St. Paul's United Church, Midland Sunday, November 7, 2021 Remembrance Sunday

Rev. Karen Ptolemy-Stam Music Director: Victoria Warwick Readers: Bob Colamatto, Peggy Wallace Trumpeter: Sadie Bridgeman Special Music: St. Paul's and Friends Choir; Holy Family Primary School, The Tenors Tech Team: Glenn Erwin, Rick Dell, Catherine Ladouceur, Noah Leis, Bruce Wilcox



PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO THE GATHERED

On this Remembrance Sunday we gather to pray for a world where no one will learn war anymore.

On this day when the guns once fell silent,

we gather to pray for peace to reign in every heart, home and nation.

On this day of hope, we come before you, God, to remember all those who gave their lives so we could be free.

In this time of story, song and prayer, help us to catch a vision of how the world could live together in peace. Let us echo the old prayers—make us channels of your peace.

OPENING HYMN: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" sung by Holy Family Primary School

- Make me a channel of your peace: where there is hatred, let me bring your love; where there is injury, your healing power, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
 O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.
- Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life, let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy. O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

3. Make me a channel of your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

OPENING PRAYER: read by Peggy Wallace This prayer is used with permission and written in collaboration by United Church of Canada Military Chaplains, Captain (Rev.) Audrey Brown and Captain (Rev.) Tyler Powell.

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LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

- SUNG RESPONSE: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
- THEME CONVERSATION: St. Paul's Book of Memory

ANTHEM: "Hands United in Peace"



ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

"O CANADA" The Tenors

READING: "IN FLANDERS FIELDS" written by John McCrae read by Bob Colamatto

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 failing 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.

THE LAST POST played by Sadie Bridgeman

*THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE read by Bob Colamatto

They shall grow not old,

as we who 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.**

*REVEILLE played by Sadie Bridgeman

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 5:1-12 read by Peggy Wallace

SERMON: The Aftermath of War

REMINDER OF OUR GIFTS

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POSTLUDE: "Highway of Heroes" video (used with permission)

