

A Service of Thanksgiving
for the life of
William John Horsley Jackson
4 March 1930 – 12 May 2026



20 May 2026 at 2pm
St James' Anglican Church Ivanhoe

GREETING AND WELCOME

The Reverend Mike McNamara

Grace and peace from the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Please stand to sing

HYMN

1 Praise, my soul, the king of hea - ven; to his feet thy
tri - bute bring; ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - gi - ven,
who like me his praise should sing? Praise him, praise him,
al - le - lu - ia, praise the e - ver - las - ting king!

2
Praise him for his grace and favour
to our people in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless:
praise him, praise him, alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.

3
Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
praise him, praise him, alleluia,
widely as his mercy flows!

4
Frail as summer's flower we flourish,
blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Praise him, praise him, alleluia,
praise the high eternal one!

5
Angels, help us to adore him,
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
praise him, praise him, alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847) alt.
Australian Hymn Book 68

INTRODUCTION

We have come together to thank God for the life of William John Horsley Jackson, to mourn and honour him, to lay to rest his mortal body, and to

support one another in grief. We face the certainty of our own death and judgement.

Yet Christians believe that those who die in Christ share eternal life with him. Therefore in faith and hope we turn to God, who created and sustains us all.

Various sentences of Scripture are read

OPENING PRAYER

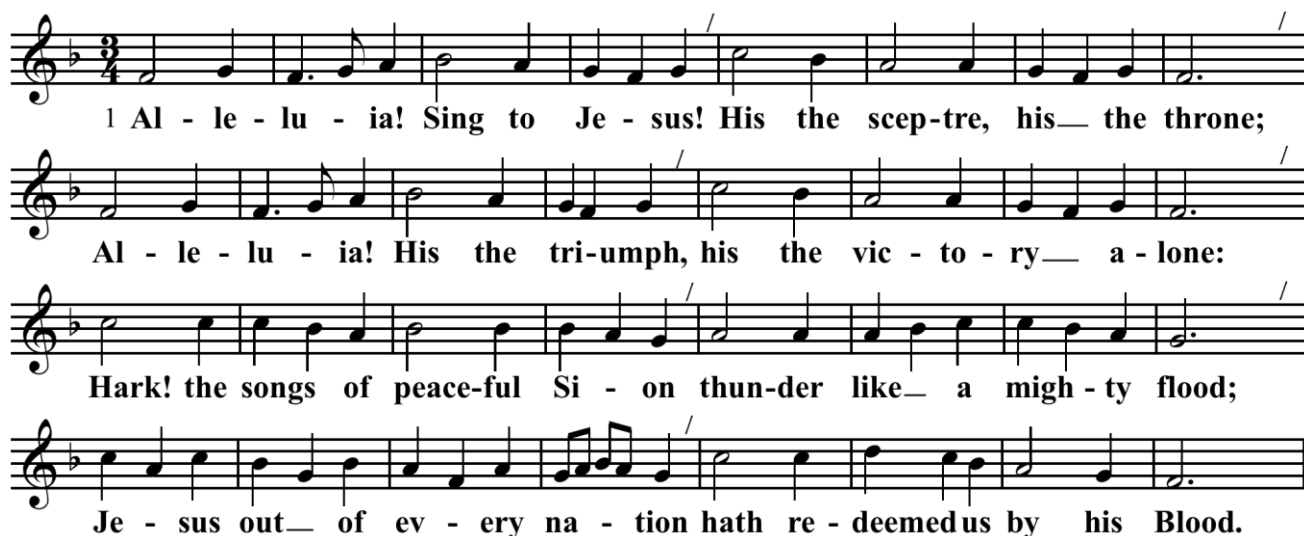
Loving God, you alone are the source of life. May your life giving Spirit flow through us, and fill us with compassion, one for another. In our sorrow give us the calm of your peace. Kindle our hope and let our grief give way to joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EULOGY

Pam Morton, Heather Patacca, John Jackson, Tim Dobson

Please stand to sing

HYMN



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep-tre, his— the throne;
Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri-umph, his the vic - to - ry— a - lone:
Hark! the songs of peace-ful Si - on thun-der like— a migh - ty flood;
Je - sus out— of ev - ery na - tion hath re - deemed us by his Blood.

2
Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now.
Alleluia! He is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud
from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3
Alleluia! Bread of angels
thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

**Alleluia! King eternal
thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! Born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the Eucharistic feast.**

William Chatterton Dix (1837–98)
Hymns Ancient and Modern Revised 399

THE BIBLE READING

Philippians 3.10-16, 20-21

Read by Anne Jackson

¹⁰ I want to know Christ – yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it.

But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things.

And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. ¹⁶ Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE REFLECTION

The Reverend Mike McNamara

Please sit or kneel for

THE PRAYERS

Led by the Reverend Mike McNamara

Concluding with

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father, which 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, forever and ever. Amen.

Please stand to sing

HYMN

1 To God be the glo-ry, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yiel-ded his life in a - tone-ment for sin and o-pened the life-gate that all may go in. *Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo-ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther, through Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo - ry! great things he has done!*

2

O perfect redemption,
the purchase of blood,
to every believer
the promise of God!
and every offender
who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus
a pardon receives.
Praise the Lord! ...

3

Great things he has taught us,
great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing
through Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher,
and greater will be
our wonder, our rapture,
when Jesus we see.
Praise the Lord! ...

Frances Jane van Alstyne (1820–1915) alt.
Together in Song 147

Please remain standing for

THE COMMENDATION

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave new birth
to our dear brother Bill by water and the Spirit.
Grant that his death may recall to us
your victory over death,
and be an occasion for us to renew our trust
in your Father's love.
Give us, we pray, the faith to follow
where you have lead the way,
to live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
to the ages of ages. Amen.

THE COMMITTAL

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
you have given us a sure and certain hope
of the resurrection to eternal life.
In your keeping are all who have departed in Christ.
We here commit the body of our dear brother William John Horsley Jackson
to be cremated
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who died, and was buried, and rose again for us,
and who shall change our mortal body
that it may be like his glorious body.

The congregation may join with the minister

**Thanks be to God who gives us the victory
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give
you peace; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be
among you and remain with you and those whom you love, this day and
always. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Sarabande, Keyboard Suite in D minor, HWV437.iv
George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

At the hearse

AFFIRMATION OF RESURRECTION HOPE

We shall not all die
but we shall be changed.
The trumpet shall sound and the dead will rise immortal
and we shall be changed.
The perishable must be clothed with the imperishable
and the mortal must be clothed with immortality.
We shall not all die
but we shall be changed.

1 Corinthians 15.51-54

Bill, go forth upon your journey from this world,
in the name of God the Father who created you. **Amen.**
In the name of Jesus Christ who suffered for you. **Amen.**
In the name of the Holy Spirit who strengthens you. **Amen.**
In communion with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host:

All respond

**May your portion this day be in peace
and your dwelling in the heavenly Jerusalem. Amen.**

*Thank for your attendance, love and support today.
All are warmly invited to join us for refreshments in the Parish Centre.*



OFFICIANT AND PREACHER: The Reverend Mike McNamara, Vicar.

ORGANIST: Peter Jackson.

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