SEEKING GOD TOGETHER

PRELUDE Londonderry Air (arr. Christine Donkin)
'Tis the Last Rose of Summer (arr. Forrest Kinney)

Susan Guido, trumpet

WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

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Lighting of the Christ Candle

Acknowledgment of Territory/Every Child Matters/ Rainbow Candle of Inclusion Brian Walter

INTROIT Peace for the Children (Doreen Lankshear-Smith arr. David Abramsky)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Today is a day for remembering.

May we remember people who have made sacrifices in the past.

Today is a day for reflecting.

May we reflect on the meaning of life, and the purpose for which we were born.

Today is a day to look at past battles.

May we bring light to bear on the darkness which war brings to all who are caught in it.

Today is a day of new beginnings.

May we embrace the wholeness which Christ promises and the peace that passes all understanding.

Come, let us worship our God who has given to us our memory and who strengthens us so that we need not forget! *HYMN Let There Be Light p. 7

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

God of healing and wholeness, we come in worship earnestly desiring peace in our world. We come desiring peace within our families and communities. We come desiring peace in our hearts and in our relationship with you. Grant us peace, O God. And help us in this worship to remember and honour those who have lived, and those who have died, for peace. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

May we embrace the wholeness which Christ promises and the peace that passes all understanding.

Hear these words of Jesus:

"Do not be afraid".

"My peace I give to you".

"I am with you always".

May Jesus' words take root within us as we seek to live in peace.

SUNG RESPONSE Dance with the Spirit MV 156 Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin', walk with the Spirit through-out the long day, Work and hope for the new life a-born-in', listen to the Spirit to show you the way.

A TIME FOR ALL AGES

READING In Flanders Fields (John McCrae)

FINDING GOD TOGETHER

HONOUR ROLL Tolling Bell Joyce Hagarty

World War 1

James Amos Ernest Davis
Kenneth Exely Gilbert Gray
Walter Harris Elwood Lloyd
Fred Luxton David Miller
Wilfred Peterman Ernest Rose
Charles Smith Stuart Stiles Fred Wilkenson

World War II

Doug McKenzie Bruce Stiles

Robert Turp

The Last Post...Two Minutes Silence...Lament...The Rouse Susan Guido, trumpet/Kayleigh Johnstone, bagpipes

*ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

They shall not grow 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.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O God, and may perpetual light shine down upon them.

May their souls, through your mercy, rest in peace.

*O CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all of us command. With glowing hearts, we see thee rise, the True North strong and free! From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. God keep our land glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

FIRST READING Philippians 4:4-9 (The peace of God will guard your hearts and minds.) Brandon Holmeshaw

ANTHEM In Flanders Fields (John McCrae/Eleanor Daley)

GOSPEL Luke 20:27-40 (The resurrection is not this life.)

SERMON "Where All Are Alive" Rev. Tim Dayfoot

*HYMN O For a World p. 7

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY Meditations on the Theme of Peace

(Derek K. Hakes) Bellissimo Handbell Ensemble

*DEDICATION Take, O Take Me as I Am (John L. Bell)

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I

shall be; set your seal upon my heart,

and live in me. (repeat)

*OFFERTORY PRAYER & Prayer Shawl Blessing

PRAYER PRELUDE Lord, Listen to Your Children

(Ken Medema) VU 400

Lord, listen to your children, praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN Eternal Father, Strong to Save p. 8

*COMMISSIONING

*SUNG BLESSING May the Blessing of God VU p. 962
(Miriam Therese Winter)

May the blessing of God go before you. May her grace and peace abound. May her spirit live within you. May her love wrap you 'round. May her blessing remain with you always. May you walk on holy ground.

POSTLUDE Kayleigh Johnstone, bagpipes

Meditations on the Theme of Peace comes out of the idea of musical cryptograms – ways to spell out ordinary words using only letters of the musical alphabet. Using the French system the word "Peace" musically spells itself out almost naturally. While the original five note motif is a central musical theme in the composition, I also wanted the Latin word "Pacem" to be featured by itself in isolation. The E-flat pedal tone represents those voices who are crying out for peace. At the end of the Composition, the "pacem" theme joins the "peace" theme as a way of suggesting that those voices are indeed heard. All royalties from this composition will go towards Seeds of Peace, (seedsofpeace.org) an organization that teaches young children in several parts of the globe how to end the scars of hate and violence and instead harvest and spread the message of peace. In this time of uncertainty, the most important gift we have is each other. Let there be peace on earth, and indeed, let it

begin with each of us. (Derek Hakes, Composer)



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PENTECOST 22 Remembrance Sunday

> November 9, 2025 11:00 AM

VU 679 Let There Be Light

Let there be light, let there be understanding, let all the nations gather, let them be face to face;

open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;

perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain;

hallow our love, hallow the deaths of martyrs, hallow their holy freedom, hallowed be your name;

your kingdom come, your spirit turn to language, your people speak together, your spirit never fade;

let there be light; open our hearts to wonder, perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.

VU 697 O For a World

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways, where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved, where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice that opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise. Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace, where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

VU 659 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave, who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, whose voice the waters heard, and hushed their raging at thy word, who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the storm did sleep: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude, and bade its angry tumult cease, and gave for wild confusion, peace: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power, all travellers guard in danger's hour. From rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them wheresoe'er they go: thus evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.