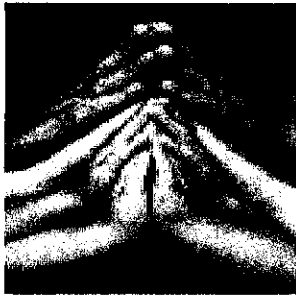


THE METHODIST CHURCH

Richmond & Hounslow Circuit



Service of Thanksgiving and Farewell
for
The Revd John Edward Davis

at Putney Methodist Church

on Sunday 18th July 2010 at 6.30pm

Preacher: The Revd Ron Smith

Organist: Jonathan Davies

CCL: 95086

Please join us for refreshments after the service



THE GATHERING



Introit for violin and piano by Gerald Finzi

Welcome & Announcements

Mike Newbold

The Entry of the Bible & Lighting of the Church candle

Please stand as you are able

Fran Moorhouse

The Greeting

Let us worship the Lord with Christians of every time and place.

Worship the Lord in faith.

For he is our constant and trustworthy God, the same yesterday, today and forever

Keith Rowbottom

Worship the Lord in hope.

For he is our saving and healing God, who brings his people from darkness into light

Worship the Lord in love

For he is our generous and merciful God, who blesses and nurtures all his saints

Let us worship the Lord together, with joy in our hearts.

HYMN 281 *Come down, O love divine*

Introduction

We have come together to offer our thanks for Jed, as he has shared his ministry with us. This is a time for looking back in gratitude and for looking forward in obedience and with rededication. Let us therefore prepare ourselves to listen for the Word of God and to make the response of faith and obedience.

Lord our God, you have called us in Christ to a life of fellowship in worship, witness and service. Help us, by your grace, to see the ways in which you have led us, to dedicate ourselves afresh to you and re-affirm our loyalty to each other, so that in us and through us the power and glory of your kingdom may be made known, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

The bible is taken from the Holy Table and placed at the lectern.

A Reading from the Prophets – Micah 6:6-8

Emma Aikins

Music - Mvt no 2, 'Loure', from Partita No. 3 in E, BWV 1006. J.S. Bach

Bronwen Fisher

A Reading from the Gospels – Matthew 25:31-40

Diane Wylie

HYMN 8 *How shall I sing that majesty*

Sermon

The Revd Ron Smith



THE RESPONSE

The Bible is returned from the lectern to the Holy Table

HYMN 548 *Give to me Lord a thankful heart*

Prayer of Confession

Jim McKinney

I confess to God and in the company of all God's people that my life and the life of the world are broken by my sin

May God forgive you, Christ renew you and the Spirit enable you to grow in love

We confess to God and in the company of all God's people that our lives and life of the world are broken by our sin.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you and the Spirit enable you to grow in love. **Amen**

The Peace

Jim McKinney

Please stand as you are able

Having been made one by our Peace-maker, let us live together in peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you

All are invited to exchange words and signs of peace

HYMN

1. *Put peace into each other's hand
and like a treasure hold it,
protect it like a candle-flame,
with tenderness enfold it.*

4. *As at communion, shape your hands
into a waiting cradle;
the gift of Christ receive, revere,
united round the table.*

2. *Put peace into each other's hands
with loving expectation;
be gentle in your words and ways,
in touch with God's creation.*

5. *Put Christ into each other's hands,
he is love's deepest measure;
in love make peace, give peace a chance,
and share it like a treasure.*

3. *Put peace into each other's hands
like bread we break for sharing;
look people warmly in the eye:
our life is meant for caring.*

*Fred Kaan (b. 1929)
(Hymn 103 in Common Ground)*

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Prayers for others

John Logan



THE THANKSGIVING

Let us give thanks to God

Kristin Ofstad

We praise you, Eternal God, for the world which you have given us and our place in it. You have given us life that we may love and serve you; and though we resist your purpose and misuse your gifts, you have not left us in our sin, but you came to us in Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.

Eternal God, we thank you

We thank you that Jesus founded the Church to continue his creative and reconciling work and for his teaching that the Church is to be salt in the world, cleansing and purifying through self-giving love.

Eternal God, we thank you

We thank you that you come to us as the Holy Spirit, to bring us to new life in Christ, giving us freedom to call you Father.

Eternal God, we thank you

In the silence we offer special thanksgivings for the ministry of Jed among us.

SILENCE

Eternal God

We thank you

The Lord's Prayer



THE SENDING OUT

HYMN 671 – Day by day dear Lord x3

The Dismissal

Jed Davis

The Grace *said by all – to each other*

The Blessing