

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Prelude:

Introit:

WELCOME AND CHURCH NEWS:

Call to worship.

PRAISE: 740 FOR ALL THE SAINTS (1-4)

1 For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who Thee by faith before the world confessed;
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

3. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them, the victor's crown of gold

Alleluia, alleluia!

4. O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Call to Remembrance

CHILDREN'S TALK;

PRAISE; 692 Jesus put this song into our hearts

Verse 1

Jesus put this song into our hearts,

Jesus put this song into our hearts,

It's a song of joy no one can take away,
Jesus put this song
into our hearts.

Verse 2

Jesus taught us how to live in harmony,
Jesus taught us how to live in harmony,
Different faces, different races, He made us one,
Jesus taught us how to live
in harmony.

Verse 3

Jesus taught us how to be a family,
Jesus taught us how to be a family,
Loving one another with the love that He gives,
Jesus taught us how to be
a family.

Verse 4

Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing,
Jesus turned our sorrow into dancing,
Changed our tears of sadness into rivers of joy,
Jesus turned our sorrow
into a dance.

Children leave for Sunday School

BIBLE LESSON. Isaiah 64. 1-4

1. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains would tremble before you!
- 2 As when fire sets twigs ablaze
and causes water to boil,
come down to make your name known to your enemies
and cause the nations to quake before you!

3 For when you did awesome things that we did not expect,
you came down, and the mountains trembled before you.

4 Since ancient times no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who acts on behalf of those who wait for him.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION/meditation:

I am the way that stretches before you – I am the journey you are on
I am the present moment that you tread – I am the next place you stand upon
I am the air you breathe – I am of every part and of the whole
I am the love you cannot fall beyond – I am the inner silence of your soul.
I am the question that you ask – I am the answer that you crave
I am the reality of truth – I am the ever living thread that leaps the grave
I am all time in now – I am this moment to begin
I am that one that you have always known
I am the peace that you may dwell within

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PRAISE: 715 BEHOLD THE MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD.

1 Behold! the mountain of the Lord
in latter days shall rise
on mountain tops above the hills,
and draw the wondering eyes.

2 To this the joyful nations round,
all tribes and tongues, shall flow;
up to the hill of God, they'll say,
and to his house we'll go.

3 The beam that shines from Zion hill
shall lighten every land;

the King who reigns in Salem's towers
shall all the world command.

4 Among the nations he shall judge;
his judgements truth shall guide;
his sceptre shall protect the just,
and quell the sinner's pride.

5 No strife shall rage, nor hostile feuds
disturb those peaceful years;
to ploughshares men shall beat their swords,
to pruning-hooks their spears.

6 No longer hosts, encountering hosts,
shall crowds of slain deplore:
they hang the trumpet in the hall,
and study war no more.

7 Come then, O house of Jacob! come
to worship at his shrine;
and, walking in the light of God,
with holy beauties shine.

SERMON.

PRAISE WITH TIME FOR REFLECTION.

31 I WAITED PATIENTLY FOR GOD...

I waited patiently for God,
for God to hear my prayer;
and God bent down to where I sank
and listened to me there.

God raised me from a miry pit,
from mud and sinking sand,
and set my feet upon a rock

where I can firmly stand.

And on my lips a song was put,

a new song to the Lord.

Many will marvel, open-eyed,

and put their trust in God.

Great wonders you have done, O Lord,

all purposed for our good.

Unable every one to name,

I bow in gratitude.

Act of Remembrance:

Remember Ypres, Gallipoli, the Somme, Mons and Verdun. Remember the Western Desert, El Alamein, the Normandy beaches. Remember Coventry, Dresden, Hiroshima and the Burma Road. Remember Korea, Aden, the Falkland Islands, Northern Ireland, the Balkans, East Timor, Afghanistan and the Gulf.

Remember the courage, the comradeship, the ingenuity, the spirit of working together for a common cause, the planning together for a better world that would come with peace.

Remember the call to arms, the patriotic songs, the partings which were such sweet sorrow. The sound of the drum, the skirl of the pipe, the prayer that God would be on our side.

Remember the carnage; the colossal horror of war. Remember the widows of sixty years and more, the old men and women who never knew their fathers. Remember the love that was lost, the wisdom wasted, the minds that are still pained by memories. Remember the families bereft by recent wars and conflict.

Remember Ukraine. Remember Israel/Palestine

Remember this day the children who will die while nation fights nation. Remember the One who asked us to remember them.

Father, remember us; and forgive us our sins against you and our fellow man.

Let us remember before God 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 mankind.

The Ode 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.

The Silence

Prayer

Hymn 159 Lord for the years.

1 Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

2 Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.

3 Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

4 Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

5 Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Blessing and Sung Amen.

Postlude