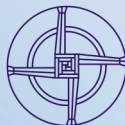


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Organ Prelude

*Minister I am the Resurrection and I am the Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die.
And everyone who has life, and is committed to me in faith,
shall not die forever. JOHN 11:25-26*

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. LAMENTATIONS 3.22,23*

*I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end
he will stand upon the earth. Job 19.25*

*I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,
nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. ROMANS 8.38-39*

Eulogy

NIGEL NICHOLAS (SON)

Hymn Kaakum Karangal Undenakku

TAMIL HYMN

1.காக்கும் கரங்கள் உண்டெனக்கு
காத்திடுவார் கிருபையாலே
அல்லேலூயா பாடிப்பாடி
அலைகளை நான் தாண்டிடுவேன்

நம்பி வா இயேசுவை!
நம்பி வா இயேசுவை!

2. நிந்தனைகள் போராட்டம் வந்தும்
நீதியின் தேவன் தாங்கினாரே
நேசக்கொடி என் மேல் பறக்க
நேசர் உமக்காய் ஜீவித்திடுவேன்

3. கன்மலைகள் பெயர்க்கும் படியாய்க்
கர்த்தர் என்னைக் கரம் பிடித்தார்
காத்திருந்து பெலன் அடைந்து
கழுகு போல எழும்பிடுவேன்

PIANIST JOY SHANTHIKUMAR (NIECE)

1.kaakkum karangal unndenakku
kaaththiduvaar kirupaiyaalae
allaelooyaa paatippaati
alaikalai naan thaannididuvaen

nampi vaa Yesuvai!
nampi vaa Yesuvai!

2. ninthanaikal poraattam vanthum
neethiyin thaevan thaanginaarae
naesakkoti en mael parakka
naesar umakkaay jeeviththiduvaen

3. kanmalaikal peyarkkum patiyaayk
karththar ennaik karam pitiththaar
kaaththirunthu pelan atainthu
kaluku pola elumpiduvaen

Opening Prayers

Minister *The Lord be with you.*

People **And also with you.**

Minister *Let us pray.*

*God of all consolation, in your unending love and mercy,
you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life.*

Show compassion to your people in their sorrow.

*Be our refuge and our strength to lift us from the darkness of grief
to the peace and light of your presence.*

*Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying for us,
conquered death and by rising again, restored life.*

*May we then go forward eagerly to meet him,
and after our life on earth be reunited with our brothers and sisters
where every tear will be wiped away.*

We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen

Psalm 23 (TOGETHER)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Reading: Ecclesiastes 3: 1-4

READ BY INDRANI GANESHAGURU (SISTER)

After the reading:

Reader *The word of the Lord. All Thanks be to God.*

Reading: John 14: 1-3

READ BY RANJIRANI RAJARATNAM (SISTER)

After the reading:

Reader *The word of the Lord. All Thanks be to God.*

Reflection

CANON STEPHEN PEAKE

The Apostles' Creed

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting Amen

Prayers of Intercession

Minister God of grace and glory, we thank you for Chella. We thank you for the friendship she gave and for the strength and peace she brought. We thank you for the love she offered and received while she was with us. We pray that nothing good in Chella's life will be lost but will continue to bear fruit.

People Hear us, Lord.

Minister We ask you that all of us may be deeply conscious of your promise to be faithful to us in death.

People Hear us, Lord.

Minister We pray for each other; may we know the comfort which comes from our faith in the risen Christ.

People Hear us, Lord.

Minister Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with Chella's family, in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may have confidence in your goodness and strength to meet the days to come. May they find hope and comfort in you.

People Hear us, Lord.

Minister Grant us grace to entrust Chella to your never-failing love which sustained her in this life. In your mercy, remember her according to the favour you bear for your

people. We ask this in the name of the risen Lord. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

All **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 **How Great Thou Art**

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder,
consider all the worlds thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy pow'r thru'out the universe displayed.

REFRAIN: **Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
 how great thou art! How great thou art!
 Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
 how great thou art! How great thou art!**

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. **REFRAIN**

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" **REFRAIN**

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The Commendation

All Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all;
and we are mortal, formed of the earth,
and to earth shall we return.

For so did you ordain when you created me, saying,
"You are dust, and to dust you shall return."

All of us go down to the dust;
yet even at the grave we make our song:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Prayer of Commendation

Minister *Into your hands, O merciful Saviour, we commend your servant Chella
Acknowledge, we pray, a sheep of your own fold,
a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming.
Receive her into the arms of your mercy,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and into the glorious company of the saints in light.*

Hymn **Onward Christian Soldiers**

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus going on before!
 Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;
 Forward into battle, see his banners go!

REFRAIN *Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus going on before!*

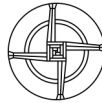
Like a mighty army moves the Church of God:
 Brothers, we are treading where the Saints have trod.
 We are not divided, all one body we:
 One in hope and doctrine, one in charity.

REFRAIN

Onward, then, ye people, join our happy throng;
 Blend with ours your voices in the triumph song.
 Glory, laud, and honor unto Christ, the King:
 This through countless ages men and angels sing.

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 ARTHUR MCGLASHAN
 JOY SHANTHIKUMAR
 HEATHER LOWE



Interment will be directly following the service
 at Glen Oaks Cemetery
 3164 Ninth Line, Oakville
 A reception back at St. Bride's Church will follow.

Committal Service at the Graveside



Minister *Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me. John 6.37*

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit. Romans 8.11

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. Psalm 16.9

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. Psalm 16.11

Minister *In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to almighty God our sister Chella and we commit her body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust.*

*The Lord bless her and keep her, the Lord make his face to shine upon her and be gracious to her, the Lord lift up his countenance upon her and give her peace. **Amen***

Minister *Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord.*
People **And let light perpetual shine upon her.**

Minister *May her soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen***

The Blessing

Minister *May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen***

Minister *Go forth in the name of Christ.*
People **Thanks be to God.**