



In Loving Memory of
Hazel Simpson
1st July 1942 - 22nd January 2026



St Philip Neri Church, Mansfield

Thursday 26th February 2026
at 10.00 am





Order of Service

led by Deacon John Wynn-Higgins



Entrance Music

I Will Always Love You
Whitney Houston

Welcome and Introduction

The background of the page is a soft-focus photograph of various flowers. On the right side, there are several light pink flowers with yellow centers. On the left side, there are clusters of small purple flowers. The overall tone is gentle and natural.

Opening Hymn

*All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings:

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning
That brightens up the sky:

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one:

He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well:

Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander (1818-1895)



Liturgy of the Word

Revelation, Chapter 21: verses 1-7

Hymn

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be.

Scottish Psalter (1650)



Gospel

John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6

Homily



Poem

She Is Gone

read by great granddaughter, Alexa

You can shed tears that she is gone,
Or you can smile because she has lived.

You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back,
Or you can open your eyes and see all that she's left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
Or you can be full of the love you shared.

You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.

You can remember her and only that she's gone,
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.

You can cry and close your mind,
Be empty and turn your back.

Or you can do what she'd want,
Smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

David Harkins (b. 1958)



Hymn

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.*

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.
So I'll cherish...

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see,
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
To pardon and sanctify me.
So I'll cherish...

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true;
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away,
Where His glory forever I'll share.
So I'll cherish...

George Bennard (1873-1958)



Eulogy

read by grandson, Scott Brough and Deacon John

Final Commendation

Exit Music

You'll Never Walk Alone
Gerry and the Pacemakers

*The committal service will now follow at
Mansfield Woodhouse Cemetery.*





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

All are welcome for light refreshment at
The Coopers, 127 Leeming Lane North,
Mansfield Woodhouse NG19 9HR.

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