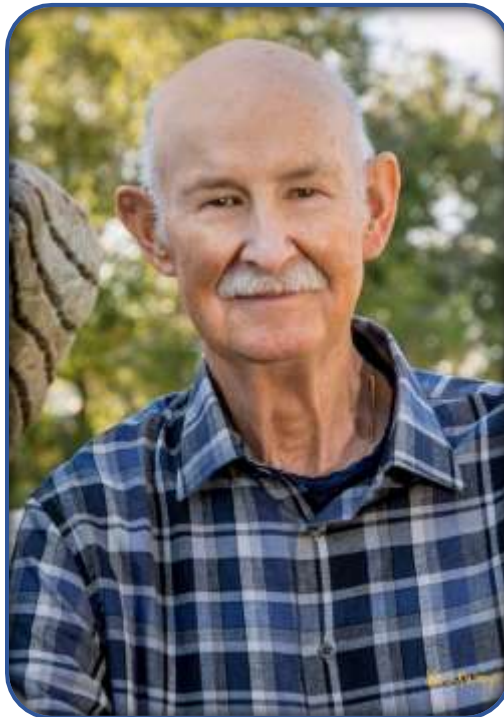




CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
Canon Dwight John Oatway

October 12, 1947 – May 14, 2026



Saturday, June 27th, 2026
11:00 am

St Paul's Cathedral
Kamloops, British Columbia

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Watch later: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHZwwNXOnOviPmxwRwEo7Q>.

No Sad Tears for Me

I hope by now the initial shock of my departure has begun to fade into beautiful thoughts of the past times together. Unroll the carpet of memories, taking time to keep apart the pleasant ones to record.

There is only one thing I ask of you all; no sad tears for me, for most of life's emotions have been mine. Recall me instead with a smile as the Husband, Father, Brother, Uncle or Friend who shared your laughter and tears. I loved you all, so please remember me and find strength in the times we shared.

I'm thankful for the years God allotted to me, I lived a full life and it was good. I laughed a lot and cried little. Remember our times as a family; the birthdays, graduations, weddings, the births of babies.

No man really dies as long as there is someone in this living world that remembers him with fond recall and their memory invokes a wistful smile or hearty laugh. Those who love and have been loved will never die as they earned a portion of immortality in the hearts of those who are left to finish life's scroll.

And so I ask one thing only, "No Sad Tears for Me."

Author Unknown

Prelude

Welcome

The Rt. Rev. Clara Plamondon

Opening Hymn: Here I Am, Lord

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Gathering Prayer

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Tributes:

Michael and Chad Oatway

First Reading Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

Jo-Mary Hunter

Psalm Reading Psalm 121

Marion Oatway

Gospel Reading John 12: 20-26

Reverend Len Fraser

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Homily

The Very Reverend Dr. Kyle Norman

Hymn My Love Colours Outside the Lines

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The Apostles' Creed

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**I believe in God,
the Father, the Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only son, our Lord,
he was conceived by the power of
the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was
buried.
He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Melissa Green

The Lord's Prayer

**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 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.**

The Commendation

Bishop Barbara Andrews

Into the darkness and warmth of the earth, **we let you go.**
Into the sadness and smiles of our memories, **we lay you down**
Into the cycle of living and dying and rising again, **we lay you down.**
May you rest in peace, in fulfillment, in love.
May you run straight home into God's embrace.
Into the freedom of wind and sunshine, **we let you go.**
Into the dance of the stars and the planets, **we let you go.**
Into the winds breath and the hands of the Starmaker, **we let you go.**
We love you, we miss you, we want you to be eternally happy.
Go safely, go dancing, go running home.

Ruth Burgess

The Blessing

The Rt. Rev. Clara Plamondon

Dismissal

The eternal God is your dwelling place,
and underneath are the everlasting arms
**Blessed is the Lord,
Our strength and our song.**

Recessional Hymn

Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

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Postlude

Music by Pat Rustand, Alison Rustand & Choir.

All are invited to join the family for the reception in the Parish Hall after the service.

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Territory of the People