

A portrait of a middle-aged man with short, light-colored hair, wearing black-rimmed glasses and a blue t-shirt. He is smiling slightly and looking directly at the camera. The background is a blurred outdoor scene with greenery and a blue sky.

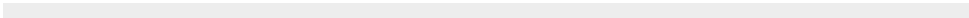
In Celebration of the Life of

*Jeremy Birch 'Jez'*

13th December 1966 - 30th May 2026

Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 10.30 am  
South Oxfordshire Crematorium

Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 2.00 pm  
St Michael's Church, Cumnor



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# At South Oxfordshire Crematorium

## Entrance Music

Honour Him

Hans Zimmer and Gavin Greenaway

## Welcome

## Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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## Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

## Address

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## Prayers

*ending with*

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.

Amen

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The Father's Lullaby

Commendation and Committal

Blessing

Exit Music

Now We Are Free

Hans Zimmer, Klaus Badelt,  
Lisa Gerrard and Gavin Greenaway

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# At St Michael's Church

## Thanksgiving Service

Welcome

### Hymn

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 thy promised rest;  
Take away our love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty.

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Come, Almighty to deliver;  
Let us all thy grace receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy host above,  
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;  
Pure 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!

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## Remembering Jez

Tribute by Jules

## The Father's Lullaby

## Time for Reflection

## Poem

Gone From My Sight  
read by Jonathan Winter

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## Remembering Jez

Tribute by Steve Dorman

## Prayers

led by Chris Hayhurst

*ending with*

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Amen.

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## Hymn

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
Thou my best thought, in the day or the night,  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,  
Be thou my armour and be thou my might,  
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,  
Raise thou me heav'nward,  
O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, when battle is done,  
Grant heaven's joy to me, O bright heaven's sun;  
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

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## Remembering Jez

Tribute  
by Peter Kalu

## Scripture Reading

Psalm 23  
read by Paul Chambers

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters,  
he refreshes my soul.  
He guides me along the right paths  
for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk  
through the darkest valley,  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.  
Surely your goodness and love will follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord  
forever.

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## Address

### Hymn

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,  
Consider all the works thy hand has made;  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
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How great thou art! How great thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:  
*Then sings my soul...*

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin:  
*Then sings my soul...*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy will fill my heart;  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
And there proclaim: my God, how great thou art!  
*Then sings my soul...*

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Prayers

The Blessing

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Jules and family would like to thank everyone for coming today and sharing in this Thanksgiving Service. There has been an overwhelming amount of love, prayers and caring support over the past few months which has been invaluable. Jez was greatly loved and will be sorely missed by many.

Please join us at the Vine Inn, after the service, to continue sharing our memories and stories of Jez.

Donations in memory of Jez may be sent online to

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