Thank for being here today to celebrate the life of Betty Hodgkinson.

Please record your personal memory of Betty in the Remembrance Register in the foyer.

A donation in Betty’s memory to the Bible Society would be gratefully received.

A warm invitation is made to share refreshments and fellowship in the hall at the conclusion of the celebration service.

You are invited to join the entourage to Wharerangi Lawn Cemetery, Cato Road, for the burial service of Betty.

Betty Hodgkinson (Nee Weaver)

14 May 1915 – 22 April 2014
On Wednesday 30th April 2014
at 11.00am

Welcome
Ken Hodgkinson

Introduction & Prayers

Hymn

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory over death you’ve won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes, where your body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory over death you’ve won.

See, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord is living, death has lost its sting.

Thine be the glory………

No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life;
life is naught without you; aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors
through your deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordon to your home above.

Thine be the glory………

E.L. Budry 1854-1932 and G.F. Handel 1685-1759

The Word

God keeps secure the one who trusts in the Lord
Psalm 91 read by Katie McCutcheon

Nothing separates us from the love of God
Romans 8:18, 28, 31b-35, 37-39
read by Geoffrey Hodgkinson

First Reflections

1915-1939: early life, earthquake and marriage
John Hodgkinson

1940-1966: four sons and no daughters
Eric Hodgkinson

Tribute Song

'I Will Lift My Voice’ by Geoff Bullock
led by Philip Hodgkinson and accompanied
by family members

Second Reflections

country travel, Charlie’s death, independent living
Philip Hodgkinson

Reflections

Grandchildren (video), Peter Clark and others

Prayers of the People
Ken Hodgkinson

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen

Hymn

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
in you no shadow of turning we see;
you never fail and your love is unchanging:
as you have been you forever will be.

Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness,
morning by morning new mercies we see;
all we have needed your hand has provided:
great is thy faithfulness, Lord God, to me.

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in unspoken witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great is thy faithfulness………

Pardon for sin and a peace that’s enduring,
your living presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow –
these are the blessings your love will provide.

Great is thy faithfulness………

T.O. Chisholm 1866-1960 and W.M. Runyun 1870-1957

Concluding Thoughts and Prayers
Ken Hodgkinson

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Betty will remain in the Church during the time of
refreshment. Her casket will be carried from the
Church immediately prior to the entourage
heading for the Cemetery.