Churches Together in Walton-on-Thames and The Royal British Legion

Service and Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

Sunday 12th November 2023 at 10.40 a.m.

(please join in with the words in **bold** type)
As we gather Grovelands School Choir will sing
Somewhere Only We Know, Only You and
Together We Stand

Welcome by Rev Dave Bixby

Hymn

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone, Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Be Thou our guard while troubles last, And our eternal home.

Isaac Watts















You can download an Order of Service here:



Romans 5:1-8 Read by Mr Dan Tuck

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us"

Sermon

Pete Matthew

Hymn

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, Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Chorus:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee, 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;

Chorus

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:

Chorus

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!

Chorus

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Prayers for our town, nation and world led by Rev Jonny Blair After each prayer, please join in with the following response

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Remembering

An older person (OP) says:

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

A younger person (YP) replies:
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
we will remember them.

Together, we all say We will remember them.

The Last Post

Two Minutes' Silence

The Reveille

The Laying of Wreaths Commentary by Rev Jonny Blair

Commitment

OP When you go home, tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow, we gave our today.

Leader Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

YP Will you strive for all that makes for peace? We will

OP Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? We will

YP Will you work for a just future for all humanity? We will

All: Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love: may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people, and live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen

Redeemer, Amen

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.

Blessing

The parade then forms and marches from outside Ashley School, round the War memorial, down New Zealand Avenue, through the Heart Shopping Centre and is dismissed on the High Street before Churchfield Rd.

Free refreshments are served in the Walton Baptist Church on Winchester Road

Thank you to everyone who has made this service and act of remembrance possible. Special thanks to the Audio Visual Team

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