

St Simon Zelotes



A SERVICE FOR
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

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10.45am

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In Flanders fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
between the crosses, row on row,
that mark our place; and in the sky
the larks, still bravely singing, fly
scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
we lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow
loved and were loved, and now we lie
in Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
to you from failings hands we throw
the torch; be yours to hold it high
if ye break faith with us who die
we shall not sleep, though poppies grow
in Flanders fields.

Col. John McCrae, written at Ypres in May 1915



INTROIT

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen
thy salvation;
which thou hast prepared
before the face of all people;
to be a light to lighten the gentiles
and to be the glory of thy people Israel

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be
world without end.
Amen.

Music: Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)
Words: Luke 2.29-32; Book of Common

WELCOME

SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

INTRODUCTION



All people that on earth do dwell

All:

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.

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.

Choir only:

*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.*

Choir only:

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.



All:

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.

*All stand, for the laying of the wreath, while the Minister
says:*

Let us remember before God,
those who have died for their country in time of war;
those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure
and all who have lived and died in the service of mankind.

THE LAYING OF THE WREATH

The wreath is laid

A Churchwarden:

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 will be sounded.

THE SILENCE

Reveille will be sounded.

The Minister says:

Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ those who trust in Him
cannot be parted, either by death or life:
hear our thanksgivings for all whom we remember this
day;
and bring us with all who love your name,
to your eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

O valiant hearts

O valiant hearts who to your glory came
through dust of conflict and through battle flame;
tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,
your memory hallowed in the land you loved.



Long years ago, as earth lay dark and still,
rose a loud cry upon a lonely hill,
while in the frailty of our human clay
Christ, our Redeemer, passed the self same way.

Still stands His cross from that dread hour to this,
like some bright star above the dark abyss;
still, through the veil, the victor's pitying eyes
look down to bless our lesser calvaries.

O risen Lord, O shepherd of your dead,
whose cross has brought them and whose staff has led,
in glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land
commits your children to your gracious hand.

Children leave for Sunday School and Creche during this hymn

THE FIRST LESSON

Micah 4:1-5

In the last days the mountain
of the LORD's temple
will be established as the highest of the mountains;
it will be exalted above the hills,
and peoples will stream to it.



² Many nations will come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the temple of the God of Jacob.

He will teach us his ways,
so that we may walk in his paths.'

The law will go out from Zion,
the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

³ He will judge between many peoples
and will settle disputes for strong nations far and wide.
They will beat their swords into ploughshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not take up sword against nation,
nor will they train for war any more.

⁴ Everyone will sit under their own vine
and under their own fig-tree,
and no one will make them afraid,
for the LORD Almighty has spoken.

⁵ All the nations may walk
in the name of their gods,
but we will walk in the name of the LORD
our God for ever and ever.

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God



ANTHEM

Lord, thou hast been our refuge

Lord, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to
another.

Before the mountains were brought forth
or ever the earth and the world were made,
Thou art God from everlasting and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction; again Thou sayest:

Come again, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in Thy sight are
but as yesterday; seeing that is past as a watch in the
night.

O God our help in ages past,

Our hope for years to come.

Our shelter from the stormy blast,

And our eternal home.

As soon as thou scatterest them, they are even as
asleep,

and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green and groweth up,
but in the evening it is cut down and withered.



For we consume away in thy displeasure,
and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

For when thou art angry, all our days are gone,
we bring our years to an end, as a tale that is told.
The days of our age are threescore years and ten:
and though men be so strong that they come to
fourscore years,
yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow.

So passeth it away, and we are gone.

Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last.

Be gracious unto thy servants.

O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon.

So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Lord, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to
another.

Before the mountains were brought forth
or ever the earth and the world were made,
Thou art God from everlasting and world without end.

And the glorious Majesty of the Lord be upon us.
Prosper Thou, O prosper Thou the work of our hands
upon us.

O prosper Thou our handy work.

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)



THE SECOND LESSON

John 15:9-17

⁹ 'As the Father has loved me,
so have I loved you.

Now remain in my love.

¹⁰ If you keep my commands,
you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father's commands
and remain in his love.

¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you
and that your joy may be complete.

¹² My command is this:
love each other as I have loved you.

¹³ Greater love has no one than this:
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command.

¹⁵ I no longer call you servants,
because a servant does not know his master's business.

Instead, I have called you friends,
for everything that I learned from my Father
I have made known to you.

¹⁶ You did not choose me,
but I chose you and appointed you
so that you might go and bear fruit –
fruit that will last –
and so that whatever you ask in my name
the Father will give you.

¹⁷ This is my command: love each other.



This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

CONFESSION

After a short silence, all say:

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;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Minister says:

Almighty God have mercy upon us,

pardon and deliver us from all our sins

confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,

and keep us in life eternal;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



INTERCESSIONS

Minister: Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that 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.



NOTICES

Lord for the years

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.



Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)

SERMON

“We will remember them”

Rev'd Mike Neville

Thine be the glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,



for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors through thy deathless
love;

bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

We take a collection during this hymn. The PCC will make a donation to the Soldiers and Airmen's Scripture Readers Association based on today's collection. People give in a variety of ways. Some may not be in a position to give. Please pass the plate on if that is appropriate for you. If you are a taxpayer, please use one of the Gift Aid envelopes in your pew, completing the information on the front. You can also give using the card reader located at the back of the church.



THE ACT OF COMMITMENT

All shall kneel and the Minister shall say:

Let us pledge ourselves anew
to the service of God and our fellow men:
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 the nations.

All:

**Lord God our Father,
we pledge ourselves to serve you and all mankind,
in the cause of peace,
for the relief of want and suffering,
and for the praise of your name.**

**Guide us by your Spirit;
give us wisdom;
give us courage;
give us hope;
and keep us faithful now and always.**

Amen.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM



All stand:

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

Trumpet Voluntary - John Stanley



NOTICES

Women's Monthly Bible Study Group - Friday 8 November, 10.30am-12pm

On Friday 8 November we will have our monthly bible study group at Joe and Zannie's flat (Flat 3, 51 Lennox Gardens) It will be an opportunity for women of all ages and stages to come together to encourage one another, and to spend some time thinking through the previous week's passage and sermon. Pre-school children and babies are very welcome. The group takes place on the second Friday of each month. For more details, and to signal an interest in coming, please get in touch with Zannie on zannieammoun@outlook.com.

God's Beautiful Story - Saturday 23 November

On **Saturday 23 November (9.30am-1.30pm)**, we will hold a seminar-style event in the church building on the biblical vision for marriage, singleness and sexuality. This will involve plenty of time for discussion and questions. While we cannot offer childcare, we hope that interested parents will be able to make arrangements that enable them to come. Lunch (from 1.30pm) and refreshments will be provided. To sign up to attend, please email Gloria at gloria.skelsey@ssz.org.uk.

Advent Carol Services

On Sunday 1 December we will have two traditional Advent Carol services at 10am and 6.30pm. Both services will feature Advent carols sung by a 4-piece choir, hymns, and a series of readings to set before us the hope of Christ's first and second coming to earth.



Nativity & Christingle

This popular short service will be held on Saturday 7 December at 4pm. St Simons Sunday School children will tell the story of the nativity and present a tableau with the help of a real donkey and a real baby! Every child goes home with a Christingle and a gingerbread star. All are very welcome.

Christmas Carols by Candlelight

Our annual candle-lit Christmas Carol service takes place on Sunday 8 December at 6.30pm. We will hear the story of Christmas in nine readings with carols and pieces of music sung by the choir and a Christmas Reflection by curate, Joe Ammoun. The service is followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Weekly email

Vicar Mike Neville or Curate Joe Ammoun send out a weekly email letter each Wednesday with church family news and a short reflection. If you don't currently receive this but would like to, please get in touch with Gloria at gloria.skelsey@ssz.org.uk