Today as one nation we solemnly remember those who in two world wars as well as in other battles and current conflicts have given the most priceless gift of all: their very lives in the service of our country, in the pursuit of a more peaceful world, lives given for freedom and justice. We do not glorify war, but remember the devastation it causes on all sides. God calls us to live in peace. Our hope is in Christ alone who is the prince of peace. May we receive God's gift of peace in our hearts today.

Loving God we bring you our praise and worship today. You are the King of the nations.

You rule in love.

- On this day of remembrance, we remember Jesus and his heart of love for the whole world.
- We remember how Jesus gave his life on the cross so that our sins could be forgiven.
- We remember the wrong things we have said or done and we are sorry for how we hurt others.
- Please forgive us. Wash us clean from our sins and help us to live differently.
- We remember the command of Jesus: 'Love each other as I have loved you'.

Today we commit ourselves again to choose love over hate, to choose service over selfishness, to choose sharing over greed, and choose peace-making over trouble making.

For the glory and honour of your name. Amen.

IN HONOURED AND LOVING MEMORY OF THE MEN FROM THIS SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHURCH WHO FELL IN THE GREAT WAR 1914-1919. CLEMENT RASH. VICTOR CHAPMAN. JOHN CLAYDON. PEM MILLS. ELIAS LLOYD. CLIFFORD SIZER. ALFRED WEBB. ARTHUR BEAVIS. JOHN JOBSON. PETER MEAD.

THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE.

Lord bring your peace in our world Your peace in our streets Your peace in our homes Your peace in our hearts. We pray for children everywhere, For children in war zones. Shield them from harm. We pray for our young people. May they lead us in ways of peace. Bless our Sunday Club and their leaders as they now go to their groups. In Jesus name, amen.

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.

John McCrae

With one heart let us now remember before God, victims of war on each side and those who suffer the consequences of war today.

- Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping:
- Those who have died for their country in war;

Those whom we knew and whose memory we treasure; And all who have lived and died in the service of humankind We offer to almighty God our thanksgiving for the many blessings with which he has enriched our lives. Let us bless the Lord Thanks be to God.

For the King and his family, and all who under him bear the responsibility of government: Let us bless the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

For those who serve in the Armed Forces of the Crown on sea and land and in the air: at home and abroad - let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God.

For doctors, nurses, chaplains, and all who minister to those in need or distress: let us bless the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

For the unity of our people within the Commonwealth: let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God.

For the sacrifices made, especially in two world wars, and in recent conflicts whereby our peace has been preserved: let us bless the Lord **Thanks be to God.** For the Royal British Legion: let us bless the Lord **Thanks be to God.** Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict, and ask that God may give us peace:

for the service men and women who have died in the violence of war, each one remembered by and known to God;

for those who love them in death as in life, offering the distress of our grief and the sadness of our loss...... for all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return; for civilian women, children and men whose lives are disfigured by war or terror, calling to mind in penitence the anger and hatreds of humanity; for peacemakers and peace-keepers, who seek to keep this world secure and free;

for all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military and religious; asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve in the search for reconciliation and peace. We pray for peace in Ukraine and peace in all places of conflict.

God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish, and those whose names we will never know.

Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world,

and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm. As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and forever. **Amen.** We offer to God our sacrifice of praise and the service of our lives. May the God of rest go before us. May the peace of Christ go with us. May the comfort of the Spirit follow us. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with us all and remain with us always. Amen.