

All Age Eucharist Remembrance Sunday



St Alphege Parish Church, Solihull

Sunday 10th November 2024 at 9.15am

THE GREETING

In my head (touch head) in my heart (touch heart) and all around me (touch shoulders one by one) Jesus is here (open hands in front, facing upwards) Amen.

We say together:

- All: In my head (touch head) in my heart (touch heart) and all around me (touch shoulders one by one) Jesus is here (open hands in front, facing upwards) Amen.
- President: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
- All and also with you.

Please sit

The President introduces the service.

Today is Remembrance Sunday, a day of reflection that allows us to think about all those people who are affected by wars, both in the past and now. And it reminds us how important it is to work for peace.

Remind everyone to keep paper poppies safe to lay at the altar later in the service.

Lord Jesus we come to you believing that your sacrifice offers us forgiveness:

We keep a moment of stillness...

We confess that we have not loved you with all of our hearts.

All sing Jesus Lord have mercy on us, Jesus Lord have mercy on us, Jesus Lord have mercy on us, Have mercy on us all.

We confess that we have not loved others as you have loved us.

All sing Christ our Lord have mercy on us, Christ our Lord have mercy on us, Christ our Lord have mercy on us, Have mercy on us all.

> We confess that we have not trusted you with our needs and have sometimes taken what belongs to other people.

All sing Jesus Lord have mercy on us, Jesus Lord have mercy on us, Jesus Lord have mercy on us, Have mercy on us all.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Lord, please wash us from our sins and help us to live differently. In Jesus' name.

All Amen.

COLLECT PRAYER

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GOSPEL SONG – HON 637 The Lord's my shepherd (v1, refrain, v2, refrain)

Please stand if you are able

GOSPEL READING: John 14:27

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John All Glory to you, O Lord.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

At the end of the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord. All Praise to you, O Christ

GOSPEL SONG – HON 637 The Lord's my shepherd (v3, refrain) Junior Choristers sit in the nave of the church

THE TALK Please sit

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

You are invited now to lay poppies at both side altars, you may wish to write a prayer on poppy or the name of someone or a country or situation that is on your mind and in your heart at the moment. Please come up the side aisles and return via the main centre aisle. Alternatively, you are invited to sit in silence as the band plays and we commend those who have died into the loving arms of God.

REMEMBRANCE SONG HON 230 Go peaceful

After silence:

Lord, we are sad when we think of war, of the soldiers who must fight and the people who are killed. Today we remember their sacrifice with great sadness. **We thank them for what they did for us.**

We also remember that they won for us a victory, that without their bravery our lives would have been so very different, without the freedom we enjoy. We thank them for what they did for us.

Jesus, we are sad, too, at the thought of your suffering, that you had to be a great hero, and walk to Jerusalem be arrested, tried and killed on the cross. **We thank you for what you did for us.**

But we remember that you won for us a victory, that on Easter morning you rose again, to help us overcome all that is wrong, so that we might rise again with you. We thank you for what you did for us. Amen

THE PEACE

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God. We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

We remain in our places and offer one another a sign of peace. Junior Choristers return to sit in the chancel

OFFERTORY SONG SoF 399 My peace I give unto you

My peace I give unto you, it's a peace that the world cannot give, it's a peace that the world cannot understand: peace to know, peace to live, My peace I give unto you.

My joy I give unto you, it's a joy that the world cannot give, it's a joy that the world cannot understand: joy to know, joy to live, My joy I give unto you.

My love I give unto you, it's a love that the world cannot give, it's a love that the world cannot understand: love to know, love to live, My love I give unto you.

Keith Routledge © 1975 Sovereign Music Children are invited forward to participate in the Eucharistic Prayer

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Blessed be God, who feeds the hungry, who raises the poor, who fills our praise. All Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord is here **All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts. All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Ist Young PersonWhy is it right to give thanks and praise?AllListen, and we will hear

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

 All sing Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of pow'r and God of might: heaven and earth, heaven and earth are full of your glory, your pow'r and might. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.

> Blessed, blessed is he who comes, blessed, blessed is he who comes; blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.

Please sit

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

2nd Young PersonWhy do we share this bread and wine?AllListen, and we will hear

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

3rd Young PersonHow do we follow Jesus Christ?AllListen, and we will hear

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with St Alphege... and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As God's children, loved and cherished, let us pray as Jesus taught 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

All join in singing:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

God's holy gifts, for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

We receive communion. We are all invited to draw near to God today.

If you, or your children, regularly receive the bread and wine at any Christian church, you are most welcome to do so today.

If you do not usually receive the bread and wine, or prefer not to do so today, you are invited to come forward to receive a prayer of blessing. If you do this, you may want to hold your hands together in prayer so that we know your intention.

During communion the Junior Choristers will sing HON 768 Jesus, remember me

COMMUNION SONG – HON 329 I will offer up my life

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen

The President gives out any notices.

Please stand if you are able

FINAL SONG – HON 353 Jesus put this song into our hearts

THE BLESSING

NOTICES

May God's joy be in our hearts. May God's peace be in our world. May God's love be known between us, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *All* Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *All* In the name of Christ. Amen.

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