

**Harris Manchester College**

**Oxford**



**Valedictory Service**

**Tuesday 22nd June 2021**

**at 4.30pm**

**A welcome into the Ministry of Religion to  
Robin Arthur Hanford, BA(Hons), PGCert, PGDip  
and Rev. Michael Allured, BA Hons, MBE  
by Rev. Canon Professor Jane Shaw,  
Principal, Harris Manchester College**

**Service led by Rev. Alexander Bradley, BA, MA**

**Preacher: The Rev. Canon Professor Jane Shaw**

**Organist: Alastair Stone, ARCO, BA Music**

## **Organ prelude**

Extracts from *Little Organ Book* (Parry)

## **Call to worship**

### **Welcome and opening words**

**HYMN** *Wake, now, my senses* (181, *Sing Your Faith*)

Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call;  
feel the deep power of being in all;  
keep with the web of creation your vow,  
giving, receiving as love shows us how.

Wake, now, my reason, reach out to the new;  
join with each pilgrim who quests for the true;  
Honour the beauty and wisdom of time;  
Suffer thy limit, and praise the sublime.

Wake, now, compassion, give heed to the cry;  
voices of suffering fill the wide sky;  
take as your neighbour both stranger and friend,  
praying and striving their hardship to end.

Wake, now, my conscience, with justice thy guide;  
join with all people whose rights are denied;  
take not for granted a privileged place;  
God's love embraces the whole human race.

Wake, now, my vision of ministry clear;  
brighten my pathway with radiance here;  
mingle my calling with all who would share;  
work toward a planet transformed by our care.

## **Prayer and 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 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.*

### **Reading**

*Ephesians 4.1-16*

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*When I say "God" it is poetry and not theology* (John Haynes Holmes)

### **Prayer**

**Address by Rev. Canon Professor Jane Shaw**

### **Musical interlude**

*Prelude and Fugue in G major* (BWV 557)

from the *Eight Short Preludes and Fugues* (Bach)

## **A WELCOME INTO THE MINISTRY OF RELIGION**

The Principal

### **Greetings**

Anne Mills, GA President: greetings from the General Assembly

Elizabeth Slade, Chief Officer: greetings from Essex Hall

**HYMN:** *Wonders still the world shall witness* (209, *Hymns for Living*)

Wonders still the world shall witness  
Never known in days of old,  
Never dreamed by ancient sages,  
Howsoever free and bold.  
Sons and daughters shall inherit  
Wondrous arts to us unknown,  
When the dawn of peace its splendour  
Over all the world has thrown.

They shall rule with winged freedom  
Worlds of health and human good,  
Worlds of commerce, worlds of science,  
All made one and understood.  
They shall know a world transfigured,  
Which our eyes but dimly see;  
They shall make its towns and woodlands  
Beautiful from sea to sea.

For a spirit then shall move them  
We but vaguely apprehend —  
Aims magnificent and holy,  
Making joy and labour friend.  
Then shall bloom in song and fragrance  
Harmony of thought and deed,  
Fruits of peace and love and justice —  
Where today we plant the seed.

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Nun danket alle Gott* (Karg-Elert)