

**Order of Service**

**Funeral of Sheryle Powell**

**09<sup>th</sup> February 1950- 26<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**Dukinfield Crematorium**

**11:00 am Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

**Service Conducted by Rev Jules Mambu**

**Gathering:** I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord. 'Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.' John 11.25,26

**Hymn 1– “The King of love My Shepherd Is”**

1. The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never,  
I nothing lack if I am his And he is mine for ever.
2. Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul he leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
3. Perverse and foolish of I strayed, But yet in love he sought me,  
And on his shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.

**Introduction, Welcome and collect**

We meet in the name of Jesus Christ, who died and was raised to the glory of God the Father. Grace and peace be with you.

We have come here today to remember before God **Sheryle Powell**; to give thanks for her life; to commend her to God our merciful redeemer and judge; to commit her body to be cremated, and to comfort one another in our grief.

**Collect**

Heavenly Father, you have not made us for darkness and death but for life with you for ever. As we remember **Sheryle Powell**, look with compassion on us in our loss. Give to troubled hearts the light of hope and strengthen in us the gift of faith, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Bible Reading: John 14,1-6 (Sermon)**

## Commendation and Farewell

Let us commend our sister **Sheryle Powell** to the mercy of God, our maker and redeemer.

**Silence is kept.**

God our creator and redeemer; by your power Christ conquered death and entered into glory. Confident of his victory and claiming his promises, we entrust our sister **Sheryle Powell** to your mercy in the name of Jesus our Lord, who died and is alive and reigns with you, now and for ever. **Amen**

### Hymn 2 – “Now Thank we all our God”

1 Now thank we all our God  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

3 All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son and Spirit blest,  
who reign in highest heaven  
the one eternal God,  
whom heaven and earth adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

2 O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
to keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
of this world in the next.

### The Committal

We have entrusted our sister **Sheryle Powell** to God's mercy, and we now commit her body to be cremated: earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust: in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our frail bodies that they may be conformed to his glorious body, who died, was buried, and rose again for us. To him be glory for ever. **Amen**

## **The Prayers**

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all: and we are mortal, formed from the dust of the earth, and unto earth shall we return. For so you ordained when you created me, saying: 'Dust you are and to dust you shall return.' All of us go down to the dust, yet weeping at the grave, we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Give rest, O Christ, to your servant **Sheryle Powell** with the saints: where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting. **Amen**

*As our Saviour taught us, so we pray*

### **The Lord's Prayer (All)**

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.

### **Blessing**

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church, living and departed in the Lord Jesus, to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom.  
**Amen.**

### **Hymn 3: Abide with Me**

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see—  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.