

Celebration for the life of

WILLIAM RONALD GOULD 'RON'

21st September 1932 – 23rd June 2026



Toorak Uniting Church

Thursday 2nd July 2026

Rev. Sylvia Akauola – Tongotongo

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome

Rev. Sylvia Akauola - Tongotongo

Hymn

Immortal Invisible

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains soaring above,
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree,
And wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render, O help us to see:
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

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Eulogies

Douglas Gould
Andrew Gould
Amanda Johns

Video Tributes

Georgina Gould
Grace Kenyon
Lachlan Gould

Photo Tribute

‘Prelude’,
from Verdi’s La Traviata

*“Ah, let’s enjoy the cup, the cup and the chants,
The embellished night and the laughter;
Let the new day find us in this paradise...”*

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me
beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine
enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my
life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Reading

Crossing the Bar

Lord Tennyson

Read by Ian Gould

Gospel

John 14, 1-6

Pastoral Statement

Rev. Sylvia Akauola - Tongotongo

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Hymn

Lord of the Dance

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and danced on earth,
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,
The holy people said it was a shame;
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
And they left me there on a cross to die.

Refrain

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone.
But I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain

They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Refrain

Final Words and Blessing

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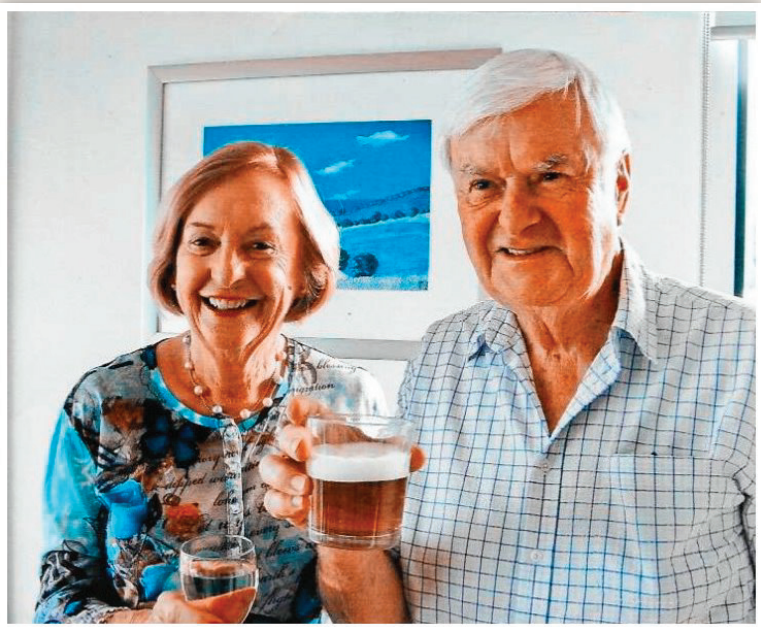
Recessional

Beethoven Symphony No. 5 II
Andante con moto

Ron's family wish to thank you most sincerely
for your attendance here today.

Your expressions of sympathy and support
have been a great comfort to them at this time.

Following the completion of the service,
you are warmly invited to join us for
light refreshments in the Faichney Room.



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