

Margot

Dr Margaret McLean (née Manderson) Cutting

11 August 1929 – 6 October 2025



A Service of Thanksgiving for Margot's Life

1pm Friday 24 October 2025

St Andrew's Church, Dean Court

Orchard Rd, Oxford, OX2 9BH



**Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

*Great is thy faithfulness,
Great is thy faithfulness,
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hast provided;
Great is thy faithfulness,
Lord unto me.*

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine and ten thousand beside.**

Thomas O. Chisholm (1923)

Welcome and Opening Prayers
David Wenham

**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.**



**My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
ev'n for his own name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill:
For thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.**

**My table thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.**

**Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me,
And in God's house forever more
My dwelling place shall be.**

Francis Rous - Scottish Psalter; 1650

Margot over the years

Images curated by Rebekah Barnden
Music from Handel's Messiah

A piece Margot both loved, and sang

**I know that my redeemer liveth
And that he shall stand
At the latter day, upon the earth.**



I know that my redeemer liveth
And that he shall
At the latter day, upon the earth
Upon the earth.
I know that my redeemer liveth
And he shall
Stand at the latter day, upon the earth
Upon the earth.

And though worms destroy this body
Yet in my flesh shall I see God
Yet in my flesh shall I see God.

I know that my redeemer liveth
And though worms destroy this body
Yet in my flesh shall I see God.
Yet in my flesh shall I see God
Shall I see God.

I know that my redeemer liveth.
For now is Christ risen from the dead -
The first fruits of them that sleep,
Of them that sleep,
The first fruits of them that sleep.
For now is Christ risen,
For now is Christ risen from the dead.
The first fruits of them that sleep.

Job 19:26-26 1 Corinthians 15:20
George Frideric Handel 1742

Margot's Story
William Cutting



**In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand:
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

Stuart Townend & Keith Getty © 2001 Thankyou Music



Reading

Verses from Romans 8

Catriona Allen

Address

Alastair Cutting

**There is a Redeemer,
Jesus God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God,
Messiah, Holy One.**

***Thank You, O my Father
For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit 'til
Your work on earth is done.***

**Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God,
Messiah, O for sinners slain.**

**When I stand in glory
I will see His face,
And there I'll serve
My King forever,
In that holy place.**

Melody Green © 1982 Birdwing Music

Tributes

Kenneth Cutting, and all who want to share memories



**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

*This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.*

**Perfect communion, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight.
Angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**

**Perfect submission, all is at rest.
I in my Saviour am happy and bless'd,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.**

Fanny Crosby (1873)

God be in my head,
And in my understanding;
God be in mine eyes,
And in my looking;
God be in my mouth,
And in my speaking;
God be in my heart,
And in my thinking;
God be at mine end,
And at my departing.

Sarum Primer, 1558



Prayers

Colin Cutting, and other who may like to pray

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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.**

**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 Song of Simeon - Nunc Dimittis - Luke 2.29



Support us, O Lord,
all the day long of this troublous life,
until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes,
the busy world is hushed,
the fever of life is over
and our work is done.

Then, Lord, in your mercy grant us a safe lodging,
a holy rest, and peace at the last;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Commendation

Alastair Cutting

**Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry 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, conqu'ring 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 His church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.**

**No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life!!
Life is nought without Thee; aid us in our strife;
make us more than conqu'rors, through Thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above.**

Edmond Budry (1904)



Blessing

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.



