ST ANDREW'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, KYRENIA, NORTH CYPRUS

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ANDREW FRASER-SMITH

Sunday 31 August 2025 9.00am

The Gathering

- V: Our beloved Andy died in 2024, and a light went out in our lives;
- R: But we are here to honour the light that he brought to us all.
- V: To say that light is stronger than darkness
- R: And hope is stronger than despair
- V: That our love for Andy, and the love we received from him
- R: Is stronger even than death
- V: We remember that the Light of Christ came into the world
- R: And that the darkness cannot overcome it

Opening Prayer

Our brother Andy has gone to his rest in the peace of Christ. May the Lord continue to welcome him to the table of God's children. With faith and hope in eternal life, let us assist him with our prayers.

Let us pray to the Lord also for ourselves.

May we who mourn be reunited one day with Andy.

Together may we meet Christ Jesus,

when he who is our life appears at last in glory.

Amen

Hymn 806 There's a wideness in God's mercy

(We read the words together)

Scripture Reading Romans 8:28-39
Gospel Reading John 14:1-7

Silent Reflection

<u>Intercessions</u>

V: Gracious Lord, forgive the sins of Andy, who died in Christ.

Remember all the good that he did.

And continue to welcome him into eternal life.

Lord, hear us

R: Lord, graciously hear us

V: We pray for those who mourn.

Especially Nicola, Toby and Zak.

For Nicola's wider family

and Andy's father, brother, and other relations.

Comfort them in their grief.

Lord, hear us R: Lord, graciously hear us

V: We pray for ourselves on our pilgrimage through life.

Keep us faithful in your service.

And kindle in our hearts a longing for heaven.

Lord, hear us R: Lord, graciously hear us

V: We pray in silence for those who are known to us;

They are known to you too, and you know their needs; Enfold all broken hearts in tenderness and compassion.

Lord, hear us R: Lord, graciously hear us

V: We place these prayers into the hands of our loving Father who provides us with every gift and holds us in life and death

R: Amen

The Peace

V: Jesus said 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you.

R: And also with you

The Offertory

V: May all who are called to a place at your table follow in the way that leads to the unending feast of life **Amen**

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

V: The Lord be with you R: And also with you

V: Lift up your hearts R: We lift them to the Lord

V: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

R: It is right to give thanks and praise

V: Father, you made the world and love your creation.

You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour

His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death

And so we gladly thank you

with saints and angels praising you, and saying

R: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might

heaven and earth are full of your glory;

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest

V: We praise and bless you, loving Father. . .

...until he comes in glory.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

R: Dying you destroyed our death Rising you restored our life Lord Jesus, come in glory

V: Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day. . .

. . . all honour and glory are yours, O Loving Father,

for ever and ever R: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

V: Let us pray with confidence, as our Saviour has taught us

R: Our Father. . .

The Breaking of Bread (Agnus Dei)

V: Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup

R: We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes

The Communion

Prayer after Communion

Loving God, from whom all life proceeds and by whose hand the dead are raised again, accept the thanks we offer, in sadness for your servant; deliver his soul from death, and number him among your saints; clothe him with the robe of salvation to enjoy forever the delights of your eternal kingdom **Amen**

The Dismissal

May God the Father, by whose love Christ raised from the dead, open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life, that the Holy Spirit may empower you, and fill you with Christ's peace; And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always **Amen**