8 November 2026
24th Sunday after Pentecost
Remembrance Sunday

Readings and Hymn Sheet

To be used in conjunction with the Service Booklet for Pentecost



HYMN *(at 10am – refer to Service Booklet page 1)*

1 O God of every nation,
of every race and land,
redeem your whole creation
with your almighty hand;
where hate and fear divide us,
and bitter threats are hurled,
in love and mercy guide us,
and heal our strife-torn world.

2 From search for wealth and power
and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower
destruction through the night,
from pride of race and station
and blindness to your way,
deliver every nation,
eternal God, we pray.

3 Lord, strengthen all who labour
that all may find release
from fear of rattling sabre,
from dread of war's increase;
when hope and courage falter,
Lord, let your voice be heard;
with faith that none can alter
your servants undergird.

4 Keep bright in us the vision
of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division
give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious
when truth and justice reign,
and Christ shall rule victorious
o'er all the world's domain.

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Sentence *(refer to Service Booklet page 1)*

Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

Matthew 24.42, 44

Collects *(refer to Service Booklet page 2)*

Said by the President

Collect of the Day:
Eternal God, you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand: keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, so that when Christ, the bridegroom, comes we may go out joyfully to meet him, and with him enter into the marriage feast that you have prepared for all who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Remembrance Sunday:
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 *(refer to Service Booklet page 2)*

Please be seated for the First Reading, the Psalm and the Second Reading

First Reading **Daniel 12.1-3**

A reading from the book of Daniel, Chapter 12, beginning at verse 1

‘At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. 2 Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. 3 Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78.1-7

1 Give heed to my teaching, O my people:
incline your ears to the words of my mouth;
2 For I will open my mouth in a parable:
and expound the mysteries of former times.
3 What we have heard and known:
what our forebears have told us,
4 We will not hide from their children,
but declare to a generation yet to come:
the praiseworthy acts of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works.

5 He established a law in Jacob and made a decree in Israel:
which he commanded our ancestors to teach their children,
6 That future generations might know, and those yet unborn:
that they in turn might teach it to their children;
7 So that they might put their confidence in God:
and not forget his works, but keep his commandments.

Second Reading **1 Thessalonians 4.9-18**

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians, Chapter 4, beginning at verse 9

9 Now concerning love of the brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anyone write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another; 10 and indeed you do love all the brothers and sisters throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, beloved, to do so more and more, 11 to aspire to live quietly, to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we directed you, 12 so that you may behave properly towards outsiders and be dependent on no one.

13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. 15 For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. 16 For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL HYMN *(refer to Service Booklet page 3)*

1 When human voices cannot sing
and human hearts are breaking,
we bring our grief to you, O God
who knows our inner aching.

2 Set free our spirits from all fear –
the cloud of dark unknowing,
and let the light, the Christ-light show
the pathway of our going.

3 Make real for us your holding love,
the love which is your meaning,
the power to move the stone of death,
the hope of Easter morning.

4 And let the one we love now go
where we, in faith, shall follow,
to travel in the Spirit's peace,
to make an end to sorrow.

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The Gospel *(refer to Service Booklet page 3)* **John 15.1-17**

(Standing facing the reader)

Alleluia! Alleluia!
This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, Chapter 15, beginning at verse 1
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. 2 He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. 3 You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. 4 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. 5 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. 6 Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. 9 As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. 10 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. 11 I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

12 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 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. 16 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. 17 I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

OFFERTORY HYMN *(refer to Service Booklet page 4)*

During the singing of this hymn, the offertory will be collected and brought forward to the Sanctuary.

1 God is our strength and refuge,
our present help in trouble;
and we therefore will not fear,
though the earth should change,
though mountains shake and tremble,
though swirling waters are raging:
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.

2 There is a flowing river
within God's holy city;
God is in the midst of her,
she shall not be moved.
God's help is swiftly given,
thrones vanish at his presence;
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.

3 Come, see the works of our maker,
learn of his deeds all-powerful:
wars will cease across the world
when he shatters the spear.
Be still and know your creator,
uplift him in the nations;
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore.

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FINAL HYMN *(refer to Service Booklet page 7)*

1 Lord God, to You our praise we bring,
With joyful hearts to You we sing:
Our hope forever, our refuge yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

2 O Jesus Christ, with blood and pain
With courage strong through death you came:
Our living Lord, our Saviour yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

3 Creator Spirit, Holy One,
Through You our life of faith begun:
Our strength, our guide, our comfort yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

4 Your Church, O God, is gathered here,
Bidden by Christ, his presence near:
His bread and wine, our pledges yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

5 This day our prayer of thanks we make
For those who fought and for our sake,
And for our land, our freedom yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

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Act of Remembrance
Led by Ross Beattie (8am) and James von Stieglitz (10am)

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 went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,
They fell with their faces to the foe.

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.
We will remember them.

Lest we forget.
Lest we forget.

The Last Post - Silence - The Reveille
10am: Edward Lawn

You are welcome to take the Readings and Hymn Sheet with you.