

AN AMERICAN HYMN

(Theme from *East of Eden*)

I have seen a summer day,
That slowly opens like a rose,
Along a quiet road that wanders by,
And I have smiled and wondered where it goes.

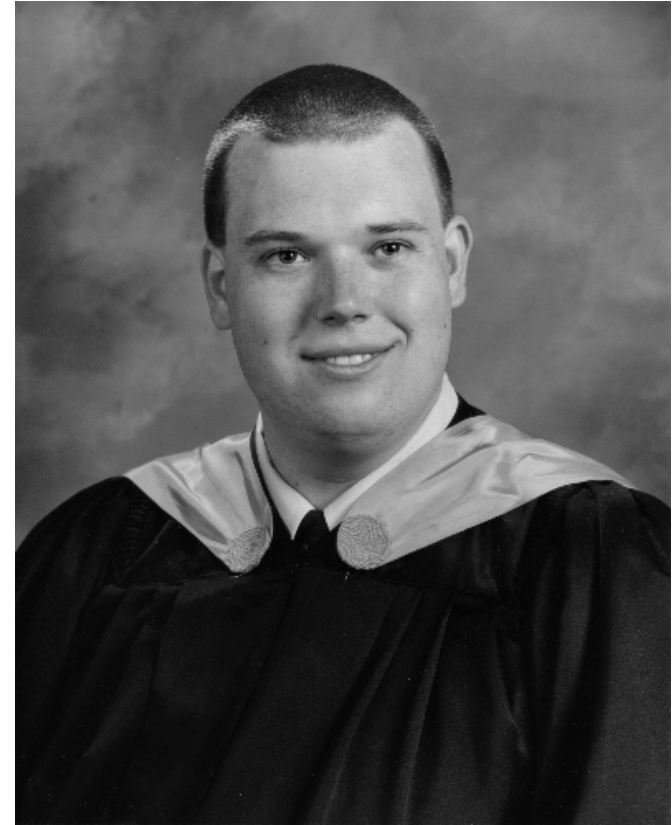
I have stumbled through the night,
Alone as any man can be,
Then found a silent canyon full of stars,
And in my heart I heard them telling me
I was home.

The gentle winds,
The rains that fall,
The tallest trees,
I'm part of it all

I've see the silver mountain tops,
And golden prairies on my way,
Now everywhere I go across the land,
I stand so proudly in the sun and say
I am home.

I've dreamed of Eden all my life,
I find it more and more each day,
Now everywhere I go across the land,
I stand so proudly in the sun and say
I am home.

MEMORIAL SERVICE CELEBRATION OF LIFE



**John Carling Fraser
1977 – 2003**

First Unitarian Church of Victoria
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JOHN CARLING FRASER

- Born May 27, 1977 in Vancouver, BC.
- Died unexpectedly of natural causes in Victoria, BC on September 3, 2003 at the age of 26.
- John's ashes will be buried in a cemetery in Langley in a private family ceremony.
- There will be a reception in the church hall after the memorial service. Everyone is invited to stay to renew old friendships, share some tears and laughs, and raise a glass in John's memory.
- Many of John's bears are looking for new homes. Look for the adoption table.
- A web page celebrating John's life has been created. The address is:
<http://www.sfu.ca/~bfraser/john>

NATIVE AMERICAN PRAYER

I give you this one thought to keep,
I am with you still, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain,
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush,
I am the swift, uplifting rush
of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not think of me as gone,
I am with you still, in each new dawn.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

Michael Fraser, Piano

OPENING WORDS

CHALICE LIGHTING

HYMN: "Love Will Guide Us"
Congregation will stand to sing

JOHN'S LIFE JOURNEY (Biography)
Bob Reimer

PERSONAL REMEMBRANCES

Dr. David Levin
Tim Doherty
Stan Collier
Other friends

SILENT MEDITATION

PRAYER: "Native American Prayer"
Read by congregation (see opposite page)

RECORDED MUSIC

"An American Hymn" (Theme from *East of Eden*)
Sung by Placido Domingo
(Words are on back page of this Order of Service)

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

Aliscia Mikkelsen, Piper