

In Loving Memory of

Emma Jayne Wright

12th January 1986 - 25th May 2025



St Peter's Church,
Staple Fitzpaine

Wednesday 25th June 2025
at 3.00pm

“It is particularly incumbent on those who never change their opinion,
to be secure of judging properly at first.”

“It is a stubbornness about me that never can
bear to be frightened at the will of others.
My courage always rises at every attempt to intimidate me.”

“You must learn some of my philosophy.
Think only of the past as its remembrance gives you pleasure.”

*Words of Jane Austen, spoken by Emma's no1 fictional heroine,
Elizabeth Bennet. 1813*

MUSIC AS WE ENTER
Pachelbel Canon in D Major

WELCOME

INTRODUCTION AND PRAYERS

HYMN

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
‘Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be,
As long as life endures.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise
Than when we’d first begun.

EULOGY

Simon Milsted

RECOLLECTIONS FROM LIFE-LONG FRIENDSHIPS

Isabel Hardman and Alice Shields

(Friends from Emma's University days)

READING

JOHN ch 14 vs 1-6

Read by Louise Linden and Jennifer Milsted

(Emma's cousins)

ADDRESS

A SONG FOR ELLA AND JACK

Sung by Cat Ennis,

accompanied by Hannah Cooke

(Friends from Emma's University days)

Music and lyrics: Rachel Platten

PRAYERS

The minister will be joined
by Becky Grave
(Godmother to Jack)

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 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.

**A POEM FROM
THE COMMUNITY OF
PARKFIELD SCHOOL**

“For Emma”

Read on their behalf by Lucy Nettlefold

In the heart of the ancient forest deep,
Where shadows dance and secrets keep,
A mighty oak stands tall and grand,
A symbol of courage in the land.

Its roots dig deep, its branches high,
Reaching out to the endless sky,
Through storms and winds, it does not sway,
A testament to bravery, come what may.

The river flows with a gentle grace,
Carving paths through time and space,
Its waters brave the rocks and bends,
A journey that never truly ends.

The mountains rise with steadfast might,
Guardians of the day and night,
Their peaks kiss the heavens above,
A silent ode to strength and love.

In a quiet glade, a spirit soars,
A presence felt, for evermore,
A life of love and bravery shown,
In the hearts of those it's known.

When the sun sets and twilight fades,
And the forest hums with evening shades,
The brave oak stands, its spirit free,
Welcoming the night with serenity.

Above, a bright star lights the sky,
A beacon of hope, shining high,
Guiding loved ones through the night,
A symbol of its enduring light.

Legacy lives in whispers and song,
In memories cherished, forever strong,
Through acts of love and deeds so kind,
A timeless gift left behind.

For in the heart of nature's song,
Courage and bravery belong,
In life, in rest, they find their way,
A timeless dance, come what may.

*Hollie Bowkett,
Parkfield School 2026*

HYMN

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory,
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy,
Send forth your word Lord,
and let there be light!*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness;
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine...

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory;
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine...

**COMMENDATION
AND FAREWELL**

BLESSING

The congregation is invited to remain seated
and enjoy a moment of reflection while
Emma's Family and Godparents
of Ella and Jack leave for the committal.

**MUSIC TO
ACCOMPANY EMMA**

Nimrod
Edward Elgar

CLOSING MUSIC

"Meet the Family"
Carl Davis

*(Theme music from BBC's mini-series
'Pride and Prejudice')*

Ella, Jack and their Family would like to thank all those who have taken part today and everyone at St Peter's, who has made our service such a fitting farewell to Emma.

In particular thank you to Rev'd Christabel Ager who has led us in prayer and has been part of Emma's spiritual journey from her school days.

May we also express our heartfelt thanks to all who have sent words of support and condolence during recent times.

Our family is founded upon Love and Friendship and we so value those close at hand and further afield who have been there to support Emma and her immediate family, helping us find courage and strength over the past two years. Thank You.



Disney, Florida



Christmas at Warwick Castle

MEMORIES MADE



Taylor Swift, Wembley



Bodiam Castle, Kent



Ella, Jack and their grandparents invite you to join them after the service for light refreshments and an opportunity to share happy memories together in the very place where Emma was most at peace: The Stable Yard, Summerleaze, Curland. It is just a short drive from the church and directions are available from the Funeral Directors.

Should you wish to commemorate Emma's life by making a donation, please use the retiring collection in the church, by sending direct to the Funeral Directors or by following the donation links at <https://emma.fiveoaks.uk>

Charities have been selected reflecting Emma's desire to help others in the future who may suffer her cruel illness. **The Eve Appeal** (promoting research into ovarian and other gynaecological cancers) and **Love Musgrove – Beacon Centre Fund** (caring for cancer patients in Somerset).



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SIMON HELLAR-MOORE

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