

PETER MACDONALD: SERVICE OF COMMITTAL



Gathering Music

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

God is our refuge and our strength,
A very present help in trouble.
Blessed are those who mourn;
They will be comforted

Hymn 691: Be Still My Soul

Prayer

Reading: from Psalm 139

Where shall I go from your spirit,
And how could I be away from your presence?
If I climb up to the heavens you are there,
And if I make my bed in hell, still you are there.
If I fly east with the rising sun,
Or sail to the uttermost west, you are there.
If darkness covers me, and night closes in on me,
You are there too;
For the night is not dark for you, but luminous as the day
and the two are one to you.
For where shall I go from your spirit?
Your presence is there, and there, and there.

Commendation

Committal

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn 730 From the falter of breath

Blessing

Sung prayer of encompassing

God's eye be within you, God's foot be before you
God's spirit be round you, to shield and restore you.
God's freedom to choose you, God's justice to fuse you,
God's purpose to liberate and transform and use you.

And now may the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing,
that we may abound in hope in the power of the Holy Spirit. AMEN