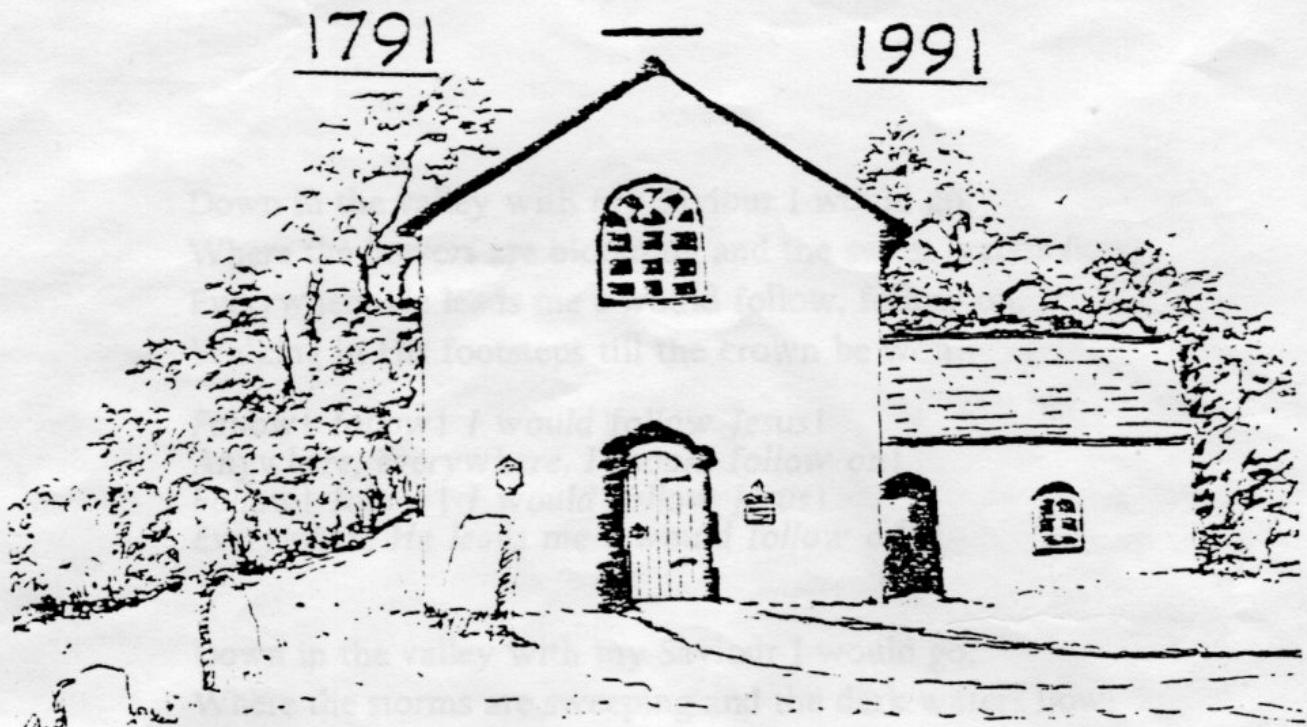


Earlswood Valley Methodist Chapel



200TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR

SPECIAL FAMILY SERVICE

WITH

ANN ROSSER DESCENDANTS

SUNDAY 2ND JUNE 1991

conducted by

REV. Joseph Rooney.

Assisted by

REV. Chris Lee.

Organist

Mrs Carol Fleetwood.

Earlswood Valley Family Service Hymn to be
sung as Rev. Rooney leaves vestry.

Down in the valley with my Saviour I would go,
Where the flowers are blooming and the sweet waters flow;
Everywhere He leads me I would follow, follow on,
Walking in His footsteps till the crown be won.

*Follow! follow! I would follow Jesus!
Anywhere, everywhere, I would follow on!
Follow! follow! I would follow Jesus!
Everywhere He leads me I would follow on*

Down in the valley with my Saviour I would go,
Where the storms are sweeping and the dark waters flow;
With His hand to lead me I will never, never fear:
Dangers cannot fright me if my Lord is near,

Chorus

Down in the valley, or upon the mountain steep,
Close beside my Saviour, would my soul ever keep;
He will lead me safely, in the path that He has trod,
Up to where they gather on the hills of God.

Chorus

The Welcome and Announcements

Hymn

1. Our Father, by whose servants
Our house was built of old,
Whose hand hath crowned her children
With blessings manifold,
For Thine unfailing mercies
Far-strewn along our way,
With all who passed before us,
We praise Thy name today.
2. The changeful years unresting
Their silent course have sped,
New comrades ever bringing
In comrades steps to tread:
And some are long forgotten,
Long spent their hopes and fears;
Safe rest they in Thy keeping,
Who changest not with years.
3. They reap not where they laboured,
We reap what they have sown;
Our harvest may be garnered
By ages yet unknown.
The days of old have dowered us
With gifts beyond all praise:
Our Father, make us faithful
To serve the coming days.
4. Before us and beside us,
Still holden in Thine hand,
A cloud unseen of witness,
Our elder comrades stand:
One family unbroken,
We join with one acclaim,
One heart, one voice uplifting,
To glorify Thy name.

George Wallace Briggs,
1875-.

Prayers

The Young Members Activity Group Give
Their Welcome

Congregation please join in last verse.

As your family, Lord, see us here,
As your family, Lord, see us here,
As your family, Lord, see us here,
O Lord, see us here.

Fill our spirits, Lord, with your love,
Fill our spirits, Lord, with your love,
Fill our spirits, Lord, with your love,
O Lord, give your love.

Make us faithful, Lord, to your will,
Make us faithful, Lord, to your will,
Make us faithful, Lord, to your will,
O Lord, to your will.

As your family, Lord, see us here,
As your family, Lord, see us here,
As your family, Lord, see us here,
O Lord, see us here.

Solo Miss Elizabeth Tiplin

The Gt.Gt.Gt.Gt. Grand Daughter
of Ann Rosser.

Psalm 84 Rev. Joseph Rooney

The Ann Rosser Choir

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Lesson

1 Peter, Chapter 2, Verses 1 to 10

Read by Rev. Chris Lee

The Gt.Gt.Gt.Gt.Grandson of Ann Rosser.

Hymn

1. And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!
2. Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies:
Who can explore His strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
Let angel minds inquire no more.
3. He left His Father's throne above-
So free, so infinite His grace-
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race.
Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me!
4. Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray-
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
5. No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ, my own.
Charles Wesley, 1707-88.

The Offertory

Mrs Kath Davies

With her own 200th Anniversary Song

1. Our Chapel in the Valley
Began so long ago,
When a man whose name was Wesley
Came to Wales to let us know,

Chorus

Jesus is our Father,
We are His children all.
His love will live for ever more,
Come listen to His call.

2. John Wesley held a rally
upon Devauden Green,
Welshmen came from far and wide,
For miles they could be seen,
On foot and some on horseback
His story filled their hearts,
So joyously they walked away,
This message to impart.

Chorus

3. Ann Lewis and her husband James
Were there upon that day,
The news had spread along the lanes,
And they remained to pray.
Ann Lewis built our Chapel,
With help from folk around.
She changed her name to Rosser
And many converts found.

Chorus

4. Together as we kneel to pray,
Thank you Lord we say
For our Chapel of 200 years,
We celebrate this day.

Chorus

Sermon

Rev. Joseph Rooney

Hymn

1. For the might of Thine arm we bless Thee,
our God, our fathers' God;
Thou hast kept Thy pilgrim people by the
strength of Thy staff and rod;
Thou hast called us to the journey which
faithless feet ne'er trod;
For the might of Thine arm we bless Thee,
our God, our fathers' God.
2. For the love of Christ constraining, that
bound their hearts as one;
For the faith in truth and freedom in
which their work was done;
For the peace of God's evangel wherewith
their feet were shod;
For the might of Thine arm we bless Thee,
our God, our fathers' God.
3. We are watchers of a beacon whose light
must never die;
We are guardians of an altar that shows
Thee ever nigh;
We are children of Thy freemen who sleep
beneath the sod;
For the might of Thine arm we bless Thee,
our God, our fathers' God.
4. May the shadow of Thy presence around
our camp be spread;
Baptize us with the courage Thou gavest
to our dead;
O keep us in the pathway their saintly
feet have trod;
For the might of Thine arm we bless Thee,
our God, our fathers' God.

----- Charles Sylvester Horne,
1865-1914.

Prayers of Intercession

Rev. Chris Lee

Hymn

1. O Thou who camest from above
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart!
2. There let it for Thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze;
And trembling to its source return,
In humble prayer and fervent praise.
3. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for Thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up Thy gift in me.
4. Ready for all Thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death Thy endless mercies seal,
And make the sacrifice complete.

Charles Wesley, 1707-88.

The Benediction

The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
The Love of God,
And the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with us all now and evermore,

Amen.

We are delighted to welcome visitors from Australia, U.S.W.A., Scotland, England and Wales, to our Family Service this afternoon.

Mr Gilbert Tiplin who is a member of the Methodist Church in New Eitham, London, will play for his daughter Elizabeth to sing.

Mrs Daphne Vickery who is organist at Caboolture Methodist Church, Brisbane, Australia will play for The Ann Rosser Choir.

Please stay and join everyone for tea in the Valley Meadow following the service.

~~Noir~~ Rollon

John - John
Davies

Bernard Gasser

Frank Gasser

Mollie "

Edgar Wickes
Desphne Wickes

" The Best of all is

Marjorie Gasser

..... GOD is with Us. "

Angela Free Hewitt

Joseph Rooney

THE LAST WORDS SPOKEN

Richard Free Hewitt

BY JOHN WESLEY

Millie X X
of Joan

Jack Ruth

Kathleen Gasser

Roger Smith
Robin Harris

Isabel Morgan

Christie X