



Holy Trinity Church, Guildford



Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of

Keith John Hester

20th June 1937 – 3rd March 2008

Funeral Service: Thursday 13th March 2008 at 3 pm

Service conducted by Canon Robert Cotton

ORGANIST: GRAHAM THORP

BEFORE THE SERVICE

ORGAN

Vierne: from 24 Pieces en style libre Op. 31, Livre II: Scherzetto, Lied & Berceuse

ORGAN

Fugue in G minor (BWV 542) JS Bach

WELCOME

HYMN

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.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered loves confess
The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy stillness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm!

OPENING PRAYER

EULOGY

"Keith, a friend and brother..." from his sister, Joan.

A Few Words from one of his daughters, Sarah.

CHOIR

Ave Verum Corpus – Elgar

READING

Lawrence Sheldon

TRIBUTE

Richard Baldey

HYMN

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
Even for His own Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me; and Thy rod
And staff my comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forevermore
My dwelling place shall be.

ADDRESS

Canon Robert Cotton

PRAYERS

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.

CHOIR

Ave Verum Corpus – Mozart

HYMN

Guide me, O thou great redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer;
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee.

THE COMMITTAL

ORGAN

Mendelssohn: Fugue from Sonata No 2 in C minor

**The family would like to invite you to stay for refreshments in the
Parish Hall after the service.**

The name Keith is of Scottish and Gaelic origin. Its meaning is "woodland, forest". The family name of hereditary Earls Marshals of Scotland from the 11th Century.

Donations in memory of Keith can be made on-line to the
Lymphoma Research Trust
<http://www.justgiving.com/keithhester> or
The Woodland Trust
<http://www.justgiving.com/keithhesterwoodlandtrust>

Donations can also be left in the envelope provided, or
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Surrey GU23 7EU. *(Please indicate if you are a UK Taxpayer so
that gift aid can be reclaimed.)*

**We are most grateful to members of the Vivace
Chorus, (of which Keith was a member), Conductor
Jeremy Backhouse, and to all our friends who have
given so generously of their time.**