An Order of Service for Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 9th November 2025

Buxton War Memorial The Slopes

10.50 am Service conducted by:

The Revd Andrew Parker & The Revd Sandra Doore

Music will be provided by Fairfield Band.

We are pleased to have the Buxton Community Choir, accompanying the hymns.



Please will you respectfully ensure that your mobile 'phone is either turned off or to silent. Thank you.

1. Jesus said, '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.'

John 14.27

2. Hymn:

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

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.

3. We have come together to before almighty God; to offer thanksgiving for our nation's deliverance in time of war; to bring to mind those who through death, injury or bereavement,

suffered to bring peace and freedom to our world; and to ask for strength to overcome evil and injustice wherever it is found.

4. Reading John 15:9 – 17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you.

5. Time for recollection

The Remembrance

A member of The Royal British Legion will say:

6. 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.

- 7. The Last Post
- 8. Two Minutes Silence
- 9. Reveille
- 10. Wreaths shall be laid.

While wreaths are laid, the Choir will sing a hymn, based on one familiar to many, through the stage production of "War Horse". The song - originally a Horatius Bonar hymn from the 19th century, is in remembrance of those who fell in Wartime.

Our response in Prayer

11. 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 us peace

All: God give us peace

For those who love them in death as in life, may they know your strength in their grief and the sadness of loss;

May God give us peace

All: God give us 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 us peace

All: God give us peace

Calling to mind in penitence, the anger and hatred of humanity. We pray for all civilians whose lives are disfigured by war. We pray for those who have been displaced or separated from loved ones due to conflict;

May God give us peace

All: God give us peace

For peace-makers and peace-keepers, who seek to keep this world secure and safe;

May God give us peace All: God give us peace

For all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military and religious; we pray for our government asking for wisdom and determination in the search for reconciliation and peace.

May God give us peace All: God give us peace

12. We 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.

13. Hymn:

Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The son, and him who reigns,
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Our Commitment

A member of The Royal British Legion will say:

14. The Kohima Epitaph

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

A young person will say:

15. Let us commit ourselves to creating a better world.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: We will

Will you work for kindness and respect in our community?

All: We will

Will you work for a just future for all people?

All: We will

16. 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.

Dismissal

17. May God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest and to us and all people, unity, peace and tolerance. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you all and remain with you always.

Let us go in peace, Amen.

Following the service, please join us for refreshments in The Conservatory, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton.