



Athol William Agnew

3rd December 1932 – 1st November 2022

A Service to Celebrate the Life of

Athol

Held at St Stephens Anglican Church
3 Stanmore Bay Road, Whangaparaoa
Saturday, 5th November 2022 at 2pm

Minister – *Reverend Ian Hardcastle, Vicar*
Organist – *Mrs Teresa Huffam*

Pall Bearers

Gary Agnew	Danny Baldwin
Benjamin Agnew	Leo Baldwin
Jacob Agnew	Zara Baldwin

Order of Service

Welcome

Sentences

“Because he loves me,” says the LORD, “I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation.”

Psalm 91:14-16

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me.

Psalm 23:4

Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies.

John 11:25

God our Comforter,
you are a refuge and a strength for us,
a helper close at hand in times of distress.
Help us so to hear the words of our faith
that our fear is dispelled,
our loneliness eased and our hope reawakened.
**May your Holy Spirit lift us above our natural sorrow,
to the peace and light of your constant love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn - How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made.
I see the stars; I hear the mighty thunder:
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art. How great Thou art.
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And when I think that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in.
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died, to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,
And take me home what joy shall fill my heart.
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim my God how great Thou art.

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Tributes

Gary Agnew, Stuart Kaye, Karen Agnew, Robyn Masanga & family

The Lord's Prayer

With faith and hope, we pray:

Our Father, which art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive them

that 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.

Bible Readings

Psalm 23 (Asante Shoo)

2 Timothy 4:7-8 (Christine Taylor-Agnew)

Sermon

Prayers

Make your love known to them, that they may turn to you and receive comfort and strength. Help them to put their trust in you, and their hope in your grace and compassion.

Use us, Father,

as bearers of your love

to support them in their grief;

this we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray for a growing faith in Jesus Christ.
**God, the strength of all who believe in you,
increase our faith and trust in your Son,
that we may live victoriously
now and for ever. Amen.**

Let us pray for that hope which only God can give.
**Almighty God,
give us such a vision of your purpose,
and such an assurance of your love and power,
that we may ever hold fast the hope
which is in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Hymn – Abide With Me

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 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.
Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee:
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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The Commendation and Concluding Prayers

**Lord now you let your servant go in peace:
your word has been fulfilled.**

**My own eyes have seen the salvation:
which you have prepared in the sight of every people,
a light to reveal you to the nations:
and the glory of your people Israel.
Glory to the Father and to the Son:
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now:
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Bring us, O Lord God, at our last awakening
into the house and gate of heaven,
to enter into that gate and dwell in that house,
where there shall be no darkness nor dazzling, but one equal light;
no noise nor silence, but one equal music;
no fears nor hopes, but one equal possession;
no ends nor beginnings, but one equal eternity;
in the habitation of thy glory and dominion,
world without end. **Amen.**

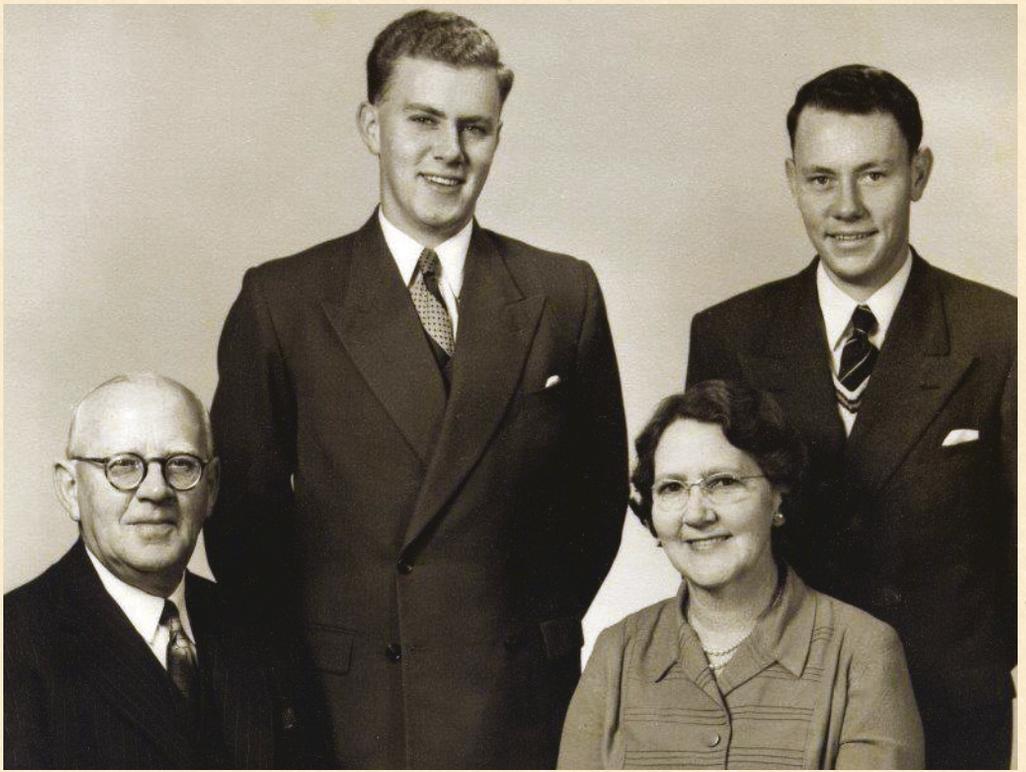
John Donne (d1631)

Recessional

*Baba Yetu
(The Lord's Prayer in Swahili)*

Refreshments

*Athol's family thank you for your love, support and presence
here today. At the conclusion of the service you are invited
to join us in the Parish Hall after the service.*





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