Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of

Miles Lindsay Robertson

10th June 1953 - 23rd October 2026



St Dubricius' Church, Porlock
Saturday 14th November 2026
at 12.00 noon



Order of Service

Opening Music

Sleepers Awake

J. S. Bach

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Hymn

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways;
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise,
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,
Rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love!
Interpreted by love!

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,
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,
O still, small voice of calm.

Tribute

Music for Reflection

Blackbird
The Beatles

Reading

Psalm 121

Address

Reverend Ann Gibbs



Poem

Death Is Nothing At All
by Henry Scott Holland

Death is nothing at all.
I have only slipped away to the next room.
I am I and you are you.
Whatever we were to each other,
That, we still are.

Call me by my old familiar name,
Speak to me in the easy way
Which you always used.
Put no difference into your tone,
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.

Laugh as we always laughed
At the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me. Pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household word
That it always was.
Let it be spoken without effect,
Without the trace of a shadow on it.

Life means all that it ever meant.
It is the same that it ever was.
There is absolute unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind
Because I am out of sight?

I am but waiting for you.
For an interval.
Somewhere. Very near.
Just around the corner.

All is well.

Music for Reflection

Annie's Song
John Denver

Prayers

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

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.
All things bright...

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning
That brightens up the sky.
All things bright...

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one.
All things bright...

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

Commendation and Committal

Blessing

Closing Music

Have I Told You Lately

Van Morrison





Ros, Iain and Alastair would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of sympathy and for being here today.

After the service, everyone is welcome to
The Castle, High Street, Porlock,
for light refreshments and to share memories of Miles.

Donations in Miles' memory will benefit
Dementia UK
and can be given as you leave the church or
via the tribute page on the Funeral Home website.

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