



**The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
Remembrance Sunday
November 8, 2020**

Welcome

Minister I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.
(John 11.25, 26)

Prayer Eternal God, faithful in your tender compassion, you give us hope for our life here and hereafter through the victory of your only Son. When we share his cup of salvation, revive in us the joy of this everlasting gift. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Minister Let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Minister Most merciful God,

All We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Minister Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

God of peace and love, on this day, we once again gather to remember. We remember that in Jesus you have called us to be people of peace saying, "Blessed are the peacemakers" and reminding us that we are to love our neighbour and our enemy as we love ourselves. But we also acknowledge that there are times when we as a global community fail to live out those words, times when young men and women must serve their country in times of war.

Today we remember those who have died in the pursuit of peace. We give thanks for their bravery, their commitment and their love. Bless and protect those who continue to work for peace and freedom. Strengthen and comfort families that are separated today because of war. Send your Holy Spirit to war-torn areas that together we may strive for peace, justice and freedom. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

Father of all, we pray to you for all those we love, but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O Canada

"In Flanders Fields"

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
between the crosses, row on row,
that mark our place; and in the sky
the larks, still bravely singing, fly
scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
we lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow.
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
in Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
the torch: be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
in Flanders fields.

Last Post

Silence is kept for one minute

Reveille

Concluding Prayer

Minister Let us pray.

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Psalm 116.1-8

¹ I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication,
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

**² The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me;
I came to grief and sorrow.**

³ Then I called upon the name of the Lord:
“O Lord, I pray you, save my life.”

**⁴ Gracious is the Lord and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.**

⁵ The Lord watches over the innocent;
I was brought very low, and he helped me.

**⁶ Turn again to your rest, O my soul,
for the Lord has treated you well.**

⁷ For you have rescued my life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.

**⁸ I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Gospel Hymn - Ancient Words

The Reading: John 11.21-27

Reader A reading from the Gospel of John.

Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Mark Regis

Apostles' Creed

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and
was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day
he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at
the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Offertory - *Please take a moment to prayerfully present your financial offering to God.*

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious and righteous Lord, we are united in the love of Jesus Christ. Accept all we offer you this day, and bring us, with all your faithful people who have gone before us, into his eternal glory; who is Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

The Prayers

Minister The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Minister Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister Lord, have mercy upon us.

All 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 them that 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.

Minister O Lord, show your mercy upon us;
People **And grant us your salvation.**
Minister O Lord, guide those who govern us;
People **And lead us in the way of justice and truth.**
Minister Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People **And let your people sing with joy.**

Minister O Lord, save your people;
People **And bless your inheritance.**
Minister Give peace in our time, O Lord;
People **And defend us by your mighty power.**
Minister Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
Minister Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

Leader O Lord our God, in your mercy and kindness, no thought of ours is left unnoticed, no desire or concern ignored. You have proven that blessings abound when we fall on our knees in prayer, and so we turn to you in our hour of need. Surrounded by violence and cries for justice, we hear your voice telling us what is required, "Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God". Fill us with your mercy so that we, in turn, may be merciful to others. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, strip away pride, suspicion, and racism so that we may seek peace and justice in our communities. Strengthen our hearts so that they beat only to the rhythm of your holy will. Flood our path with your light as we walk humbly toward a future filled with encounter and unity. Be with us O Lord, in our efforts, for only by the prompting of your grace can we progress toward virtue. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gracious Lord, you are the comfort of those who mourn and the strength of those who suffer. We pray for those who are in any need and for those who have asked for our prayers....for Stella, Norma, Leah, John, Amini, the Smith family, and the Davies family, and for all those we name now, silently or aloud.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

In our prayers this week:

The Anglican Communion

The Church in the Province of the West Indies
The Most Revd Howard Gregory - Primate and Bishop of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands

The Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer

ACC The Principal, faculty, students, and staff of the Vancouver School of Theology
ELCIC The Principal-Dean, faculty, students, and staff of Martin Luther University College

Diocese of Toronto

Bishop Peter Fenty

Social Justice and Advocacy Committee:

The Sisters of St John the Divine; the Church of the Transfiguration; Trinity East (Little Trinity)
and their outreach activities.

The Church of St Mary and St Martha

In our parish cycle: Norma Achong; Ricardo Achong; Gerald Alexander and Rochell Harry-Alexander and Dylan, Darren and Dominique; Natasha Alexander and Wyatt

Celebrating a birthday: Dorrett Ulett

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