

Growing Old

Fast and even faster
Time will speed along
When one's growing older
The brakes will not go on.

Looking back at memories,
so many one can tell,
Life is such a mixture
Sorrow, joy as well.

Turning back the pages,
To childhood long before,
A year? It seemed for ever,
Could be even more!

Parents who were loving,
As their children grew
Siblings as companions
I had quite a few!

Learning always foremost
From early A.B.C.
Proud acquisitions, more each day
Ambitions in the classroom for family, you see.

Later came decisions,
A career to choose for life?
Many possibilities,
But what about a wife?

That was my direction,
And happiness it brought
But still there were decisions
And answers to be sought.

Now widowhood becomes my lot,
Another stage in life,
Make the best of loneliness
No longer as a wife.

Faster and even faster time speeds along,
When one is growing older –
With no brakes on.

Philippa Wyber
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Summer Music

The lunchtime organ recital concert on Tuesday 19th July will be given by Benjamin Sheen, a very talented pupil from Eton College where he is a Music Scholar. Do come and hear him; he is destined for great things.

The recitalist on August Bank Holiday Monday (29th August) is Daniel Cook, at present Assistant Organist at Westminster Abbey. Again, this is a concert not to be missed. We hope to offer tea/coffee and biscuits before both of these recitals, from 12.15pm.

Celia Yeo.

Welcome

If after church, you wait a while,
Someone may greet you with a smile;
But if you quickly rise and flee,
We'll all seem cold and stiff, maybe.
The one beside you in the pew
Is perhaps a stranger too;
All here, like you, have fears and cares,
All of us need each other's prayers.
In fellowship we bid you meet
With us, around God's Mercy Seat.

From Grasmere Church

