

An Order of Service for Remembrance Sunday



St. James' Church, Trowbridge
10th November 2024
9.45am

The Gathering and Welcome

I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.

Psalm 121:1-2

Hymn: Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

Standards received during the hymn

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven!
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Alleluia, Alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:

Alleluia, Alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace.

Henry Francis Lyte (1793 – 1847)

Bidding

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 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 God's help and blessing that we may do his will, and that the whole world may acknowledge him as Lord and King.

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: 21 – 23

***All* We praise and thank you, O Lord, for all your goodness to us in the time that is past; for the many blessings you have showered upon us, for your great mercy, and for your protection in times of danger. Accept our praise and thanksgiving in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Now let us remember how God's loving purposes are thwarted by our misuse of his gifts and by our neglect of his commands: and let us keep silence as we ask for his forgiveness.

Silence is kept

All Grant, we pray, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people, pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

1st Reading: *Psalm 62*

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn: *O God our help in ages past*

O God our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of thy throne,
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

O God our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts (1674 - 1748)

2nd Reading: *Mark 1:14-20*

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *The Revd Jake Eggertsen*
 Rector of St James' Trowbridge

Prayers

Including the Lord's Prayer

All **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 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.**

Our Commitment

Let us pledge ourselves to the service of God and our neighbours, that we may help, encourage and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of those in need and for the peace and welfare of the nations.

All **Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all people 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.**

Hymn: *Lord, for the years*

Standards are returned during the hymn

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world; when we disown and doubt you,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)

The Blessing

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.

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.



Act of Remembrance

Each year the children of St. James conduct their own act of remembrance for those who died in war and conflicts. The crosses displayed at the rail bear the names of all those engraved on the Trowbridge War Memorial. The children have also made crosses with poppies to stand in between the large crosses as well as a cross that bears the names of some of the soldiers from the War Memorial. They will throw poppy petals one for each name on the Memorial before standing in silence to reflect on the sacrifice of all those who have died in conflicts to enable us to live in peace and freedom.

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 retiring collection will go to the Royal British Legion

