



Thanksgiving Service
to celebrate the life
of FCN Founder
Christopher Jones MBE

Saturday 15th June 2024
St. Peter's Church, Grandborough



Welcome and Opening prayer

– Revd. Canon Barbara Clutton

Hymn – Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace,
and guide us when perplexed;
and free us from all ills,
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given;
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

First Tribute – “Christopher the Man”

Prayer & lighting of the First Candle

– Christopher’s Daughters, Annabel and Catherine

Second Tribute – “The Founding of FCN”

Prayer & lighting of the Second Candle

– Brian Warren and Dr John Wibberley

Third Tribute – “FCN Now”

Prayer & lighting of the Third Candle

– Dr Jude McCann and Kate England

Hymn - We Plough the Fields and Scatter

We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land;
but it is fed and watered
by God’s almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain;
the breezes and the sunshine
and soft refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above:
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.

He only is the Maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star:
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more, to us his children
he gives our daily bread.

All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above:
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.

We thank you, then, our Father,
for all things bright and good;
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food:
accept the gifts we offer
for all your love imparts;
and that which you most welcome –
our humble, thankful hearts!

All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above:
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.

Prayers

- Anthony Matthews

Followed by **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who 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.

Hymn – I the Lord of Sea and Sky

I, The Lord Of Sea And Sky,
I Have Heard My People Cry.
All Who Dwell In Dark And Sin,
My Hand Will Save.
I Who Made The Stars Of Night,
I Will Make Their Darkness Bright.
Who Will Bear My Light To Them?
Whom Shall I Send?

Here I Am Lord, Is It I, Lord?
I Have Heard You Calling In The Night.
I Will Go Lord, If You Lead Me.
I Will Hold Your People In My Heart.

I, The Lord Of Snow And Rain,
I Have Borne My People's Pain.
I Have Wept For Love Of Them, They Turn Away.
I Will Break Their Hearts Of Stone,
Give Them Hearts For Love Alone.
I Will Speak My Word To Them
Whom Shall I Send?

Here I Am Lord, Is It I, Lord?
I Have Heard You Calling In The Night.
I Will Go Lord, If You Lead Me.
I Will Hold Your People In My Heart.

I, The Lord Of Wind And Flame
I Will Tend The Poor And Lame.
I Will Set A Feast For Them,
My Hand Will Save
Finest Bread I Will Provide,
Till Their Hearts Be Satisfied.
I Will Give My Life To Them,
Whom Shall I Send?

Here I Am Lord, Is It I, Lord?
I Have Heard You Calling In The Night.
I Will Go Lord, If You Lead Me.
I Will Hold Your People In My Heart.

Bible Reading - Luke ch. 24 vv. 13-35

Revd. Matt Jeffrey

Address

Dr Peter Carruthers

Fourth Tribute - “Carrying Christopher’s Vision Forward”

Prayer and lighting of the Fourth Candle

- Mark Suthern and Stephen Dennis

Hymn – Thine Be the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the Church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing;
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love:
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son,
Endless is the vict'ry, thou o'er death hast won.

Blessing

- Revd. Canon Sally Fogden



After the service, everyone is welcome to stay for refreshments in the church, and share their memories of Christopher

