

A Service of Remembrance
and Thanksgiving

Elizabeth Ethel Elgin

September 9, 1945 – January 19, 2025



The Church of St John the Divine
1611 Quadra Street
Victoria, B.C. V8W 2L5

Order of Service

Saturday, February 8, 2025
2:00 pm

Officiant: The Venerable Alastair Singh-McCollum

Sentences of Scripture

Introduction, Acknowledgement of Lands & Opening Prayer

Tributes

Hymn (find music at CP 415)

ALL THINGS BRIGHT

Refrain

**All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.**

**1. Each radiant flower that opens,
each vibrant bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their lively wings.**

Refrain

**2. The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruit in the garden,
God made them every one.**

Refrain

**3. The rocky mountain splendour,
the loon's wild, haunting call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
the forest in the fall.**

Refrain

**4. God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell,
how great is the Creator,
who has made all things well.**

Refrain

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

Collect (Prayer for funerals)

Reading John 14

1. The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want:
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.
2. My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
even for his own name's sake.
3. Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.
4. My table thou hast furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.
5. Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.

Text: Ps. 23; para. Scottish Psalter, 1650.

Address/Sermon

Prayers of Intercession (Prayers of the people)

Carol-Ann Zenger

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

All: Hear us, Lord.

May all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection die to sin and rise to newness of life, and may we with him pass through the grave and gate of death to our joyful resurrection.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Grant to us who are still on our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care that casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Grant us grace to entrust *Liz* to your never-failing love which sustained her in this life.

Receive her into the arms of your mercy and remember her according to the favour you bear for your people.

All: Hear us, Lord.

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All: 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,
forever and ever.
Amen.**

1. Praise the one who breaks the darkness
with a liberating light.
Praise the one who frees the prisoners,
turning blindness into sight.
Praise the one who preached the gospel,
healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands
with the very bread of peace.
2. Praise the one who blessed the children
with a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the one who drove out demons
with a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the one who brings cool water
to the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water,
quenching thirst in every land.
3. Praise the one true love incarnate:
Christ who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many
that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory,
praise the One who makes us one.

Text: Rusty Edwards (1955-). © 1987 Hope Publishing Co.
Music: *A Repository of Sacred Music: Part Second*, Harrisburg, 1813.

Commendation and Farewell

All: Give rest, O Christ, to your servant *Elizabeth* with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.
You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all;
and we are mortal, formed of the earth,
and to earth shall we return.
For so did you ordain when you created me, saying,
“You are dust, and to dust you shall return.”
All of us go down to the dust;
yet even at the grave we make our song:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servant *Elizabeth* with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Committal

Closing Prayer and Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace | according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen | thy salvation.
Which thou hast prepared | before the face of all people.
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles | and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and | to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without | end. Amen.



*The family invites you to join them for refreshments
in the Denson Lounge following the service.*

Organist: Amiel Elfert
Crucifer: Terry Needham

Obituary

Elizabeth Ethel Elgin passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 19, 2025, in Victoria, BC, at the age of 79. Born on September 9, 1945, in England, Elizabeth lived a life grounded in faith, service, and connection to those she loved.

A faithful member of St. John's the Divine Anglican Church, Elizabeth dedicated many years to supporting the church's food bank ministry, helping to care for her community. She also had a tender heart for animals and found joy in fostering senior cats with diabetes through Kitty Cat Pals.

Elizabeth was deeply devoted to her family and friends, including her siblings Roy, Loraine, and Robert, as well as her parents and many dear friends. She is survived by her daughter, Dawn Elgin, her son-in-law Mike, and her grandsons Brayden and Wyatt, who brought light and laughter into her life.

Though their relationship was complex, Dawn honors her mother's life with love and compassion, celebrating the legacy of strength and dedication Elizabeth leaves behind.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at St. John the Divine (1611 Quadra St, Victoria, BC, V8T 1A2) at 2:00pm on Saturday, February 8, 2025. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to the St. John the Divine's food bank or Kitty Cat Pals in Elizabeth's memory.