#### Order of Service

**Before the service:** *You’re my best friend* sung by Don Williams

**To enter:** *The Answer to Everything* sung by David Alexander

#### **Introduction and Opening Prayers**

**Merciful Father, hear our prayers and comfort us; renew our trust in your Son, whom you raised from the dead; strengthen our faith that all who have died in the love of Christ will share in his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.**  **Amen**

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,

The emblem of suff'ring and shame;

and I love that old cross where the dearest and best

For a world of lost sinners was slain.

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross*

*Till my trophies at last I lay down;*

*I will cling to the old rugged cross*

*And exchange it some day for a crown.*

Oh, the old rugged cross, so despised by the world,

Has a wondrous attraction for me;

For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above

To bear it to dark Calvary. *So I'll cherish …*

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,

Its shame and reproach gladly bear;

Then He'll call me some day to my home far away,

Where his glory for ever I'll share. *So I'll cherish…*

**The Scriptural Reading:** John 14. 1-6

**The Eulogy**

**Music for reflection:** *You wear my ring* sung by David Alexander

**The Prayers and Lord’s Prayer:**

*After “Lord, in your mercy”, please respond by saying: “****Hear our prayer”***

## After the final section:

**God of mercy, entrusting into your hands all that you have made and rejoicing in our communion with all your faithful people, we make our prayers through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder

Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,

I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,

Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee,*

*How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

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*How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander

And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;

When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,

And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; *Then sings...*

And when I think that God his Son not sparing,

Sent Him to die - I scarce can take it in;

That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away my sin: *Then sings...*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation

And take me home - what joy shall fill my heart!

Then shall I bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim my God, how great Thou art! *Then sings ...*

**The Commendation:** *(please remain standing)*

**Heavenly Father, in your Son Jesus Christ you have given us a true faith and a sure hope. Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days, that we may live as those who believe in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Final music:** *If I only had time* sung by David Alexander