

# Thanksgiving service

On the closure of Horseheath School  
1984

By courtesy of Sue Wilton

THOSE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF CLOSURE

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HORSEHEATH C.E. (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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\*\* ORDER OF SERVICE \*\*  
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THANKSGIVING FOR THE  
LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

\*\* 1875 - 1984 \*\*  
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ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH, HORSEHEATH.

FRIDAY 20th JULY

at 9.15 a.m.

Conducted by: CANON V.C. RYDER O.B.E.  
(Chairman of Govenors 1981 - 1984)

Headmaster: MR. L.S. BARLEY  
(1982 - 1984)



THE SERVICE

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Canon Ryder calls the congregation to worship.

Opening Sentence

For your part continue in what you have  
learned and firmly believed. (2 Tim 3: 14)

HYMN "Somebody greater than you or me".

ALL Carpenter, carpenter, make me a tree,  
That's the work of somebody far greater  
than me;  
Gardener, gardener, shape me a flower,  
That's the work of somebody with far  
greater power.

CHORUS Somebody greater than you or me,  
Put the apple on the apple tree;  
The flower in the earth and the  
fish in the sea,  
Are by somebody greater than you  
or me.

Builder, now raise up a coloured rainbow,  
That's something far greater than people  
could know;  
Farmer, I ask you, design me some corn,  
That's somebody greater than any man born.

CHORUS

Now, electrician, will you light a star,  
That's the work of somebody who's  
greater by far;  
Plumber, connect up the river and sea,  
That's the work of somebody far greater  
than me.

CHORUS

AN ACT OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Led by the School Staff

ALL KNEEL

PRAYERS FOR FORGIVENESS

Canon Ryder If we say we have no sin we deceive  
ourselves and the truth is not in us.

ALL

If we confess our sins, God is  
faithful and just to forgive us our  
sins and to cleanse us from every  
kind of wrong.

Almighty God, we confess that we have  
sinned against you in thought, word  
and deed; we have not loved you with  
all our heart; we have not loved our  
neighbours as ourselves. Have mercy  
upon us; cleanse us from our sins;  
and help us to overcome our faults;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Canon Ryder

May God, our Heavenly Father, who has  
promised to forgive all those who  
truly turn to him, have mercy on  
each one of you, pardon and deliver  
you from your sins, and strengthen  
you for his service; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

ALL

"THE LORD'S PRAYER"

HYMN

"The Song of Caedmon".

ALL

Oh praise him! Oh praise him! Oh praise him!  
Oh praise him! Oh praise him! Oh praise him!  
He made the heavens, He made our sky,  
The sun, the moon, the stars on high.  
He formed the world, His mighty hand  
Divided sea and land.  
He moves in wind and rain and snow,  
His life is in all things that grow.  
Oh praise him! Oh praise him! Oh praise him!



Oh praise him! Oh praise him! Oh praise him!  
Oh praise him! Oh praise him! Oh praise him!  
His joy is in the eagle's flight,  
The tiger's roar, the lion's might,  
The lamb, the python and the whale,  
The spider, ant and snail.  
All things that leap and swim and fly  
On land and sea and in the sky.  
They praise him, They praise him,  
They praise him.

Oh praise him! Oh praise him! Oh praise him!  
Oh praise him! Oh praise him! Oh praise him!  
He lives his life in love and joy  
In man and woman, girl and boy.  
His purpose is in me and you,  
In what we are and do.  
His love is in us when we sing  
With every God-created thing,  
And praise him, And praise him,  
And praise him!

#### THE LESSON

Mr. Barley St. Matthew 7, Vv 15-20 & 24-27

#### PRAYERS

Andrew Stott: Let us remember before God all those  
who are leaving our school as it  
closes at this term's end, and let us  
pray for them and for ourselves, as  
we dedicate ourselves and our  
learning to the service of God and  
man, saying together:

ALL Look upon our lives, O Lord God, and  
bless us with your Holy Spirit, that  
we may work with diligence for the  
benefit of others as well as of  
ourselves; that we may both value  
and do what is good, in thought and  
word and deed; that we may grow to  
respect others and foster peace and  
goodwill everywhere; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mr. Barley: A Prayer for the future.

HYMN "One more step along the world I go"

ALL One more step along the world I go,  
One more step along the world I go,  
From the old things to the new  
Keep me travelling along with you.

CHORUS And its from the old I travel  
to the new,  
Keep me travelling along with you.

Round the corners of the world I turn,  
More and more about the world I learn.  
And the new things that I see  
You'll be looking at along with me.

CHORUS

As I travel through the bad and good  
Keep me travelling the way I should.  
Where I see no way to go  
You'll be telling me the way, I know.

CHORUS

Give me courage when the world is rough,  
Keep me loving though the world is tough.  
Leap and sing in all I do,  
Keep me travelling along with you.

CHORUS

You are older than the world can be  
You are younger than the life in me,  
Ever old and ever new,  
Keep me travelling along with you.

CHORUS

#### THE ADDRESS

As we come to the end of our service,  
we ask for God's blessing singing:

HYMN "Heavenly Father may thy blessing"



ALL

Heavenly Father, may thy blessing  
Rest upon thy children now,  
When in praise thy name they hallow,  
When in prayer to thee they bow;  
In the wondrous story reading  
Of the Lord of truth and grace,  
May they see thy love reflected  
In the light of his dear face.

May they learn from this great story  
All the arts of friendliness;  
Truthful speech and honest action,  
Courage, patience, steadfastness;  
How to master self and temper,  
How to make their conduct fair;  
When to speak and when be silent,  
When to so and when forbear.

May his spirit wise and holy  
With his gifts their spirits bless,  
Make them loving, joyous, peaceful,  
Rich in goodness, gentleness,  
Strong in self-control and faithful,  
Kind in thought and deed; for he  
Sayeth, "what ye do for others  
Ye are doing unto me".

+ THE BLESSING +

ALL

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways!  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
In purer lives thy service find,  
In deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word  
Rise us and follow thee.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind  
and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!

HEADMASTER'S CLOSING REMARKS

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Coffee and soft drinks will be served after  
the Service.

On leaving the Church, a collection will be  
taken for Horseheath Church.

Please keep this Order of Service as a  
souvenir.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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The Churchwardens of All Saints'  
Church.

All who have contributed to the  
life and welfare of the School.

Organist: Mrs.J.A.Richards  
ARCM., LLCM.

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