

Kincardine United Church
Remembrance Sunday
November 7, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Bold print in the bulletin invites you to say the words.

*An asterisk in the bulletin indicates you may sit or stand.

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PRELUDE On the Road to Passchendaele *by Allan Brydon*
Arr. by Major Gavin N. M. Stouddart M.B.E., B.E.M.

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

We acknowledge the Traditional Territory of the Anishinabek Nation:

The People of the Three Fires

known as Ojibway, Odawa and Pottawatomie Nations.

We further give thanks to the Chippewas of Saugeen,
and the Chippewas of Nawash –

now known as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation –
as the traditional keepers of this land.

**Our thanks compel us to live fully into our journey of reconciliation –
a seven-generation process of intentional listening and learning.**

We seek to live together in respect, friendship and peace.

**We, thus, commit ourselves to follow Jesus' calling us into the world,
loving one another as we are loved by God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Amazing Grace *Traditional*

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

A quietness hovers over our world this morning,

for this is a time of remembrance and of honouring.

A sadness creeps into our hearts,

for today we feel for those who served and those who died.

A hope is beginning to shine like a candle in the night,

for the gift of love received from the sacrifice of too many families.

Let us pray together:

**O God, at this annual time of remembrance,
our thoughts turn to the violence, the fear and the pain of war.**

**Come gently into our worship this morning that we may know your peace:
a peace which passes all human endeavours and hopes,
a peace given through the Prince of Peace. Amen.**

***LIGHTING OF THE RED CANDLE** (*Red symbolizes sacrifice*)

Let us rise as we remember and pray together:

**It is right that we take time to remember,
and to give thanks for the sacrifice of so many.
It is not the minutes or the hours we take to call their deeds to mind
which justifies their loss of all their tomorrows.
It is what we do with our todays which speaks loudest.
May we be worthy of the call to peace you extend, O God. Amen.**

VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 2 only) God! As with Silent Hearts

LIGHTING THE YELLOW CANDLE (*Yellow symbolizes longing and light*)

Let us pray together:

**We pray for the young and the old, the perpetrators and the innocents,
who live in countries where there is war, where hate and anger and
where a lust for revenge has turned neighbour against neighbour,
yet where love is kept alive in the hearts of many,
and the will to find peaceful solutions
is part of the fabric of today's visionaries.
Please, O God, prod us to find those visions,
where reconciliation brings peace and wholeness. Amen.**

VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 3 only, seated) God! As with Silent Hearts

LIGHTING THE WHITE CANDLE (*White symbolizes hope for transformation*)

Let us pray together:

**It will not be today, O God, and this we acknowledge,
but we trust that some day, some day soon,
the swords of battle will become the tools of peace.
We pray that your prophets are right
when they tell of the lion lying down with the lamb.
Please, God, make your will and your purpose
burn in the hearts of all the Peoples of the earth.
Let not the gentle, vulnerable souls of children be sacrificed again –
for any reason.
Let Jesus' day of hope begin with us. Amen.**

VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 4 only, seated) God! As with Silent Hearts

LIGHTING THE BLUE CANDLE (*Blue symbolizes sorrow in the remembering*)

VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 1 only, seated) God! As with Silent Hearts

IN FLANDERS FIELDS *read by Gregg McClelland*

***TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE**

***PIPER'S LAMENT** Flowers of the Forest (Traditional) *Nathan Smith*

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

Hear the vision of the prophets:

**“...and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nations shall not lift sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.”**

Trust God who longs for peace.

Trust Jesus who remembers us by saying,

“Forgive them for they know not what they do.”

Trust the Spirit who moves us to love even our enemies.

**We are forgiven, strengthened and empowered
to be peace bearers in our world.**

Thanks be to God!

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Silent Prayer*)

SHARING TIME “Ruth: The Rest of the Story” *Judy Zarubick*

LORD'S PRAYER (*we sing*)

**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.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

BIBLE READING Revelation 21:3-5a in the New Testament page 259.

³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.”

⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.”

***VOICES UNITED 684** Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

BIBLE READING John 21:15-18 in the New Testament page 116.

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.”

DOXOLOGY Praise with Joy the World’s Creator #312 *Voices United* (verse 1 only)

**Praise with joy the world’s Creator, God of justice, love, and peace,
source and end of human knowledge, God whose grave shall never cease.
Celebrate the Maker’s glory, power to rescue and release.**

MEDITATION Making New

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

ANTHEM We Are Not Alone *Words and Music by Peter Choplin*

MINUTE FOR MISSION Tyler Powell

OFFERING INVITATION

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

**Just as the poppies of Flanders fields display life and beauty,
may you, O God, bless what we offer back to you from our abundance.
In that blessing, O Christ, may what we scatter abroad in your name
become sources of new life and of beauty for an aching world,
rooted in your peace, which passes all understanding. Amen.**

***VOICES UNITED 676** God, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

BENEDICTION

SONG OF COMMITMENT 431 VU Sing Amen

Sing amen: Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Sing amen: Amen, we praise your name, O God.

**Sing amen: Amen, amen, amen, amen,
amen we praise your name, O God.**

POSTLUDE The Green Hills of Tyrol

Traditional