



A Service to Celebrate
and Remember the life of

BETTY JEAN LILLEY

6 July 1925 to
13 February 1997

19 February 1997

St Paul's Anglican Church, Ringwood
Vicar: The Reverend Heather Marten

Order of Service

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Hymn:

Praise my soul the king of heaven

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| 1 Praise, my soul, the king of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
praise the everlasting King! | 3 Father-like he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
widely as his mercy flows! |
| 2 Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
glorious in his faithfulness! | 4 Frail as summer's flower we flourish,
blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
praise the high eternal one! |
- 5 Angels, help us to adore him,
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
praise with us the God of Grace!

Henry Francis Lyte based on Psalm 103

We have come together to give thanks to God for the life of Betty Jean Lilley, mother, friend, grandmother, sister, relative; to honour her memory, above all to give thanks to God for her life amongst us.

We remember her as a vital, warm-hearted and giving woman, with a zest for life and love of people; we celebrate her faith, her strength, her friendship and her love.

We come here also to express our sympathy with those who will mourn her, especially Diane, Faye and Graeme, Baden and their families, conscious of their loss; and to pray that they may find support and strength in days to come.

We come together also to affirm the Christian conviction that while death is the end of human life it marks a new beginning in our relationship with God. Therefore in faith and hope we turn to God who created and sustains us all.

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

The people may join with the minister in saying

[Let us pray]

**Loving God, you alone are the source of life.
May your life-giving Spirit flow through us.
Grant us your 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.**

Family and friends tribute: Keith Crellin

The Pirls: *All through the night*

Probus in Ringwood Lady Singers was founded by Betty Lilley. They offer these two songs as their tribute to her.

Readings:

John 14. 1-6 Graeme Lilley
Romans 8. Baden Chadwick

Address:

Silence for quiet reflection

The Pirls: *Pokarekare Ana*

Prayers:

Let us pray with confidence to God our Father,
who raised Jesus Christ from the dead for the salvation of all.

God our Father,
we thank you that you have made each of us in your own image,
and given us gifts and talents with which to serve you.
We thank you for Betty

the years we shared with her,
the good we saw in her.

Now give us strength and courage to leave her in your care,
and confident in your promise of eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Merciful God,
we pray for Betty's family and friends,
remembering especially Diane and Peter, Shannon, Bridget, Faye,
Graeme and Jenny, Alexander, Samuel, Jordan and Courtney, Baden,
Peter and Robert and their families,
whose sense of loss is so keen.
When we cannot understand the things that happen,
and are weighed down by grief and loneliness,
uphold us by your love.
Give us a patient faith in this time of darkness and confusion,
and the assurance of your constant care,
that we may have courage for the days ahead.
through Jesus Christ our friend. **Amen.**

Gracious God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
we thank you that you received Betty by baptism
into the family of your church on earth,
and granted her the gift of eternal life.
She ate with us the bread of life
and drank from the cup of salvation.

Preserve among us the good of her example,
and keep us in the way of truth,
until we come to your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us we are confident to pray
**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.****

*As we come now to the prayers of farewell and committal Betty's grandchildren
will bring forward posies of flowers from her garden in tribute to a much loved
Nana.*

The Farewell:

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave new birth to our sister Betty
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 Betty to the mercy of God
**Holy and loving God,
by your mighty power you gave us life,
and in your love you have given us new life in Christ Jesus.
We entrust Betty 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.****

Go forth, dear sister, on your journey from this world,
in the name of God who created you;
in the name of Jesus Christ who suffered for you;
in the name of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you;
in communion with the blessed saints,
and aided by angels and archangels and all the heavenly host.
**May your portion this day be in peace,
and your dwelling in the heavenly Jerusalem. **Amen.****

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 Betty
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.

Thanks be to God who gives the victory
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift us his countenance upon you,
and give you peace.

Amen.

*During the singing of the hymn the coffin will be carried from the church.
Betty's family will follow the coffin to the hearse and meet you in the hall for
refreshments.*

Hymn:

At the name of Jesus

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| 1 At the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
King of Glory now:
'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty Word. | 3 Name him, brothers, name him
with love as strong as death,
but with awe and wonder
and with bated breath:
he is God the Saviour,
he is Christ the Lord,
ever to be worshipped,
trusted and adored. |
| 2 Humbled for a season
to receive a name
from the lips of sinners
unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it
spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious
when from death he passed. | 4 In your hearts enthrone him,
there let him subdue
all that is not holy,
all that is not true;
crown him as your Captain
in temptation's hour,
let his will enfold you
in its light and power. |
| 5 Brothers, this Lord Jesus
shall return again
with his Father's glory,
with his angel train:
for all wreaths of empire
meet upon his brow,
and our hearts confess him
King of Glory now. | |

*Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall following the service. We
hope you will be able to stay.*

*In the next few weeks the ashes of Betty Jean Lilley will be interred at Kew
General Cemetery.*

