

Welcome to Service of the Word on Remembrance Sunday

9th November 2025

The National Anthem

- 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.
- 2. 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.

Sentences from Scripture

God is our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble.

(Psalm 46)

I lift up my eyes to the hills – from whence will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

(Psalm 121)

This I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning. (Lamentations 3)

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? (Micah 6)

A Litany

From all fear and prejudice, bitterness, and all hardness of heart, **Lord, deliver us.**

From all spite, revenge, and destructive anger, Lord, deliver us.

From the desire to dominate others, to impose our will, and from all feelings of superiority, **Lord, deliver us.**

Open our hearts towards our neighbour, and help us to work together for the common good. Lord, hear us and help us.

Strengthen us to stand for all that is just and true and right. Lord, hear us and help us.

Grant that we may come to understand our enemies, Lord, hear us and help us.

Bring release to those with abiding memories of hurt and injury Lord, hear us and help us.

Lord grant us the grace to receive forgiveness, and to forgive as we are forgiven.

Lord, hear us and help us.

Comfort all those who mourn, the troubled, and all who call upon you in their distress.

Lord, hear us and help us.

Guide the leaders of the nations and those who work for peace, make us all subject to Christ's just and gentle rule.

Lord, hear us and help us.

Hymn: Abide With Me

Readings

Hebrews 10: 11-25 &

John 15: 9 - 17

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn: Eternal Father, strong to save

Sermon

Act of Remembrance

Dear God,

Before whom generations rise and fall, have mercy on human foolishness and failure. When greed, fear and jealousy prevail over love and understanding, forgive those sins that lead to war.

Almighty God, today we remember.

We remember the courage of men and women who resisted evil and stood for justice. We remember those who stand today, and we ask you to watch over them. Help us to value the freedom won for us. Help us to use it wisely, gratefully, and pass it on to generations to come, as a legacy of peace and hope.

In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

Music for Reflection: Nimrod

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.

We will remember them.

The Last Post & 2 minute silence

Reveille

The leader says:

Ever-living God we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Hymn: O God our help in ages past

Prayers of Intercession

These responses may be said: Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

At the end:
Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers,
for the sake of your Son our Saviour,
Jesus Christ.
Amen.

As we ask for deliverance from the forces of destruction, so we pray in the words that Jesus gave us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.
Amen.

Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,

Father, forgive.

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own, **Father, forgive.**

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth,

Father, forgive.

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others, **Father, forgive.**

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee,

Father, forgive.

The lust which dishonours the bodies of men, women and children, **Father, forgive.**

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God,

Father, forgive.

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Hymn: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind/

The Things That Make for Peace

The Blessing (in church)

God grant to the living, grace, to the departed, rest, to the Church, the King, and the Commonwealth, unity, peace and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life ever-lasting.

And the blessing ...

Exit Music (for those going outside): Be still my soul

Hymn: Praise my soul the King of heaven/The Things That

Make For Peace

Dismissal (at the memorial)

Go in peace to love and to service the Lord In the name of Christ Amen

Exit Music: Be still my soul