

A Service Of Celebration For The Life of

Freddie Astbury

6th October 1959 - 8th January 2021



The family thank you for your attendance today, and for all your messages of sympathy at this sad time. They are comforted by your support and prayers.

Due to Covid Restrictions, there will not be a wake get together after the service.

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St. Peter's Church, Formby
Thursday 21st January 2021 at 2pm

Rev'd Canon Anne Taylor

Entrance Music
'You'll Never Walk Alone' *Gerry & The Pacemakers*

Welcome

Opening Prayers

Poem

You can shed tears that Freddie is gone,
or you can smile because he has lived.
You can close your eyes and pray that he will come back,
or you can open your eyes and see all that he has left.
Your heart can be empty because you can't see him,
or you can be full of the love you shared.
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.
You can remember him and only that he is gone,
or you can cherish his memory and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind,
be empty and turn your back.
Or you can do what he would want:
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.
Written by David Harkins

Reading John 14: 1-6, 27

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

Eulogy

Reflection Music:
'Get Here' by *Oletta Adams*

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Commendation and Blessing

Leaving Music

'You'll Never Walk Alone' *Gerry & The Pacemakers*