



Andrew Cosmo Lewis Duff Gordon

17th October 1933 - 24th April 2023

Funeral Service at St. Stephen's Church, Old Radnor
on Friday 19th May 2023 at 2.30pm

Service conducted by Rev. Tony Jardine
Organist - Mrs Ruth Jones



Order of Service

Before the Service

Organ:

Elgar, *Nimrod* from the *Enigma Variations*

Prelude and Fugue in G minor, Bach

Aria in D major, Bach

Ave Verum, Mozart

Oh Rest in the Lord, Mendelssohn

Entry

Largo, Handel

I Know that my Redeemer Liveth, Handel

Largo, *New World Symphony*, Dvořák

Sentences

Rev. Tony Jardine

Welcome

Bidding Prayer
Rev. Tony Jardine

Hymn - Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the King of Creation

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:
hast thou not seen
how thy heart's wishes have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
if to the end he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
sound from his people again:
gladly for ay we adore him.

Reading: *Hereford is Heaven*, by Geoffrey Bright, read by Ginny Arbuthnot

The sleeping land begins to stir,
The winter rest is o'er,
The wren and robin trill their notes,
The larks begin to soar;
And snowdrops peep from grassy banks,
To greet the lengthening day,
And soon it will be Candlemas,
When all good geese must lay.

And now the rich deep vale of Lugg
Will turn from red to green,
To mark where men have sown their corn
From Leominster to Presteigne;
And by mid-Lent in many a wood,
The palm and primrose bloom,
And hops send forth their tender shoots
Along the River Frome.

When bluebells cover Dinmore,
And lambs on Bradnor play,
The cuckoo comes to Orleton fair
To tell us it is May.
And if there be a Paradise,
It surely must be here,
When songs of birds and flowers, mark
The springtime of the year.

For I have travelled far and wide,
From China to Peru,
And seen the dawn in many lands,
The boundless oceans blue;
The towering peaks of India,
That seem to touch the sky,
God grant that I, when labours cease,
May rest, 'twixt Lugg and Wye.

Soloist: Lis Darwin, *Caro Mio Ben* by Giordani

Tribute - William Duff Gordon and Tom Duff Gordon

Hymn -*All people that on earth do dwell*

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
the God whom heav'n and earth adore,
from us and from the angel host
be praise and glory evermore.



Rhayader Male Voice Choir:
Calon Lan & Gwahoddiad

Tribute: Freddie Duff Gordon and Cosmo Duff Gordon

Address: Rev. Tony Jardine

Soloist: Lis Darwin, *An die Musik* by Schubert

Reading: *I Thank Thee God That I have Lived,*
read by Jack Duff Gordon

I thank thee God that I have lived
In this great world and known its many joys:
The songs of birds, the strongest sweet scent of hay,
And cooling breezes in the secret dusk;
The flaming sunsets at the close of day,
Hills and the lovely, heather-covered moors:
Music at night, and the moonlight on the sea,
The beat of waves upon the rocky shore
And wild white spray, flung high in ecstasy;
The faithful eyes of dogs, and treasured books,
The love of Kin and fellowship of friends
And all that makes life dear and beautiful.

I thank Thee too, that there has come to me
A little sorrow and sometimes defeat,
A little heartache and the loneliness
That comes with parting and the words 'Good-bye';
Dawn breaking after weary hours of pain
When I discovered that night's gloom must yield
And morning light break through to me again.
Because of these and other blessings poured
Unasked upon my wondering head,
Because I know that there is yet to come
An even richer and more glorious life,
And most of all, because Thine only Son
Once sacrificed life's loveliness for me,
I thank Thee, God, that I have lived.

Elizabeth Craven (1750-1828)

Prayers

Rev. Tony Jardine

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 - *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

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

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.

Exit Music: Rhayader Male Voice Choir
Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves (from Nabucco), Verdi

Committal at the Graveside

Prayers



Ce n'est rien de mourir, c'est affreux de ne pas vivre,
Victor Hugo, Les Misérables.



Donations if desired will be given to Welsh Air Ambulance
and St. Stephen's Church, Old Radnor.

The family would like to invite you to join them
following the service at Downton House, LD8 2RD.

Funeral arrangements by A.W. Hughes & Son, Gladestry.
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