



A Service of Thanksgiving & Celebration for the life of

# Wendy Mathews

2<sup>nd</sup> April 1948 – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022

THE CHURCH OF ST PETER  
CHURCH KNOWLE

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August  
11.30am

# *ORDER OF SERVICE*

Organist:

Mrs Sue Lewis

## **Entry Music**

Bridge over troubled waters, *Simon & Garfunkel*

## **The Welcome**

The Reverend Anne Bond

## **Opening Prayer**

## **Debbie and Sam's Tribute to their Mum**

Read by Debbie

## **Bible Reading**

1 John 4: 7 - 12

## Hymn

*This was played at Wendy & David's wedding and David's funeral*

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,  
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yes, though I walk through death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear none ill;  
for thou art with me, and thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou has furnished  
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 for evermore  
my dwelling place shall be.

## **Address**

The Reverend Anne Bond

## **Poem**

‘Our Mum’

Although you cannot hear her voice  
or see her smile no more,  
your mother walks beside you still  
just as she did before.  
She listens to your stories and  
she wipes away your tears;  
she wraps her arms around you  
and she understands your fears.

It's just she isn't visible  
to see with human eye,  
but talk to her in silence and  
her spirit will reply.  
You'll feel the love she has for you  
you'll hear her in your heart;  
she's left her human body but  
your souls will never part.

## Hymn

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!  
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour;  
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

## **Prayers & The Lords Prayer**

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.

## **Commendation**

## **Blessing**

## **Exit Music**

Nessun Dorma, *Luciano Pavarotti*



*This service will be followed by interment in the Cemetery  
with her late husband David.*

Donations in memory of Wendy for Corfe Castle Surgery may be sent to Albert Marsh Funeral Directors, St Michaels Road, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4QU.

Or made online at: [www.funeraldirector.co.uk/wendy-mathews](http://www.funeraldirector.co.uk/wendy-mathews)

Wendy's family wish to thank you for all your support, kind messages of sympathy and for attending this Service of Celebration.

You are all warmly invited for a refreshment at Corfe Castle Village Hall following this service.







David & Wendy  
*Together Again*