Bible Reading: John 15:9-17—John Courtie

Sermon - Rita

Prayers—Avril

We say together:

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.

Act of Commitment:

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and all people; 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. We say together:

Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve thee and all mankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of thy name. Guide us by the Spirit; Give us wisdom, give us courage, give us hope: And keep us faithful now and always. Amen.

Hymn: Lord for the Years

Blessing

Go in peace, work for peace, and may peace fill our lives, our hearts and our homes. **Amen.**

Service of Remembrance—St Andrew's 2020

Welcome

Opening prayer

Almighty God, our heavenly father, we remember with thanksgiving those who made the supreme sacrifice for us in time of war. We pray that the offering of their lives may not have been in vain. By your grace enable us this day to dedicate ourselves anew to the cause of justice, freedom and peace; and give us the wisdom and strength to build a better world, for the honour and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn: 'O God, our help in ages past.'

Act of Remembrance: Let us remember before God and commend to his keeping those who have died for their country in war, those we knew, and whose memory we treasure and all who have lived and died in the service of mankind.

In Peace let us remember:

(names of those who lost their lives are read)

Binyon's lines:

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.

We will remember them

The Last Post followed by 1 minute Silence...
The reveille

Prayer of confession:

Heavenly Father, as we are reminded of the names on our war memorials and plaques, we realize how quickly and easily we forget.

We forget who people were and what they did.

We forget the contributions they made, and what they meant to their families.

We confess that sometimes we forget you and what you have done for us.

Forgive us for those times, and help us to see you in the lives of all we love, those we remember, and in the beauty of the world around us.

Forgive our past doing so that we may praise you for all you have done for us. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Absolution

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.**