

*Celebrating the life of*

# *Ian Cecil Austin*



*30th September 1940 - 26th July 2023*

*82 Years*

*Service held at Watton Methodist Church*

*Wednesday 16th August 2023- 1pm*

*Committal - Threxton Church yard*

*Service lead by Deacon Jen Woodfin*

*Music in: What a friend we have in Jesus*

*Introduction and Welcome*

*Hymn: Great is thy faithfulness, O God my father  
Thomas Obediah Chisholm*

*“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 hath provided—  
“Great is Thy faithfulness,” Lord, unto me!*

2

*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.*

3

*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, with ten thousand beside!*

*Prayer*

## ***Reading John 14:1-4***

*“1 Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. 2 My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4 You know the way to the place where I am going.”*

***Memories of Ian's Life (Daniel Mather)***

## ***Reading Deuteronomy 11:13-15***

*13 So if you faithfully obey the commands I am giving you today—to love the Lord your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul— 14 then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and olive oil. 15 I will provide grass in the fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied.*

***Address by Jen Woodfin***

## ***Prayers and Lords Prayer***

*Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that 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.*

***We Plough the fields and Scatter***  
***Jane Montgomery Campbell***

*We plow the fields and scatter  
the good seed on the land,  
but it is fed and watered  
by God's almighty hand.  
God sends the snow in winter,  
the warmth to swell the grain,  
the breezes, and the sunshine,  
and soft refreshing rain.*

*Refrain:*

*All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above.  
We thank you, God, we thank you, God, for all your love.*

*He only is the Maker  
of all things near and far;  
He paints the wayside flower,  
He lights the evening star;  
The winds and waves obey Him,  
By Him the birds are fed;  
Much more to us, His children,  
He gives our daily bread.*

*Refrain:*

*We thank you, then, O Father,  
For all things bright and good,  
The seed-time, and the harvest,  
Our life, our health, our food.  
Accept the gifts we offer  
For all Your love imparts,  
We come now Lord to give You  
Our humble, thankful hearts. Refrain:*

***Blessing, Commendation and Closing prayer***  
***Music Out- Ill go in the strength of the Lord***



## *Appreciation*

*The family would like to thank you all for your  
kind support during this time of sadness.*

*Refreshments will be served after the service at:  
Watton Methodist Church, 57 High St, Watton, Thetford IP25 6EJ*

## *Donations*

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causes you can donate to Watton Methodist Church or The Fire Fighters Charity  
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