## Service to Celebrate the Life of

# Alun Gwilym Jones

11th February 1939 - 27th April 2025



Wednesday 21st May 2025 at 11.00 am

Lord Street West United Church

### **ALUN**

Alun was a genuinely decent man - kind, gentle, big-hearted, loving, always interested in addressing social injustices.

He was a great father, grandpa and father-in-law and we will miss him and our chats, whether they be about current affairs, sport, politics or what his grand-daughter, Lily, was currently up to.

He loved, Anne, his late wife, dearly and it is fitting that he passed on her birthday and that they are now reunited.

Rest well, Grandpa, you were and are loved and we will miss you xxxx

Jill, Lily and Bryn

**PROCESSIONAL MUSIC** 

**GATHERING WORDS** 

#### **HYMN**

Love Divine

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit,
Into ev'ry troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit;
Let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above;
Pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation:
True and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

## **PRAYER**

## **BIBLE READINGS**

1 Corinthians, Chapter 13: verses 4-7

and

John, Chapter 14: verses 1-6 and 27

TRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF ALUN GWILYM JONES

### **HYMN**

Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms
Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

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 in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
Of this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Spirit blest,
Who reign in highest Heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom Heaven and earth adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

## **MINISTER'S ADDRESS**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## 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.

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

#### **HYMN**

#### Abide With Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide! When other helpers fail, and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O, abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies: Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

## **BLESSING**

## **RECESSIONAL MUSIC**

A short committal service will now take place at Southport Crematorium.





Alun's family would like to thank you all for attending today, and warmly invite you for light refreshments at The Richmond, 234 Scarisbrick New Road, Southport PR8 5HL.

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