

*In loving memory of*

# *Clyde Charles Leslie Mitchell*

*13 January 1942 – 21 January 2022*



*"Your presence we miss, your memory we treasure,  
loving you always, forgetting you never"*

*St Luke's Church, Ekibin  
Friday 28 January at 2pm*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Please stand as you are able to sing the hymn.*

*Hymn: Here I am Lord*

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord.*

*Is it I, Lord?*

*I have heard You calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord,*

*if You lead me.*

*I will hold Your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne My people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
**till their hearts are satisfied.**  
I will give My life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*From Isaiah 6, Daniel Schutte © 1981 OCP Publications*

*A welcome is offered by the Rev'd Dr Timothy Nicholson.*

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.

*(Response)* And also with you.

*Sentences of scripture.*

'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord.  
'Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet will they live.'

*John 11.25*

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*

Let us pray.

Loving God, you alone are the source of life.  
May your life-giving Spirit **f**low through us,  
and **f**ill us with compassion, one for another.  
In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace;  
kindle our hope, and let our grief give way to joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## EULOGIES AND TRIBUTES

*Eulogy: Leigh Mitchell and Stacey O'Dea*

*Poem: "God's Garden", read by Hannah and Eva Mitchell*

God looked around his garden  
And found an empty place,  
He then looked down upon the earth  
And saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
God's garden must be beautiful,  
He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering,  
He knew you were in pain;  
He knew that you would never  
Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough  
And the hills were hard to climb,  
So he closed your weary eyelids  
And whispered, 'Peace be thine.'

It broke our hearts to lose you,  
But you didn't go alone,  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home.

*D W McConway*

*Photographic tribute.*

*During this, Gail Leask, Jan Quinn, Ellen Lutton and Anna Harvey will sing  
"Make me a channel of your peace" (Sebastian Temple)*

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*A reading from the book of Psalms read by Greg Rodger*

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters;  
he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil;  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff—  
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
my whole life long.

*Psalm 23*

Hear the Word of the Lord:  
(Response) Thanks be to God.

*A reading from the Gospel of John read by Honor Lawler*

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go

and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

*John 14:1-6*

Hear the Word of the Lord:

*(Response)* Thanks be to God.

*The Sermon (The Rev'd Dr Timothy Nicholson)*

*Please stand as you are able to sing the hymn.*

*Hymn: I heard the voice of Jesus say*

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Come unto Me and rest;  
lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
thy head upon My breast':  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
weary, and worn, and sad;  
**I found in Him a resting**-place,  
and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Behold, I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one,  
stoop down and drink, and live':  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'I am this dark world's light;  
look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright':  
I looked to Jesus and I found  
in Him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk  
**till travelling days are done.**

*Horatius Bonar (1808-89)*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Prayers are offered by the minister, concluding with the Lord's Prayer, said together:*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.

**Save us from the time of trial**

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

## THE PRAYER OF FAREWELL

*Please stand as you are able.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave new birth to our brother Clyde  
by water and the Spirit.

Grant that his death may recall to us  
your victory over death,  
and be an occasion for us

to renew our trust in your Father's love.

Give us, we pray, the faith to follow  
where you have led the way,

to live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
to the ages of ages. Amen.

Let us entrust our brother Clyde to the mercy of God.

Holy and loving Father,

by your mighty power you gave us life,  
and in your love you have given us new life in Christ Jesus.

We entrust Clyde to your merciful keeping:

in the faith of Jesus Christ,

who died and rose again to save us,

and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit  
in glory for ever. Amen.

## THE COMMITTAL

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
you have given us a sure and certain hope  
of the resurrection to eternal life.

In your keeping are all who have departed in Christ.  
We here commit the body of our dear brother Clyde to be cremated  
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who died, and was buried, and rose again for us,  
and who shall change our mortal body  
that it may be like his glorious body.

*(Response)* Thanks be to God who gives us the victory  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace. Amen  
Go in peace in the name of Christ. Amen

*Music as the coffin is carried to the hearse:*

*"You'll never walk alone" (Gerry and the Pacemakers)*

*Clyde's family sincerely thank you for your prayers, support,  
friendship and gathering with them here today*

*Please join us on the Parish Lawn to share  
refreshments and memories after the service*

*You are then invited to continue celebrating Clyde's life with Lynn  
and family at 16 Medina Street, Moorooka*



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