

As above, so below, as within, so without.

As the universe, so the soul...

– Hermes Trismegistus



Thank you all for joining us today and for being part of our lives. Your love and support has carried us through this difficult journey and lifted us up when we were down. We are so very grateful!



The family invites you to join them for a light lunch in the Fellowship Hall following the service



A celebration of the Life of Christopher John Flisher



April 1, 1952 – February 3, 2022

**First Parish Church of Stow & Acton
Stow, Massachusetts**

A Celebration of the Life of Christopher John Flisher

February 19, 2022

Gathering Music	Sanghee Kim, Piano
Prelude	<i>Prelude, J.S. Bach</i> , Sanghee Kim, Piano
Welcome & Opening Words	Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum
Chalice Lighting	Kenneth Wood, Brother-in-Law
Candle Lighting	Sue Purchon, Ben, Ryan & Miles Flisher
Reading	Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Let Us Be Honest With Death, by Rev. A. Powell Davies

Let us be honest with death.

Let us not pretend that it is less than it is.

It is separation. It is sorrow. It is grief.

But let us neither pretend that death is more than it is.

It is not annihilation.

As long as memory endures, Chris' influence will be felt.

It is not an end to love -

humanity's need for love from each of us is boundless.

It is not an end to joy and laughter --

nothing would less honor one so vibrant

than to make our lives drab in counterfeit respect!

Let us be honest with death, for in that honesty

we will understand Chris better and understand

ourselves more deeply

Moment of Silent Prayer or Meditation

Music *All Things Must Pass*, George Harrison, Sanghee Kim, Piano

Reading

Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Author -Thich Naht Hahn

This body is not me. I am not limited by this body.

I am life without boundaries.

I have never been born, and I have never died.

*Look at the ocean and the sky filled with stars,
manifestations from my wondrous true mind.*

Since before time, I have been free.

*Birth and death are only doors through which we pass,
sacred thresholds on our journey.*

Birth and death are a game of hide and seek.

*So laugh with me, hold my hand, let us say good-bye,
say good-bye, to meet again soon.*

We meet today. We will meet again tomorrow.

We will meet at the source every moment.

We meet each other in all forms of life.

Prayer

Father Ned Prevost

Blessing

Susan Mau, Sister

Musical Interlude

Sanghee Lee, Piano

In Memoriam

Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Remembrances

Patrick Lowe, Friend
Ryan Flisher, Son
Sue Purchon, Partner

Closing Words

Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Postlude

God Only Knows, Beach Boys, Sanghee Lee, piano

Ringing of the Bell

Family members

*It is a tradition at First Parish Church to ring our
church bell once for every year of a person's life*

