



Memorial Service 2020

Welcome

Opening Hymn

We remain seated and listen only, please

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnishèd
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

Psalm 23 Crimond. Public Domain.

Bible Reading

1 Thessalonians 4.13-18,
read by Revd Patrick Davies

Talk

Revd Frances Trickey

The Choir will sing: 'O let the Son of God enfold you' by John Wimber

The Lighting of the Easter Candle

The following prayer will be prayed as the candle is lit.

Jesus said:

I have come as a light into the world that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.

Lighting a candle is a prayer:

Its light kindles in our hearts the prayers we offer for our loved ones, and for all who are bereaved

Lighting a candle is a parable:

Burning itself out, a candle gives light to others.

Christ gave himself for others. He calls us to give ourselves.

Lighting a candle is a symbol:

Of love and hope, of light and warmth.

Our world needs them all.

Christ shows us how to live so that we may shine as lights in the world.

Amen.

The Reading of the Names

Phillip Herbert

The Lighting of the Memorial Candles

David Crouch

Please remain seated.

As each tea-light is lit, the names of loved ones will be read aloud.

We keep silence.

Prayers Led by Jenny Mathieson

Ending with

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Hymn

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Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore;
feed me now and evermore;

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises, songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.
I will ever give to thee.

words William Williams (trs Peter Williams) Cwm Rhondda. Public Domain

The Choir will sing: 'My Peace'

The Blessing

May the God who gave his only Son,
weep with you in your sorrow;
May the Christ who gave his life,
stand beside you in your sadness;
May the Spirit who gives life to all
live within you and bring you peace.
And the blessing...

*As you leave the church via the South door in silence,
you will be offered a bag of Spring bulbs to plant
as a sign of hope and new life to come.
In the bag you will also find a message from our Pastoral Team.*

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