

Celebration of Life
Memorial Service for Donald Burr Gratz
January 31, 1950 – March 30, 2022



April 9, 2022
1:00 PM
Wellesley Village Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

All hymns are found in the Pilgrim (Red) hymnal.

** Please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE "Blessed Are They That Mourn" from *Ein deutsches Requiem, Op. 45*
Johannes Brahms, arr. J.W. Phillips

WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Sarah Sarchet Butter

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN NO. 391** "Be Thou My Vision"

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

Michelle LeBlanc, Curry College colleague

Phil Wallas, friend

Bill Stotnik, colleague & friend, Community Training Assistance Center

Julie & Jenny, daughters

CHORAL ANTHEM "Cantique de Jean Racine" *Gabriel Fauré*
Sanctuary Choir
Dr. Kevin McDonald, Director

READINGS *(Please see insert.)*

"The Road Goes Ever On" from *The Lord of the Rings* *J. R. R. Tolkien*

Scripture Matthew 5: 1-9, 14-16

HOMILY The Rev. Dr. James M. Weiss

ANTHEM "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place"
Sanctuary Choir
Kevin McDonald, Director

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & 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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and forever.
Amen.

*HYMN NO. 181 “Alleluia! The Strife is O’er”

*COMMENDATION & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Benedictus, Op. posth.” (ca. 1880) *Gabriel Fauré*

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*Wellesley Village Church welcomes Don’s family and friends
for this time of sacred memorial.
Following the service, please join the family in Village Common
to share in refreshments, continued remembrance and celebration.
Interment will be at Forest Hills Cemetery, Boston, at a later date.*

Officiant: The Rev. Dr. James M. Weiss, Associate Professor, Boston College
Officiant: The Rev. Dr. Sarah Sarchet Butter, Sr. Pastor, Wellesley Village Church
Organist: Kristjon Imperio
Choir: Wellesley Village Church Sanctuary Choir; Dr. Kevin McDonald, Director



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