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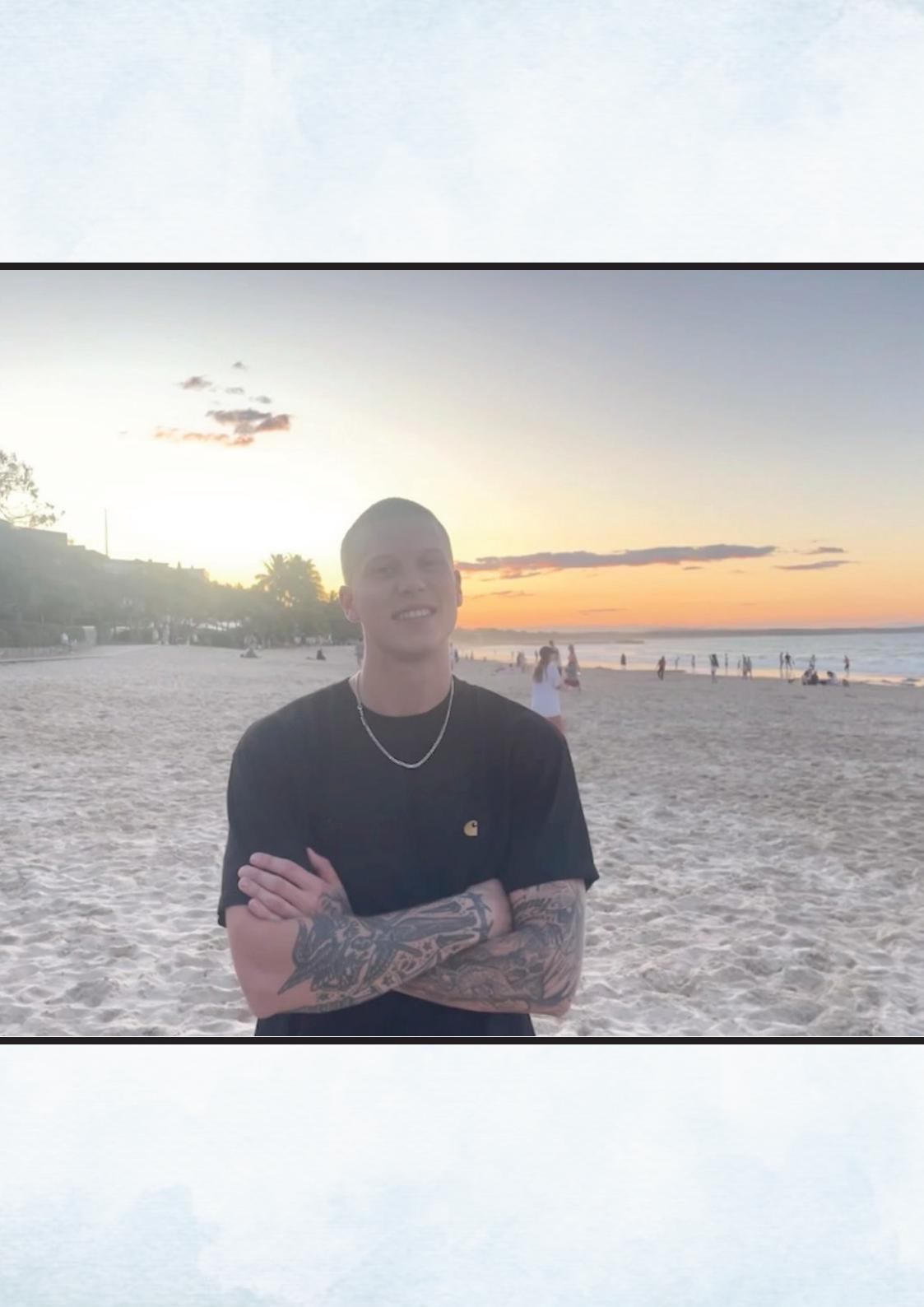
Connor James McKee

4TH JANUARY 2001 ~ 4TH DECEMBER 2025



ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL, VICTORIA

WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2025



Order of Service

Welcome and Introduction

Reverend Jim Pilmer PSM OAM OStJ

Hymn

In The Bulb There Is A Flower

In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!

In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness
bringing hope to you and me.

From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.

In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

Personal Reflections from Connor's siblings

Ashleigh McKee

Hayley McKee

Finn McKee

Photo Reflection

Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness – played by Connor McKee

Photos – Tonight Tonight – The Smashing Pumpkins
Iris – The Goo Goo Dolls

Readings

The Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and no torment shall touch them.

They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead;
and their passing away was thought an affliction
and their going forth from us, utter destruction.
But they are in peace.

For if before men, indeed, they be punished,
yet is their hope full of immortality;
Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed,
because God tried them

and found them worthy of himself.
As gold in the furnace, he proved them,
and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

In the time of their visitation they shall shine,
and shall dart about as sparks through stubble;
They shall judge nations and rule over peoples
and the Lord shall be their King forever.

Those who trust in him shall understand truth,
and the faithful shall abide with him in love:
Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones,
and his care is with his elect.

St John's Gospel 14: 1-6

Jesus said to His disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me, so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said: “Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” Jesus said, “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.”

Prayers

The Lord's 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.

The Commendation

Hymn

Gather Up My Soul In Your Mercy

Gather up my soul in your mercy
Bring me to my heavenly home
Draw me to the Light of Ages
And the peace your saints have known
God the Father, you are with me.
God the Father, hear my prayer.

Prayers to Christ the King now ascending.
Water cleansing in your name.
Incense rising, angels descending,
Your forgiveness to proclaim.
Son of Mary, you are with us.
Son of Mary, hear our prayer.

God is with us, His love unites us,
Strengthens us in life's darkest days.
Tears will fade as His hope invites us
To discover life in new ways
Holy Spirit, be our Comforter
Holy Spirit, hear our prayer

The Blessing





We thank you most sincerely for
your comforting thoughts which have been
a great support in this time of sorrow.

Following the service everyone is welcome to join the family
to further celebrate Connor's life at the
Palace Hotel, 893 Burke Road, Camberwell,
in the 1888 Bar located upstairs from 11.30am onwards.



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