REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
8TH NOVEMBER 2026



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

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

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.

HYMN *(during the first verse the flags will be presented)*
(Tune:Tell out my Soul)

O valiant hearts who to your glory came
through dust of conflict and through battle flame;
tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,
your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war
as who had heard God's message from afar;
all you had hoped for, all you had, you gave,
to save mankind - yourselves you scorned to save.

Splendid you passed, the great surrender made;
into the light that nevermore shall fade;
deep your contentment in that blest abode,
who wait the last clear trumpet-call of God.

Long years ago, as earth lay dark and still,
rose a loud cry upon a lonely hill,
while in the frailty of our human clay,
Christ, our Redeemer, passed the self-same way.

Still stands his Cross from that dread hour to this,
like some bright star above the dark abyss;
still, through the veil, the Victor's pitying eyes
look down to bless our lesser Calvaries.

These were his servants, in his steps they trod,
following through death the martyred Son of God:
Victor, he rose; victorious too shall rise
they who have drunk his cup of sacrifice.

O risen Lord, O Shepherd of our dead,
whose cross has bought them and whose staff has led,
in glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land
commits her children to thy gracious hand.

ACT OF PENITENCE

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

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.

GOD'S FORGIVENESS

1ST READING – ***James 3:13-18***

HYMN ***(offertory hymn)***
God is our strength and refuge, our present help in trouble,
and we therefore will not fear, though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble.
Though swirling waters are raging,
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

There is a flowing river, Within God's holy city;
God is in the midst of her - she shall not be moved!
God's help is swiftly given, thrones vanish at his presence -
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

Come, see the works of our maker, learn of his deeds all-powerful;
wars will cease across the world when he shatters the spear!
Be still and know your creator, uplift him in the nations
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore

2ND READING – ***John 13:34-35***

ADDRESS

PRAYERS
Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict, and ask that God may give us peace:
for the service men and women who have died in the violence of war, each one remembered by and known to God;
May God give peace *All* **God give peace**

for those who love them in death as in life, offering the distress of our grief and the sadness of our loss;
May God give peace *All* **God give peace**

for all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return;

May God give peace *All* **God give peace**

for civilian women, children and men whose lives are disfigured by war or terror, calling to mind in penitence the anger and hatreds of humanity; for peace-makers and peace-keepers, who seek to keep this world secure and free;
May God give peace *All* **God give peace**

for all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military and religious; asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve in the search for reconciliation and peace.
May God give peace *All* **God give peace**

O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish, and those whose names we will never know.
Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world, and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm. As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All join together in 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 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

ROLL OF HONOUR – *Roger Sherburn-Hall*

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE AND ROLL OF HONOUR

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.
Response
We will remember them.

ACT OF COMMITMENT *All Stand*

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace? **We will**
Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? **We will**
Will you work for a just future for all humanity? **We will**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love:
May we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people,
And live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer. **Amen.**

HYMN

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;

Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.
(during the last verse the flags will be received back)

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!

EXIT TO WAR MEMORIAL FOR ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

OUTSIDE AT THE WAR MEMORIAL

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE – Led by Reverend Yann Dubreuil
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.

LAYING OF WREATHS

THE KOHIMA EPITAPH – Terry Eamey Chairman of The Royal British Legion - Headley Branch

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

The Last Post is played.
Here follows The Silence.
The Reveille is played.

FINAL BLESSING - **Led by Reverend Yann Dubreuil**
God grant to the living grace,
the departed rest,
the Church, the King,
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.