



WELCOME AND NOTICES

CALL TO WORSHIP (REV TOM KISITU)

We gather today to give thanks, through this Act of Remembrance. Remembrance Sunday is a time for us all as a nation to acknowledge corporately the sacrifice of those who have gone before us this year into God's hands, whether national figures, such as The Queen, or our loved ones; people who were important figures in our civic, military and private lives. This time allows us to focus on those whom we will miss most, while at the same time saluting those who gave their lives serving our country in the cause of the freedom we enjoy.

In this sanctuary, we remember all our loved ones, including those whose names are etched upon this memorial: May they rest in peace, and rise in glory. May our time of remembrance inspire us to be peacemakers in our own time.

Those we gather to remember and to give thanks to God for inspire us to live well ourselves. Jesus is our ultimate example and friend in this moment of remembrance, in this journey of life which, as we sing in the hymn of that name,

"...may be easy, may be hard, there will be danger on the way. But with Christ at my side I'll do battle as I ride 'gainst the foe that will lead me astray."

So we gather in Christ, and as family, church, community and friends, to remember those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in defending the freedoms under which we in the United Kingdom are privileged to live.

We gather to pray for those who carry loss in their hearts and those who still bear the scars of conflict in body, mind and spirit. We think of all

those who have recently lost loved ones and those who walk a path of suffering with those in pain from illness. We gather to pray for the healing touch of the risen Christ to fall upon all of them and ask that they may know the reassurance of faith, that in and through Christ Jesus all things will be made new.

PRAYER OF APPROACH (REV NIKKI KIRKLAND)

Gather us into Your presence, God of peace. We trust that Your vision for the world – the great creation of Your imagination, entrusted to us as a place for our flourishing – is still there behind all the challenges of our lives.

We come today remembering that even in the darkest of days, Your flame of hope and new life flickers drawing us on to find the good and to illuminate the world with Your Gospel of love.

Help us to find You in the smallest of things and the most ordinary of our experiences. For You are the great source of our being and the power that sustains us through Your Holy Spirit. When we search hard for You, we may miss Your presence in the everyday – so, help us to look out for You – in the face of friend and stranger, in the wonder and beauty of our world, in the complexity of design in the creativity of artist and scientist.

All: We arise today with the power of God to guide us, the might of God to uphold us, the wisdom of God to teach us, the eye of God to watch over us, the ear of God to hear us, the word of God to give us speech, the hand of God to protect us, the way of God to direct us, the shield of God to shelter us, and the host of God to defend us. Be with us, O God, as we offer to you our remembering.

HYMN: DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gaLXareuJNM>

1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind
Forgive our foolish ways
Reclothe us in our rightful mind
In purer lives Thy service find
In deeper reverence praise
In deeper reverence praise
2. In simple trust like theirs who heard
Beside the Syrian sea
The gracious calling of the Lord
Let us like them without a word
Rise up and follow Thee
Rise up and follow Thee
3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!
interpreted by love!
- 4 Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace
the beauty of thy peace.
4. Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm
Let sense be dumb let flesh retire
Speak through the earthquake wind and fire
O still small voice of calm
O still small voice of calm

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OPENING PRAYER (NAVIGATOR)

We come together today to remember:

- To remember with thanks those who have given their lives in service of others.
- To remember with sadness the suffering, destruction and pain caused by human conflict.

We come also to commit ourselves to be peacemakers and peacekeepers wherever and whenever we can. God of peace, love and justice, take our thanksgiving and our rage as we share in your work of making peace. Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth, from despair to peace. Let your peace fill our hearts, our world and our universe. In Jesus' name, Amen.



HYMN: ALL MY HOPE ON GOD IS FOUNDED
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DohxO6ytsaU>

1. All my hope on God is founded
He will still my trust renew
Through all change and chance He'll guide me
Only good and only true
God unknown He alone
Calls my heart to be His own
2. Human pride and earthly glory
Sword and crown betray our trust
Though with care and toil we build them
Tower and temple fall to dust
But God's power hour by hour
Is my temple and my tower
3. Day by day the Almighty Giver
Blesses us with gifts of love
Pleasing Him our souls find pleasure
Leading to our home above
Love doth stand at His hand
Joy doth wait on His command
4. Still from earth to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ His Son
Hear His call one and all
Those who follow shall not fall.



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MINISTER (TOM):

*They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted.
They fell with their faces to the foe.*

3rd Stanza of For the Fallen by Laurence Binyon

BAGPIPES (FLOWERS OF THE FOREST)

SILENCE: 11:00 – 11:02AM

REVEILLE

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=59YzSXHeXxc>

TRYST (GORDON MACDONALD MSP)

When you go home, tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today. They went with songs to the battle, they were young, straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow. They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted. 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.

Congregation responds: We will remember them.

LAYING OF WREATHS AT THE MEMORIAL

PRAYER (JOHN WALLACE)

As wreaths are placed at the memorial, close to the altar, 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 their fellows, seeking justice and peace.

Loving Father, those who have been to war rarely talk about it; Those who haven't, struggle to understand it. In this season of remembrance, we try to bridge the gap. Help us never to forget the horror of war of lives lost, of people changed of physical injury, and mental health problems of homes lost, and cities destroyed. Help us to give thanks for courage in adversity, for those who went above and beyond the call of duty, for acts of self-sacrifice, that others might live. May we resolve to work for peace, to build bridges, for their sake, for our sake, for everyone's sake. Amen

A prayer for Remembrance Sunday from Very Rev Colin Sinclair, former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

COMMITMENT TO PEACE (TOM)

(In addition to an Act of Remembrance, I invite you all hear present to join many others worldwide to in making this commitment to give peace a chance.)

All: We fall silent on this day because we never wish to forget or return to days where every family, every community is touched by the plague of war and death. In remembering the sacrifices made on our behalf, we are asked to be the change which our world so desperately needs.

Minister: To that end, silence is not enough, it must be matched by our actions. I therefore ask you the following three questions, trusting that in answering "I will" we might together build kingdom of peace.

Minister: Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: I will.

Minister: Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All: I will.

Minister: Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All: I will.

Minister: May God help us all to fulfil these promises.

All: Amen

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
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.

BIBLE READING:

REFLECTION (NIKKI)

OFFERING/ REMEMBRANCE HYMN

by Tim Chester and others

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rbBZdarVx04>

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS (NIKKI)

HYMN: O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yKP_XxCBDZY

NATIONAL ANTHEM

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sHTdkG8H0M>

God save our gracious King
Long live our noble King
God save the King!
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign.
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the King.



BENEDICTION

Now, we go forth from this place with renewed inspiration to do the work of God. May we seek good, not evil, love goodness and establish justice. This the greatest offering we can make; letting justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. We go in peace, with love from our neighbours

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ...

VIDEO AFTER THE SERVICE:

BECAUSE HE LIVES I CAN FACE TOMORROW

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W00IPxg4xQ>