

A Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving
for the Life of



Jill Strong

31st August 1932 - 6th July 2024

Lockhart
Uniting Church
Friday, 12th July 2024

Officiating

Lorraine Hoffman

Opening Music

“Amazing Grace”

Welcome and Prayers

Lorraine Hoffman

Hymn

“All Things Bright And Beautiful”

*Refrain: All things bright and beautiful
All creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful
The Lord God made them all*

Each little flower that opens
Each little bird that sings
He made their glowing colours
He made their tiny wings. *Refrain:*

The cold wind in the winter
The pleasant summer sun
The ripe fruits in the garden
He made them every one. *Refrain:*

The purple headed mountain
The rivers running by
The sunset and the morning
That brightens up the sky. *Refrain:*

He gives us eyes to see them
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty
Who made all things well. *Refrain:*

Bible Readings

Ecclesiastes 3:1

Read by Anna Hoy

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.
a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what has been planted;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence,
and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

John 14: 1-6

Read by Elissa Strong

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return and take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.'





Words Of Remembrance
Sue Conlan

We are here as family and friends to celebrate Jill's life.
Her family are thankful for her unconditional love, good advice and hard work.

Because of her industry and hardwork we wanted for nothing.

She did allow time for tennis. This was a summer Saturday afternoon ritual that she loved and excelled at.

Tennis, a game for life. There were tennis lessons for us which we were grateful for.

She made sure we never missed out on summer holidays to the coast.
A most exciting adventure for us.

Jill, a shy young adult had a love of babies-hers!
She managed us and much more!

Her life was the country - horses, sheep cattle, raising poddy calves, turkeys, chickens, ducks, vegetable and fruit gardening, wool classing, pottery, spinning, knitting, weaving, dyeing wool, sewing and restoring antiques.

For us it was a life of endless fresh air, paddocks and few worries. There was little bush to explore, being overcleared for farming. Jill noticed the birds of her childhood had disappeared-robins, wee bills, blue wrens, owls, curlews and parrots. She was determined to replant for them. This turned into a fervour as years went by, growing bush corridors. She collected seed from remnant bush along the roadways-hopbushes, wattles, Berrigan butterbushes, lifting heavy buckets of water on hot days to keep her plantings alive.

Her garden at Allendale was a haven for birds and a joy to visit
and wake-up to bird song.

We celebrate Jill's kindness and compassion caring for her elderly parents then those in care at Woodhaven. She was able to converse with retired farmers about the old times taking their mind off their pain.

Jill has instilled in us her values for life - honesty, hard work, loyalty, kindness, generosity, humour, love of nature and appreciation of fresh healthy food and water.

Thank you Mum!

Hymn

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”

The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green, he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
ev’n for his own name’s sake.

Yea, though I walk in death’s dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill:
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me:
and in God’s house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

Reflection

Lorraine Hoffman

Prayers Over The People

The 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.

Commendation

Closing Music

“Time To Say Goodbye” by Sarah Brightman and Andrea Bocelli



Lynton, Mark, Sue, Guy and Jill's family would like to thank you all for your kindness and expressions of sympathy during this very sad time for their family.

Following the service, please join the family at he family home for light refreshments and the sharing of memories you have of Jill.