

VETERANS OR REGIMENTAL SERVICE

Words in bold type are said by all. Words in normal type are said by a chaplain or reader. *Italics are for instructions*

HYMN

Colours and Standards may be presented.

INTRODUCTION

*(This is from the 2005 service
but with the paragraphs in reverse order)*

We meet in the presence of God.

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow
those whose lives,
in world wars and conflicts past and present,
have been given and taken away.

We pray for all
who in bereavement, disability and pain
continue to suffer the consequences of
fighting and terror.

We commit ourselves to work
in penitence and faith
for reconciliation between the nations,
that all people may, together,
live in freedom, justice and peace.

OPENING PRAYER

*(This is the prayer after the silence
from the 2005 service)*

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.

FIRST LESSON *Sit*

HYMN *Stand*

SECOND LESSON *Sit*

SERMON *Sit*

HYMN

INTERCESSION *Sit*

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 serve in the armed forces of the
Crown, that they 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 may 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 yearn 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

Gathering our prayers and remembrance into one,
let us pray with confidence
as our Saviour has taught us

**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**

HYMN *Stand*

*During this hymn Colours and Standards are returned to
the bearers in order that they may be dipped for the
silence and the National Anthem.*

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE *Stand*

The minister says

Let us remember before God,
and commend to his sure 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 humanity.

Another shall say:

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.

And all repeat **We will remember them.**

The Last Post The Silence. The Reveille.

Wreathlaying and other ceremonies.

Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted,
either by death or life:
Hear our prayers and thanksgivings
for all whom we remember this day;
fulfil in them the purpose of your love;
and bring us all, with them,
to your eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.

ACT OF COMMITMENT *Stand*

Let us commit ourselves
to responsible living
and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All say **We will**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All say **We will**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All say **We will**

Lord God our Father,
we pledge ourselves to serve you and all humanity,
in the cause of peace,
for the relief of want and suffering,
and for the praise of your name.
Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom;
give us courage;
give us hope;
and keep us faithful
now and always.
Amen.

NATIONAL ANTHEM *Stand*

**God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen.
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save the Queen.**

**Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour,
Long may she reign.
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the queen**

BLESSING *Stand*

God grant to the living, grace;
to the departed, rest;
to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth,
and all people, peace and concord;
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting.
And the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
come down upon you and remain with you always.
Amen