

THE FUNERAL SERVICE FOR
THE REVEREND
DR. ROGER HOWARD PRENTICE



MANNING MEMORIAL CHAPEL
Acadia University

Thursday, 21st April, 2022
2:00 p.m.

The choir this afternoon is comprised of former and current members of the Chapel Choir. Pandemic restrictions limit the number of choristers.

The hymns for the service were all selected and well loved by Roger.

Music before the service

Elegy George Thalben-Ball (1896–1987)

Prelude on Rhosymedre Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

An Wasserflusen Babylon BWV653 J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

Nimrod; from Enigma Variations Edward Elgar (1857–1934)

*The service is conducted by The Rev'd Dr. Marjorie Lewis,
Chaplain and Dean, Manning Memorial Chapel*

*And with much appreciation to the members of the Chapel Choir and
Director, John Scott.*

A reception follows in Fountain Commons, McConnell Hall.

*Interment will be held in Willowbank Cemetery, Wolfville, following the
reception and conducted by the Rev'd Glen Kent, Halifax, retired Anglican
priest and long-time friend.*

*There's a wideness in God's mercy
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*Who would true valour see
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*Christ triumphant, ever reigning
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Psalm 46

*The refrain shall be introduced by the choir, following which all are invited to sing
where indicated by **R***

R

One God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

All **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult. R**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

**God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.**

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
God's voice resounds, the earth melts.

**The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge. R**

Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations God has brought on the earth.

**The Lord makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
breaks the bow, shatters the spear;
burns the shields with fire.**

“Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth.”

**The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge. R**

Gloria Patri - pg 1

Refrain

A might - y for - tress is our God, a

ref - uge nev - er fail - ing.

Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning



Christ tri - um - phant, ev - er reign-ing, Sav - iour, Mas - ter, King!
 Word in - car - nate, truth re-veal-ing, Son of Man on earth!
 Suff - 'ring ser - vant scorned, ill-treat - ed, vic - tim cru - ci - fied!
 Priest - ly king, en-throned for ev - er high in heaven a - bove!
 So, our hearts and voic - es rais - ing through the ag - es long,



Lord of heav'n, our lives sus - tain-ing, hear us as we sing:
 power and maj - es - ty con - ceal-ing by your hum - ble birth:
 death is through the cross de - feat - ed, sin - ners just - i - fied:
 sin and death and hell shall nev - er sti - fle hymns of love:
 cease - less - ly up - on you gaz - ing, this shall be our song:



Yours the glo - ry and the crown, the



high re - nown, the e - ter - nal name!

Michael Seward (b. 1932)

John Barnard (b. 1948)

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude

John Scott, University Organist

please stand, as you are able, where indicated by †

APPROACH

† Choral Introit *Hail, Gladdening Light* John Stainer

† Entrance — Processional

† Call To Worship Rev'd Dr. Marjorie Lewis
University Chaplain

† Prayer of Invocation

† Hymn *There's a wideness in God's mercy* pg 6
 Hymnal 598

THE WORD PRESENTED

† Responsive Psalm 46 (Refrain 1) Rev'd Dr. John Churchill
friend and former colleague

Gloria Patri



Glory be to the father, and to the son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
 As it was in the ev - er shall be, World without end, A - men.
 beginning, is now and

♯ *All sit for the reading*

Old Testament Lesson *Isaiah 6: 1-9a* Dr. Jonathan Cottreau
former Chapel Assistant

The Choir *Yours, Lord, Is The Greatness* M. How

✚ The Apostles Creed (**Unison**)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again
 to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

Epistle *I John 4: 7-16a* Dr. Jason Williams
former Chapel Assistant

✚ Hymn *Who would true valour see* pg 7
 Hymnal 621

Gospel *St. John 4: 21-24* Rev'd Dr. John Churchill

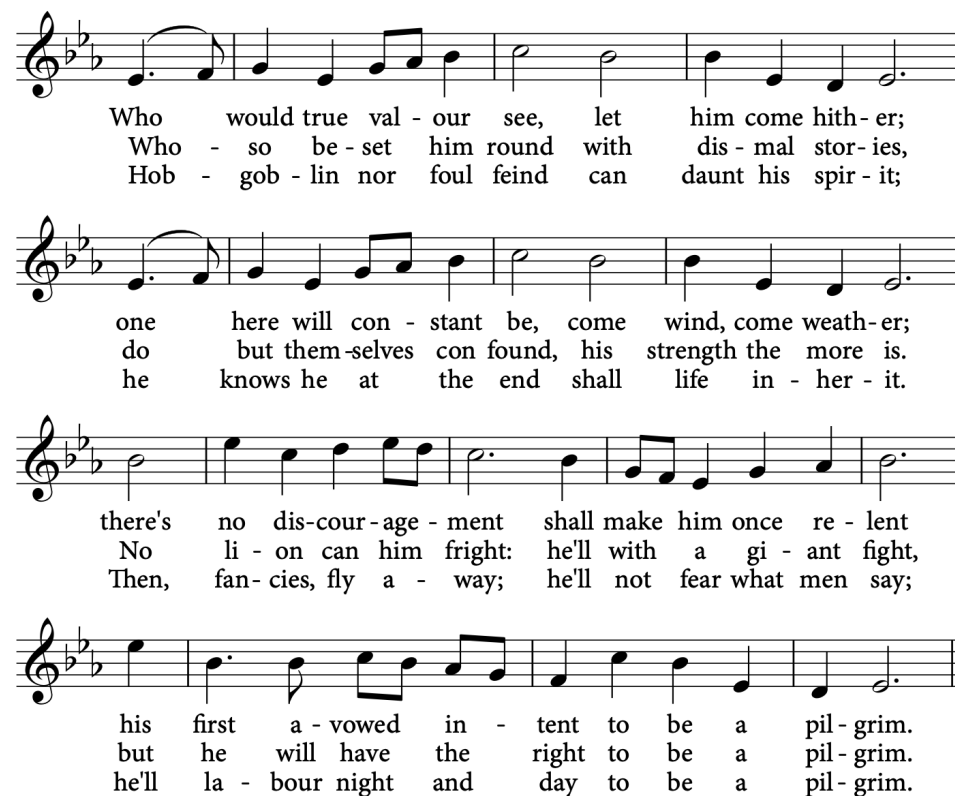
THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev'd Dr. Scott Kindred-Barnes
Minister, Wolfville Baptist Church

The Choir *I Give To You A New Commandment* P. Nardone

Who Would True Valour See



Who would true val - our see, let him come hith - er;
 Who - so be - set him round with dis - mal stor - ies,
 Hob - gob - lin nor foul feind can daunt his spir - it;
 one here will con - stant be, come wind, come weath - er;
 do but them - selves con found, his strength the more is.
 he knows he at the end shall life in - her - it.
 there's no dis - cour - age - ment shall make him once re - lent
 No li - on can him fright: he'll with a gi - ant fight,
 Then, fan - cies, fly a - way; he'll not fear what men say;
 his first a - vowed in - tent to be a pil - grim.
 but he will have the right to be a pil - grim.
 he'll la - bour night and day to be a pil - grim.

John Bunyan (1628-1688)

English trad.
 arr. R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
 MONK'S GATE

There's A Wideness In God's Mercy



There's a wide ness in God's mer - cy like the wide- ness of the
For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of man's
There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been
sea; there's a kind - ness in his
mind; and the heart of the E -
shed; there is joy for all the
jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
mem - bers in the sor - row of the Head.
There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more
But we make his love too nar - row by false
There is grace e - nough for thous - ands of new
④ If our love were but more sim - ple, we should
felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's
lim - its of our own; and we mag - ni - fy his
worlds as great as this; there is room for fresh cre -
take him at his word; and our lives would be all
fail - ings have such kind - ly judge - ment given.
strict - ness with a zeal he will not own.
a - tions in that up - per home of bliss. (to ④)
glad - ness in the joy of Christ our Lord.

Frederick William Faber (1862)

Maurice Bevan (b.1921)
CORVEDALE

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Rev'd John Boyd
*friend and former minister of
First Baptist Church Halifax*

The University Prayer (Unison)

Lord God of all wisdom, we pray for Acadia University, that she may be faithful to the purposes of our Founders, continue to promote the search for truth and knowledge, and be an inspiration to others who follow. May we be a community of scholars sharing this ambition, caring for one another, and loyal to the truth revealed to us as thy disciples. Amen.
(Written by Roger Prentice)

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

DISCIPLESHIP

Notices

Words of Condolence

Dr. Peter J. Ricketts, President and Vice-Chancellor
Acadia University

Rev'd Marlene Knowles, President
Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms (CABF)

✚ Hymn	<i>Christ triumphant, ever reigning</i>	pg 8
✚ Benediction		Hymnal 398
✚ The Choir	<i>Nunc Dimitis</i>	John Stainer
Organ Postlude	<i>Prelude and Fugue in C minor BWV 546</i>	J.S. Bach



The Reverend Dr. Roger Howard Prentice, a man of distinction and beloved by many for his kindness, probity, and sense of joy, died at home on April 8, 2022, at the age of 78. Born in Saint John, NB, he grew up in Halifax where he and his family were active in First Baptist Church. After receiving his BA from Dalhousie University in 1966, Roger went on to Acadia University, graduating with the BD degree in 1969. This began a life-long connection with Acadia that was recognized in 2008 when he received the degree Doctor of Humanities, Honora Causa, as a "dedicated scholar, friend, servant of and ambassador for Acadia University."

Roger had student pastorates in Advocate Harbour/Apple River and Truro Heights. In September 1969 he was ordained by First Baptist Church Halifax and became the Assistant Minister and Minister of Christian Education in First Baptist Church Amherst. Through camping, directing plays, managing a Church League hockey team and indefatigable outreach, Roger impacted many young people with whom he maintained contact for the rest of his life. This focus on providing interactive opportunities

for spiritual reflection and growth became a pattern for very successful ministries in Baptist Churches in St. Stephen, NB and Annapolis Royal, NS, culminating in his outstanding service to Acadia as University Chaplain for 22 years. Through daily services, annual Passion Plays, attendance at university events, sensitive counselling and his personal example of integrity, spirituality and Christian love, Roger made a significant and lasting contribution to the lives of thousands of students as well as staff.

Prior to coming to Acadia, in 1979, Roger began four years of study at Regent's Park College, Oxford, focusing on Baptist Church history, which led to another large circle of friends with whom he was in regular correspondence enhanced by occasional visits. His scholarly activity endured throughout his life. He read deeply and widely and wrote many articles and books.

Roger was an active member of the Wolfville Baptist Church, the Wolfville and Area Interchurch Council, the annual Christmas "Fezziwig" production, as well as offering advice, counsel, lectures, and sermons at a variety of Churches in Nova Scotia and beyond. He helped found the Atlantic Baptist Fellowship (now the Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms), which he served as President, Bulletin Editor and Credentials Committee Chair. For many years he was Chaplain to the Wolfville Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 74.

Roger's contribution to community was recognized in the bestowing of two important awards on him: the Queen's Jubilee Medal, 2012 and the Senate of Canada Sesquicentennial Medal, 2017.

After retiring, Roger concentrated his scholarly research in the Baptist Archives at Acadia which led to several publications. He submitted the draft of his most recent book to the publisher only a few days before his death. Many of his friends treasured another retirement project – the annual arrival of the Christmas publication of his "Mildred" stories. Roger was predeceased by his parents, Percy and Myra (Long) Prentice, and by his fiancée, Leanne Oickle. He is survived by several cousins.