



Remembrance Service

Sunday 8th November 2020
St Swithin's Walcot

Introduction

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary they shall walk and not faint.

Opening Prayer

We commit ourselves to work in faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace.

We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

Remembering

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.**

We all take two minutes silence to remember

Prayers of Hope and Commitment

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. *John 14.27*

Ever-living God, we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

May God give peace.

All May God give peace.

Representatives come forward to lay wreaths and offer symbols of remembrance and hope

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

The Act of Commitment is made

Let us commit ourselves to godly living and faithful service. Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All We will.

Will you work for a merciful and just future for all humanity?

All We will.

Closing Prayer

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, through Jesus Christ our risen saviour.

All Amen.