

*To Celebrate the Life  
of*



# Margaret Ellis MBE

19th August 1928 - 2nd March 2025

The Church of St Mary Magdalene,  
Sutton in Ashfield at 1.00 pm  
and afterwards at  
Mansfield and District Crematorium  
Tuesday 25th March 2025 at 2.00 pm



# Order of Service



**Entrance Music**  
Voluntary  
played by the organist

**Welcome and Introduction**



## 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 in death's dark vale,  
Yet will I fear no ill;  
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished  
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)*



## **Bible Reading**

John, Chapter 15: verses 9-15  
read by Father Michael Dobbs

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.”





## **Memories of Margaret**

by Simon Ellis

## **Address**

by Reverend Julie Cotterill



**Prayers**  
*followed by*  
**The Mothers' Union Prayer**

Loving Lord,

We thank you for your love so freely given to us all.

We pray for the families around the world.

Bless the work of the Mothers' Union  
as we seek to share your love through  
the encouragement, strengthening and support  
of marriage and family life.

Empowered by your Spirit,  
may we be united in prayer and worship,  
and in love and service reach out  
as your hands across the world.

In Jesus' name.

**Amen.**



**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.**  
**Lead us not into temptation.**  
**But deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom,**  
**The power and the glory,**  
**Forever and ever.**  
**Amen.**



## Commendation

### 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 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.

*John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)*





**Closing Prayer**

**Exit Music**

Voluntary  
played by the organist





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  
**Magdalene Community Centre.**

Donations in memory of Margaret for the  
**Multiple Sclerosis Society**  
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