd-King:  
We'll reign with him.  
Hear heaven's voices sing...

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*Reading*

Ecclesiastes, Chapter 3: verses 1-14  
*and*

*Poem*

Alison and Nick Wakely

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*Hymn*

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
    Forgive our foolish ways;  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,  
    In purer lives Thy service find,  
    In deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
    Beside the Syrian sea,  
    The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word,  
    Rise up and follow Thee.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
    Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
    And let our ordered lives confess  
    The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
    Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
    Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
    O still, small voice of calm.

*John Greenleaf Whittier 1807-92*

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*Reading*

2 Timothy, Chapter 1: verses 8-14  
Stephen Flowers

*Memories*

Trevor Oakland

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*Prayer*  
Neil Osborne

*Address*  
James Grimwood

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*Hymn*

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count as loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
Save in the cross of Christ my God;  
The very things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
When did such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

His lifeblood, like a crimson robe,  
Clothes all his body on the tree:  
Then I am dead to all the globe,  
And all the globe is dead to me!

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were an offering far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

*Isaac Watts 1674-1748*

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*Closing Prayer*

*Music on Exit*

Abide With Me

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The family would like to thank friends for cards, flowers, wishes and prayers.

There will be a short committal at Gedling Crematorium at 2.30 pm for the family, following the funeral service. Tea and Coffee will be available in the church hall for those not attending.

Please stay for refreshments, which will follow when the family return from the Crematorium.

Donations in memory of John for

**Leukaemia UK**

and

**BBC Children in Need**

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