



High Peak Borough Council

Remembrance Sunday

12 November 2023

Hadfield War Memorial

10.50 am

Order of Service



to be conducted by Rev Chris Nowak
With music by Glossop Old Band

At the War Memorial

Introduction to the Act of Remembrance

Let us remember before God,
and commend to his safe 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 the peoples of the world.

The Last Post

The Two-Minute Silence,

Reveille

The Kohima Epitaph

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

The Past Mayor, Councillor Ollie Cross, followed by the Royal British Legion member who, having laid the wreath recites the Act of Homage:

REMEMBERING

An older person says:

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

Our young people reply:

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
we will remember them.

All affirm:

We will remember them.

Other wreathes are then laid, Churches, Associations, Scouts etc., followed by members of the public.

Ever-living God
we remember those whom you have gathered
from the storm of war into the peace of your presence;
may that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HYMN

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

Beneath 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 our years 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.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD FROM GOD

The reader says:

Hear these words from the New Testament, from the Gospel of John

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

And these words from the Letter of James:

The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

James 3:17-18

And these from the First Letter of John:

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.

1 John 1:5

RESPONDING IN PRAYER

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for the leaders of the nations,
that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice and truth.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

We pray for those who bear arms on behalf of the nation,
that we may have discipline and discernment,
courage and compassion.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm,
that you will turn the hearts of all to kindness and friendship.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

We pray for the wounded and the captive,
the grieving and the homeless,
that in all their trials they may know your love and support.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Most holy God and Father, hear our prayers for all
who strive for peace and all who fight for justice.
Help us, who today remember the cost of war,
to work for a better tomorrow; and,
as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict,
bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence;
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

RESPONDING IN HOPE AND COMMITMENT

The Act of Commitment

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.

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.

The Blessing

God grant to the living grace,
to the departed rest,
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth
and all people,
unity, peace and concord,
and to us and all God's servants,
life everlasting.

And the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you all
and remain with you always.

Amen.

***Following the service, please join us for refreshments at
Hadfield Hall***

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