A Service of Thanksgiving and Celebration for the Life of **Melvyn Marckus**

1st January 1944 – 7th March 2023



Thursday 21st September 2023 at 11.30am

> St Bride's Church Fleet Street London EC4



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Introit

God be in my head - Henry Walford Davies

Welcome & Opening Prayer

The Rector

Hymn

He who would valiant be

He who would valiant be 'gainst all disaster, let him in constancy follow the Master.

There's no discouragement shall make him once relent his first avowed intent to be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round with dismal stories, do but themselves confound his strength the more is. No foes shall stay his might, though he with giants fight: he will make good his right to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend us with thy Spirit, we know we at the end shall life inherit. Then fancies flee away! I'll fear not what men say, I'll labour night and day to be a pilgrim.

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 3. 1-13 Read by Remy Marckus

Choir

Panis angelicus – César Franck

First Address

Alan Parker

Choir

Ave verum corpus – Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Second ReadingExtract from *The Great Gatsby* – F. Scott Fitzgerald Read by Ella Marckus-Draffan

Hymn

Morning has broken

Morning has broken, like the first morning; blackbird has spoken, like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's re-creation of the new day!

Third Reading

Fishing
Written and read by Nat Marckus

Choir

Let the river run - Carly Simon arr. Josh Daniels

Second Address

George Pitcher

Choir

Toreador march from Carmen – Georges Bizet

Prayers

The Rector

Hymn

Jerusalem

And did those feet in ancient time walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of God on England's pleasant pastures seen?
And did the countenance divine shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here among those dark satanic mills?

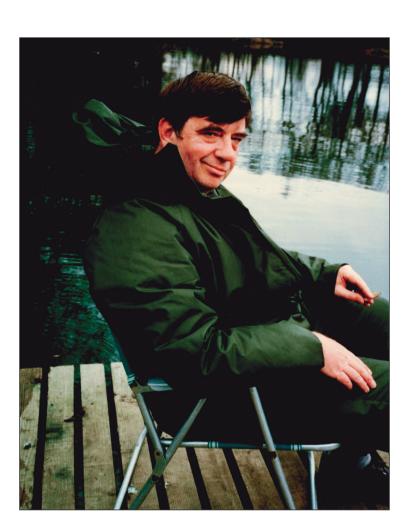
Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
till we have built Jerusalem
in England's green and pleasant land.

Blessing

The Rector

Organ Voluntary

Love theme from The Godfather - Nino Rota



The retiring collection will be divided between St Bride's Church & Smile Train, which funds lifesaving treatment for children around the world suffering from cleft lips and palates

There will be a reception following the Service at the Humble Grape, 1 St Bride's Passage, London EC4Y 8EJ

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