

An Order of Service for Remembrance Sunday

Please keep 2 metre distance between yourselves and others

The Introduction

We are here to worship Almighty God, whose purposes are good; whose power sustains the world he has made; who loves us, though we have failed in his service; who gave Jesus Christ for the life of the world; who by his Holy Spirit leads us in his way. As we give thanks for his great works, we remember those who have lived and died in his service and in the service of others; we pray for all who suffer through war and are in need; we ask for his help and blessing that we may do his will, and that the whole world may acknowledge him as Lord and King.

Act of Penitence

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world; its pride, its selfishness, its greed; its evil divisions and hatreds. Let us confess our share in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for his children.

After a short silence, all say

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. we have not loved you with our whole heart. we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. in your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Bible Reading – Psalm 46

This is the word of the Lord *All say* **Thanks be to God.**

Address

Act of Remembrance

Minister

Jesus said "Greater love has no-one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends".

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping

Those who have died for their country in war; Those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; And all who have lived and died in the service of mankind...

Names are read –

Wreath(es) are laid.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

All: We will remember them.

The Last Post is sounded, followed by two minutes of silence, ending with Reveille.

Adult: When you go home, tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today.

Minister: Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

Intercessions

Lord in your mercy All say **Hear our prayer.** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, infinite in wisdom, love and power: have compassion on those for whom we pray; and help us to use all suffering in the cause of your kingdom; through him who gave himself for us on the cross, Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord. **Amen**

Act of Commitment

Minister

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men and women: that we may help, encourage, and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of the nations.

All say together Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all mankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name. Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us faithful now and always, Amen.

Strengthen our hearts, and hands, and minds, O Lord, to work together for peace; to see you in one another; and to seek your kingdom above all things; that your will may be seen to be done and your kingdom come, through Jesus Christ, the Lord of lords and King of kings. **Amen.**

As we ask that God's will may be done in this and every place, so we pray together as Jesus Christ has taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen! long live our noble Queen! God save the Queen! send her victorious, happy and glorious, long to reign over us, God save the Queen.

Blessing

God grant to the living grace, the departed rest, the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth and all the world peace and concord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Thank you for coming along to this special Remembrance Sunday Service. Please take this service sheet home with you.