

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST  
ST ALBAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, EPPING NSW

# Remembrance Service

Centenary Commemoration



Sunday 13 November 2016

10am

Celebrant: The Reverend Ross Weaver

Preacher: The Reverend Andrew Lewis RAN

Choir Director: Kent Maddock

Organist: Chris Wagstaff

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### HYMN

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| 1 O God, our help in ages past,<br>Our hope for years to come,<br>Our shelter from the stormy blast,<br>And our eternal home;      | 4 A thousand ages in thy sight<br>Are like an evening gone,<br>Short as the watch that ends the night<br>Before the rising sun.   |
| 2 Under the shadow of thy throne<br>Thy saints have dwelt secure;<br>Sufficient is thine arm alone,<br>And our defence is sure.    | 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,<br>Bears all its sons away;<br>They fly forgotten, as a dream<br>Dies at the opening day.    |
| 3 Before the hills in order stood,<br>Or earth received her frame,<br>From everlasting thou art God,<br>To endless years the same. | 6 O God, our help in ages past,<br>Our hope for years to come,<br>Be thou our guard while troubles last,<br>And our eternal home. |

Isaac Watts (1674-1748) - Public domain. .

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All: Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

Celebrant: "No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends," says the Lord, "if you do what I command you." The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: "Let us pray.

**All: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Deacon: Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

Choir: Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Lord have mercy

**All: Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Celebrant: O God, our ruler and guide, in whose hands are the destinies of this and every nation, we give you thanks for the freedoms we enjoy in this land and for those who laid down their lives to defend them: We pray that we and all the people of Australia, gratefully remembering their courage and their sacrifice, may have grace to live in a spirit of justice, of generosity, and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

A reading from Micah (4:1-5)

Reader: Suzanne Hedditch  
(Great-niece of Kenrick O'Connell Oakes)

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

Hear the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

### **Psalm 46**

*Choir:*

- 1 God is our refuge and strength:  
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved:  
and though the mountains are shaken in the midst of the sea;
- 3 Though the waters rage and foam:  
and though the mountains quake at the rising of the sea.
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God:  
the holy dwelling-place of the Most High.
- 5 God is in the midst of her, therefore she shall not be moved:  
God will help her, and at break of day.
- 6 The nations make uproar, and the kingdoms are shaken:  
but God has lifted his voice, and the earth shall tremble.

- 7 The Lord of hosts is with us:  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 8 come then and see what the Lord has done:  
what destruction he has brought upon the earth.
- 9 He makes wars to cease in all the world:  
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, and burns the chariots in the fire.
- 10 'Be still, and know that I am God:  
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted upon the earth.'
- 11 The Lord is hosts is with us:  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (15:50-58)

Reader: Noel Bayley  
(Son of William Joseph Bayley)

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: 'Death has been swallowed up in victory.' 'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?' The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

Hear the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**HYMN**

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| <p>1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;<br/>He makes me down to lie<br/>In pastures green, he leadeth me<br/>The quiet waters by.</p>     | <p>3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,<br/>Yet will I fear no ill:<br/>For thou art with me; and thy rod<br/>And staff me comfort still.</p> |
| <p>2 My soul he doth restore again;<br/>And me to walk doth make<br/>Within the paths of righteousness,<br/>E'en for his own name's sake.</p> | <p>4 My table thou hast furnished<br/>In presence of my foes;<br/>My head thou dost with oil anoint,<br/>And my cup overflows.</p>                  |
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house for evermore  
My dwelling-place shall be

## GOSPEL

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia,**

Choir: 'No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends,' says the Lord, 'if you do what I command you.'

**All: Alleluia.**

Deacon: The Lord be with you

**All: and also with you.**

Deacon: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (15:1-17)

**All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. 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. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Deacon: For the Gospel of the Lord,

**All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Lewis RAN

Deacon: Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**All: We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,**

begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sub Deacon: Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Reader: Harrison Thomas (Great-grandson of Charles Clarence England Thomas, great-great-nephew of Hugh Mervyn Thomas)

God our Creator, we pray for the beautiful and bountiful land in which we live. We thank you for the smell of gum leaves and the magpie's song: for the roar of the surf and the silence of the desert; for the fruits of the earth and the wealth of the soil. Give us wisdom to preserve the treasures you entrust to us and help us to share with generosity the abundance we enjoy.

God in whom we trust and hope, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Reader: Beverley Jagger-McNaughton (Grand-daughter of Leonard Alexander Jagger)

God our Protector, we pray for the diversity of people who call this land their home. We remember those who have cared for this land since the dreamtime; those who were dispossessed and those brought here against their will; those who have come seeking opportunity or escape from oppression. Give us grace to live in harmony and together build a future based on reconciliation, tolerance and justice.

God in whom we trust and hope, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

- Reader: Prue Robson (Great niece of Thomas Ernest Dence)  
God our Redeemer, we pray for all people of faith who seek to worship you. We remember those of different faiths and traditions; those who have cared for the land as a sacred trust; those who are leaders of churches and all who minister in your name. Give us a willingness to listen to one another and make us ready to tell others the good news of your love.  
God in whom we trust and hope, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**
- Reader: Phillip Lindsay (Grandson of Thomas James Edwin Lindsay)  
God our Companion, we pray for those communities in which we live. We remember all whose love and toil sustains our lives; those who live in poverty, those who are unemployed; those who suffer discrimination, violence or neglect. Give us a desire to be a welcoming and generous community, where all can feel accepted and live in safety.  
God in whom we trust and hope, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**
- Reader: Declan Thomas (Great-grandson of Charles Clarence England Thomas, great-great-nephew of Hugh Mervyn Thomas)  
God of love and liberty, we bring our thanks today for the peace and security we enjoy. We remember those who in time of war faithfully served their country. We pray for their families, and for ourselves whose freedom was won at such a cost. Make us a people zealous for peace, and hasten the day when nation shall not lift up sword against nation neither learn war any more.  
God in whom we trust and hope, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**
- Reader: Ross Nicholas (Grandson of Percy Howie Williamson)  
God our Comforter, we pray for those who are in trouble or need. We remember those who mourn lost families and loved ones; those who are anxious for the present and fear for the future; those who suffer addictions, the sick and the dying. Give us kind and compassionate hearts and teach us to care for one another, to befriend the lonely and comfort the sad.  
God in whom we trust and hope, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**
- Reader: Steve Thomas (Grandson of Charles Clarence England Thomas, great-nephew of Hugh Mervyn Thomas)  
God our eternal dwelling place, we give thanks for your servants of every age. We remember all good and holy people whose lives have enriched our nation; those who have taken your gospel to remote parts of this country; those who have ministered to the disadvantaged and poor. Give us faith to follow in the steps of your saints and with them come into the joy of your everlasting presence.  
God in whom we trust and hope, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Sub deacon: **Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Family of the men listed on our WW1 Honour Board, followed by the rest of the congregation, are invited to come forward to place a commemorative poppy on the altar.*

Celebrant: As we remember those who offered themselves in the service of this country and specially those who paid the supreme sacrifice we invite family members and the congregation to place a poppy on the altar in remembrance.

### **ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

Celebrant: 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 humankind.

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 LAST POST**

*Silence*

*The Reveille will be played by Edward Lawn.*

Celebrant: Jesus said: Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11.28

Jesus said: I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. John 6.35

**All: We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

### **THE PEACE**

Celebrant: We are the body of Christ.

**All: His Spirit is with us.**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## HYMN

- 1 Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,  
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep;  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.
- 2 O Saviour, whose almighty word  
The winds and waves submissive heard,  
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,  
And calm amid its rage didst sleep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.
- 3 O sacred Spirit, who didst brood  
Upon the chaos dark and rude,  
Who bad'st its angry tumult cease,  
And gavest light and life and peace:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.
- 4 O Trinity of love and power,  
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,  
Protect them whereso'er they go:  
And ever let there rise to thee  
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

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Celebrant: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: All glory and honour, thanks and praise, be yours now and always, Lord of every time and place, God beyond all dreaming. We give you thanks that from the beginning of time, your Spirit has brooded over this ancient land. In the fullness of time you revealed your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin, and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. We give your thanks that in him you have revealed to us your presence in the vastness of this land, your love in its fruitfulness, and your purpose in its cycles of death and renewed life.

Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished and called, with all who hunger for your kingdom and will not rest until all your children are fed, with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all ages, we take up the song of your praise:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.'

In the same way after supper, he took the cup saying: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.' As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold. Great is the mystery of faith

**All: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again**

Celebrant: Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love. Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, and so we sing in never-ending praise:

**All: Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered together and made one bread:

**All: so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

Deacon: Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*The communion is taken by all who have been baptised and wish to partake.*

Call to Remembrance by Farrakhan

Jerusalem by Parry

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, you have created all humanity in your image and likeness and have revealed your plan and purpose in calling us your friends and family. As we have shared this holy meal, inspire our hearts to see every man, woman and child given the dignity and value which is your purpose and your gift; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.**

### HYMN

- 1 All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,  
Come ye before him, and rejoice..
- 2 The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,  
Without our aid he did us make;  
We are his folk, he doth us feed,  
And for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3 O enter then his gates with praise,  
Approach with joy his courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.
- 4 For why? the Lord our God is good:  
His mercy is for ever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure.
- 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
The God whom heaven and earth adore,  
From men and from the Angel-host  
Be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

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Celebrant: God of this ancient land, through baptism you have given us an inheritance into one family, give us grace to walk together in the unity of Christ Jesus and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Deacon: Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord

**All: in the name of Christ. Amen.**

**St Alban's Epping  
World War 1 Honour Board**

Reginald Richard BAILEY	Thomas James Edwin LINDSAY ( <i>Killed</i> )
William Joseph BAYLEY	Kenrick O'Connell OAKES
Alwynne Steel BEVERIDGE	Richard Henry PARDOE
Rex Caldwell BEVERIDGE	Frank Govier PASSMORE
Henry Lionel BRADSHAW	Phillip Marich PASSMORE ( <i>Killed</i> )
Norman Quintus BRADSHAW	Sydney Guy PINNINGTON
Ralph BRADSHAW ( <i>Killed</i> )	Walter POOLE
Norman William BUTLER	Arthur Wilmot RAYMOND
Thomas Broughton CADELL	Sydney George Hope RAYMOND
Thomas Duncan MacCauley CADDEN	(Louis) Claude ROWLAND ( <i>RAN</i> )
Thomas Ernest DENCE	Paul Russell ROWLAND
Everard DIGGES LA TOUCHE ( <i>Killed</i> )	Ernest Keith SHARP
William Francis DIGGES LA TOUCHE	James Rowland SIMPSON
Arthur Walter FORREST	Clarence Edward Ray STYLES
Charles Henry FORREST	Charles Clarence THOMAS
Roy Marston GALLARD	Hugh Mervyn THOMAS
Clifford D HENRY ( <i>RAN</i> )	John Franklin WAIGHT
Max HENRY	Frederick WELLISCH ( <i>Killed</i> )
Albert Arthur JAGGER	Gilbert Cherrington WELLISCH
Leonard Alexander JAGGER ( <i>RAN</i> )	Anthony James WHITE
Francis Bruce KEMP	George William WHITE ( <i>Killed</i> )
Frederick Clifford KEMP	John Stanley WHITE ( <i>Killed</i> )
Herbert Robert KEMP	Percy Howie WILLIAMSON
Oliver LATHAM	

*Everyone is invited to gather for morning tea  
in the church hall after the service.*