



St Elphin's School

CENTENARY SERVICE OF CELEBRATION
100 years in Darley Dale

Friday 22nd October 2004

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Words of Welcome - by the Headteacher Dr D Mouat

Opening litany of thanksgiving:

All: Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise forever.

All: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

All: Trust in the Lord and do good;
dwelt in the land and enjoy safe pasture.

All: Delight yourself in the Lord
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Hymn: **Praise my soul the King of heaven**

1. Praise my soul, the king of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!
2. Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

3. Father-like he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely as his mercy flows!

4. Angels, help us to adore him.
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace!

Looking Back -

Warrington 1697 - 1904

Lower School contribution-

One more step along the world I go

Looking Back -

One hundred years at Darley Dale

The School Psalm:

Psalm 127

All: Unless the LORD builds the house,
its builders labour in vain.

All: Unless the LORD watches over the city,
the watchmen stand guard in vain.

In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food
to eat-
All: **for he grants sleep to those he loves.**

All: Sons are a heritage from the LORD,
children a reward from him.

All: Like arrows in the hands of a warrior
are sons born in one's youth.

All: Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.
**They will not be put to shame when they
contend with their enemies in the gate.**

Hymn:

Lord for the years

1. Lord for the years, your love has kept and guided.
Urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
Sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.
2. Lord, for our land, in this our generation
Spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care;
For young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.
3. Lord, for ourselves: in living power remake us –
Self on the cross and Christ upon the throne.
Past put behind us, for the future take us,
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Readings: Psalm 121; by Miss J Crook
Luke 18:18-22 by Mrs R Cuff

Anthem: Adoname J Basford

A short message by the Lay-Chaplain Mrs W Kenyon

Prayers of Thanksgiving by representatives of the school - past and present.

Bidding We give you thanks
Response All: **We thank you Lord**

St Elphin's School Prayer:

Grant us, O Lord

In thought, vision;

In word, wisdom;

In deed, courage;

In life, service;

And in all things, love;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hymn: **Now thank we all our God**

1. Now thank we all our God,
 With heart and hands and voices,
 Who wondrous things hath done,
 In whom his world rejoices;
 Who from our mother's arms
 Hath blessed us on our way
 With countless gifts of love,
 And still is ours today.

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

3. All praise and thanks to God
 The Father now be given,
 The Son, and him who reigns
 With them in highest heaven:
 The one eternal God,
 Whom earth and heaven adore;
 For thus it was, is now,
 And ever shall be evermore.

Dismissal.