

In loving memory of
Joyce Bertram

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St Luke's Church, Ekibin
Friday 3 February 2023 at 10am

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please stand as you are able to sing the hymn.

Hymn: Make me a channel of your peace

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring Your love;
where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord;
and where there's doubt, true faith in You.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

*O Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of Your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving of ourselves that we receive;
and in dying that we're born to eternal life..

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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: Colin Bertram

Photographic tribute

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from the book of Psalms read by Peter Bertram

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 David Bertram

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 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 sister Joyce
by water and the Spirit.

Grant that her 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 sister Joyce 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 Joyce 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 sister Joyce 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

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?
Here I am, Lord...

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?
Here I am, Lord...



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