

# *Shirley Margaret Goss*



19 JULY 1932 – 6 MARCH 2014



# **Welcome and Introduction**

## **Prayer**

**Hymn:** The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended

The darkness falls at Thy behest;  
To Thee our morning hymns ascended,  
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank Thee that Thy church, unsleeping,  
While earth rolls onward into light,  
Through all the world her watch is keeping,  
And rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island  
The dawn leads on another day,  
The voice of prayer is never silent,  
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

So be it, Lord; Thy throne shall never,  
Like earth's proud empires, pass away:  
Thy kingdom stands, and grows forever,  
Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.

### **Readings:**

Micah 6:6 - 8

Matthew 5:1 - 12 (The Beatitudes)



## **Hymn:** Praise with Joy the World's Creator

Praise with joy the world's creator,  
God of justice, love and peace,  
Source and end of human knowledge,  
Force of greatness without cease.  
Celebrate the Maker's glory -  
Power to rescue and release.

Praise the Son who feeds the hungry,  
Frees the captive, finds the lost,  
Heals the sick, upsets religion,  
Fearless both of fate and cost.  
Celebrate Christ's constant presence -  
Friend and Stranger, Guest and Host.

Praise the Spirit sent among us  
Liberating truth from pride,  
Forging bonds where race or gender,  
Age or nation dare divide.  
Celebrate the Spirit's treasure -  
Foolishness none dare deride.

Praise the Maker, Son and Spirit,  
One God in community,  
Calling Christians to embody  
Oneness and diversity.  
Thus the world shall yet believe, when  
Shown Christ's vibrant unity.

### **Tributes**

Cathy Opie, Jan Dearing  
John Goss, Peter Goss  
Muriel Harvey, Noeline Chappell



*Written on the occasion of  
Shirley's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2012*

80 years  
Showering flowers  
On friends and strangers  
Living a life  
Of kindness  
Reaching out, finding  
The needy  
Heeding the broken-hearted  
Healing the wounded  
Sheltering the homeless.  
Shirley is aware of despair  
and gives hope  
She is happy being herself.  
We count her amongst  
The salt of the earth.

*By Ian McQuillan*

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Shirley's family thank you for being with them today and warmly invite you to share refreshments and fellowship in the Parish Lounge, at the conclusion of the service.

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