
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

12th November 2023

Blandford Forum Parish Church

Presentation ~ Blandford Remembers

Music kindly provided by The Blandford Stour Valley Band



Welcome

Hymn – Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven

Poem – Mayor of Blandford Forum

An Act of Repentance

Musical Performance – Dorset Rural Music School

Poem – RBL Chairman

Hymn – Abide with Me

John 12:20-29-NIV

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Hymn – Guide me o thou Great Redeemer

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The Lord's Prayer

Hymn – O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)

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The Blessing



Welcome

The Reverend Chris Beaumont
Lead Minister, Blandford Forum Parish Church

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven

(During which the Standards will be received)

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
to his people in distress.
Praise him, still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Fatherlike he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace!

Anthem for Doomed Youth

By Wilfred Owen

Read by Cllr Hugo Mieville, Mayor of Blandford Forum

An Act of Repentance

The Reverend Andy Hall

Blandford United Reformed Church

Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world;
Its pride, its selfishness, its greed;
Its evil divisions and hatreds.

Let us confess our share in what is wrong,
And our failure to seek and establish that peace
Which God wills for his children.

**Most merciful God,
We confess that we have sinned,
In thought, word, and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
Help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;
That we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen

Almighty God
Who forgives all who truly repent,
Have mercy upon us,
Pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
Confirm and strengthen us in all our goodness,
And keep us in life eternal,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Wherever I Fall

Written by Bryce & Aaron Dessner

Sung by Rob Chalkley and accompanied by Felicity Goodman
Dorset Rural Music School

Korean War Poem

By Lt. Cmdr. (Ret.) Roberto J. Prinselaar, U.S. Coast Guard

Read by Terry Clarkson

Branch Chairman of the Blandford & District Royal British Legion

Abide with Me

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens Lord, with me abide
When other helpers fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away,
Change and decay in all around I see
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, o Lord, abide with me.

John 12:20-29

Read by Colonel Rebecca Jacques-Grey OBE

Commander, Blandford Garrison

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Guide me, O thou Great Redeemer

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven
Feed me till I want no more.
Feed me till I want no more.

Open thou the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream shall flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer
Be thou still my strength and shield.
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee.
I will ever give to thee.

Prayers

Read by members of Blandford Youth Organisations
In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Almighty God,
We come this day to remember and learn -
To remember the lessons of the past:
The cost of war, the price of peace,
The consequences of hatred, the extent of human sacrifice.
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

We pray for the leaders of the nations,
That you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice and peace.
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who bear arms on behalf of the nation,
That they may have discipline and discernment.
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm,
That you will 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 that may know your love and support.
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer

We pray for ourselves, that we might follow the way of Christ,
that our lives might reflect His life in walking in the way of truth, love and peace.
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

Almighty God,
As we remember the cost of war and the price of peace,
Help us to go on remembering, tomorrow, and every day,
And to do all in our power to work for your kingdom here on earth.
For at the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
We will remember them.
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.



The Collect for Remembrance

The Reverends Dale and Emma Carmichael, Blandford Evangelical Church

Almighty God, our most gracious heavenly Father, in Whose will is our peace, turn our hearts and the hearts of all to Yourself, that by the power of Your Spirit the peace which is founded on righteousness may be established throughout the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**The Reverends Carmichael will lead the congregation in
The Lord's Prayer**

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

O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)

(During which the Standards will be recovered)

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
the power throughout the universe displayed;

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
how great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

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how great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;

Then sings my soul...

And when I think that God His Son not sparing,
sent Him to die – I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin:

Then sings my soul...

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home - what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul...

Please remain standing for the Act of Commitment

Act of Commitment

The Reverend Will Burditt

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and one another, that we may help, encourage and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of all nations.

The Reply:

Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve You and all mankind in the cause of justice and peace and for the relief of want and suffering. Guide us by your spirit; give us wisdom, courage and hope; and keep us faithful now and always for the honour of Your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The National Anthem

God save our gracious King!

Long live our noble King!

God save the King!

Send him victorious,

Happy and glorious,

Long to reign over us,

God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store

On him be pleased to pour,

Long may he reign.

May he defend our laws,

And ever give us cause,

To sing with heart and voice,

God save the King.

The Blessing

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BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL

*Please allow the Standards, followed by the Civic Party,
to leave the church first.*

There will be a retiring collection for The Poppy Appeal.

Everyone is invited to the Corn Exchange for refreshments.

*Blandford Forum Town Council works in partnership with Blandford
Garrison, Blandford Forum Parish Church, the Blandford & District
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Band for the Town's Remembrance Services.*



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