# Waiwhetu Uniting Church, Lower Hutt Friday, 23 February 2024 at 11.00 am

Minister: Rev Graeme Munro Organist: Mr David Trott

## The Welcome and Gathering

### **Opening Prayer**

# Hymn

*These Hills* These hills where the hawk flies lonely, beaches where the long surf rolls, mountains where the snows meet heaven, *these are our care.* 

Pastures where the sheep graze calmly, orchards where the apple trees grow, gardens where the roses cluster, *these are our prayer*.

Forests where the tree ferns tower, rivers running strong and clear, seasons where the great whales wander, *these are our care*.

Race meeting race as equals, justice for age-old wrong, worth for every man and woman, *these are our prayer*.

Cities where the young roam restless, lives brought to deep despair, homeless and powerless people, *these are our care*.

Places where the Word is spoken, hands held in serving love, faiths of our many cultures, *these are our prayer*.

All that the old world gave us, all that the new world brings, language, ideas and customs, *these are our care.* 

Life finding joy and value, faith seeking truth and light, God heard and seen in all things, *this be our prayer*. *Colin Gibson*  **Eulogies** Dan McCool (Glenda's eldest grandson)

**Words of Remembrance and Sharing of Memories** Graham McCool (Glenda's eldest son)

# Hymn

And Can It Be That I Should Gain? And can it be that I should gain An interest in the Saviour's blood? Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! how can it be That Thou, my God, should'st die for me?

'Tis mystery all! the Immortal dies! Who can explore His strange design? In vain the first-born seraph tries To sound the depths of love divine! 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, Let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace; Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race; 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay Fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quickening ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him is mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, And clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach the eternal throne, And claim the crown, through Christ my own. *Charles Wesley* 

**First Reading –** *Psalm* **121 : 1 – 8** Leonie Kohika (Glenda's Daughter in Law)

**Gospel Reading** – *John* 13 : 16 and 14 : 1 – 4 Lynette McCool (Glenda's Daughter)

### Reflection

# Prayers of Thanksgiving Concluding with the Lord's Prayer

#### The Lord's Prayer

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 forever, Amen.

### The Committal and the Farewell

## Hymn

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Guide me, O my great Jehovah Pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty Hold me with your powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain Where the healing waters flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through, Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, Ever be my strength and shield, Ever be my strength and shield

When I tread the river Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside Death of death, and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Heaven's side. Song of praise, songs of praises, I will ever sing to you, I will ever sing to you. William Williams

The Benediction and The Sung Threefold sung Amen

The Recessional

A Service of Thanksgiving for



Glenda Eunice Smith

9 September 1939 ~ 17 February 2024

Memorial Book You are invited to sign the pages for the Memorial Book located in the foyer. This will serve as a permanent record of those present today.

# Invitation

The family wish to thank everyone who has come to share with them in giving thanks for Mum's life.

Please come and share a light luncheon in the Hall immediately following this service.

Cremation will follow in Akatarawa and you are welcome to join the family if you so wish.

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