

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

10th November, 2019

at

Memorial Gateway 10.40am

in

St Magnus Cathedral 11.15am

Minister - Rev Fraser Macnaughton M.A., B.D., Dip; C.P.C.

Choirmaster – Michael Bell Organist – Iain Campbell

In the event of wet weather, the above ceremony will take place within the Cathedral at 10.40am

The offering today will be donated to the Royal British Legion Kirkwall Branch

REMEMBRANCE ORDER OF SERVICE 2019

The congregation is invited to say the words in **bold** print.

WELCOME AND CALL TO REMEMBRANCE GATHERING MUSIC

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE AND SILENCE

All; We light the candle to remember those who have died and those who have suffered in war.

We remember the rebuilding that comes after war.

We light the candle for the hope that comes in the rebuilding.

HYMN 702 Lord, in love and perfect wisdom

[during which colours enter]

- 1 Lord, in love and perfect wisdom times and seasons you arrange, working out your changeless purpose in a world of ceaseless change; you have formed our ancient nation, guiding it through all the days, to unfold in it your purpose to your glory and your praise.
- 2 To our shores remote, benighted, barrier of the western waves, tidings in your love you sent us, tidings of the cross that saves.

 Saints and heroes strove and suffered here your gospel to proclaim; we the heirs of their endeavour, tell the honour of their name.
- 3 You maintain your ageless purpose every change and chance above; still your holy Church is bearing witness to your changeless love.

 Grant us vision, Lord, and courage to fulfil your work begun; in the Church and in the nation, King of kings, your will be done.

OPENING RESPONSES [remain standing]

Leader; As the day folds up all its memories of silence

All; May what remains be the unusual truth of love

Leader; As the light slips away and the flags are taken down

All; May what remains be the space left of those that gave

PRAYER OF THE DAY [ALL SIT] READING

FROM "FOR THE FALLEN' BY LAWRENCE BINYON

Solemn the drums thrill; Death august and royal Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres,
There is music in the midst of desolation
And a glory that shines upon our tears.

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.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years contemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

But where our desires are and our hopes profound,
Felt as a well-spring that is hidden from sight,
To the innermost heart of their own land they are known
As the stars are known to the Night;

As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust,
Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain;
As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,
To the end, to the end, they remain.

HYMN 707 HEALING RIVER OF THE SPIRIT

Healing river of the Spirit, bathe the wounds that living brings. Plunge our pain, our sin, our sadness deep within your sacred springs. Weary from the restless searching that has lured us from your side, We discover in your presence peace that world cannot provide.

Wellspring of the healing Spirit, stream that flows to bring release, As we gain our selves, our senses, may our lives reflect your peace. Grateful for the flood that heals us, may your church enact your grace. As we meet both friend and stranger, may we see our Saviour's face.

Living stream that heals the nations, make us channels of your pow'r.

All the world is torn by conflict; wars are raging at this hour.

Saving Spirit, move among us; guide our winding human course,

Till we find our way together, flowing homeward to our source.

REMEMBRANCE AFFIRMATION

[said all standing]

L; Isaiah said: "It shall come to pass that the peoples shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

All; This is our vision: That a world of harmony and peace will replace our world of injustice and war.

L; Jesus said: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God."

All; This is our calling: To know God's ways of peace, and so to make peace, in our family and community, our nation and world.

L; Paul said: "In Christ God was reconciling the world ... not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation."

All; This is our faith: That in Jesus, we meet the God who makes peace with our wayward and hurting world; and that by this reconciling love, we are moved to bridge the chasms of fear and estrangement. May it be so.

READING

AMOS 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24

These are the words of Amos, a shepherd from the town of Tekoa. Two years before the earthquake, when Uzziah was king of Judah and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel, God revealed to Amos all these things about Israel.

Amos said,

"The LORD roars from Mount Zion; his voice thunders from Jerusalem.

The pastures dry up, and the grass on Mount Carmel turns brown."

Make it your aim to do what is right, not what is evil, so that you may live. Then the LORD God Almighty really will be with you, as you claim he is. Hate what is evil, love what is right, and see that justice prevails in the courts. Perhaps the LORD will be merciful to the people of this nation who are still left alive. The LORD says, "I hate your religious festivals; I cannot stand them! When you bring me burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; I will not accept the animals you have fattened to bring me as offerings. Stop your noisy songs; I do not want to listen to your harps. Instead, let justice flow like a stream, and righteousness like a river that never goes dry.

ANTHEM

Sharing the Peace [all stand]

'Every Sunday, in this Cathedral, we have a very special time when we greet each other in love and friendship. We welcome everyone who worships here - by shaking hands and saying to each other,' Peace be with you.'

L. Let us take a moment to celebrate each other.

The peace of God is here... to stay.

All; Thanks be to God.

ADDRESS

Time for reflection and uplifting of the offering

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All; We give thanks for the rich blessings we have received and the many gifts to us. May these offerings of money be an expression of our gratitude and our care and concern for others. AMEN

HYMN 357 'This is my will, my new command'

- 1. This is my will, my one command, That love should dwell among you all. This is my will, that you should love As I have shown that I love you.
- 2. No greater love can any haveThan that one die to save his friends.You are my friends if you obeyWhat I command that you should do.
- 3. I call you now no longer slaves; No slave knows all the master does. I call you friends, for all I hear My Father say, you hear from me.
- 4. You chose not me, but I chose you,
 That you should go and bear much fruit.
 I chose you out that you in me
 Should bear much fruit that will abide.
- 5. All that you ask my Father dear For my name's sake you shall receive. This is my will, my one command, That love should dwell in each, in all.

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

All sing; Bless the Lord my soul, and bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord my soul, he rescues me from death

THE CANDLE OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE IS LIT
All sing: Bless the Lord my soul, and bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord my soul, he leads me into life

PRAYERS OF REMEMBRANCE

HYMN 786 May the God of peace go with us... [repeated]

[during which colours are returned]

May the God of peace go with us as we travel from this place; may the love of Jesus keep us firm in hope and full of grace.

SENDING OUT

L; God renews our vision and makes us strong, All; We go with hope to dream and to sing.

L; Christ calls us on and shows the way

All; We go with determination, to struggle and to choose.

L;The Spirit accompanies us as we walk, All; We go in peace to love and to serve.

BENEDICTION [remain standing]

CHORAL AMEN [remain standing]

NATIONAL ANTHEM [remain standing]

EXTROIT IN REMEMBRANCE {A. Cant}

During which colours leave Cathedral

The service will be followed by the Sacrament of Baptism celebrated in the St Rognvald Chapel, to which all are welcome.

