CHRIST CHURCH  
Amherst, NS

Sunday, November 11th, 2018

Requiem Eucharist of  
Remembrance and Thanksgiving
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Remembrance Day Service

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9:30 a.m. - Requiem Eucharist of Remembrance and Thanksgiving (combined service)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Gathering of the Community
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Today we meet in the presence of God. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and 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.

Collect of the Day
Let us pray:
Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Ruth (3:1 - 5 & 4:13 - 17)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 127

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (9:24 - 28)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN # 805 (Old Blue Book)
“I Vow To Thee My Country”

I VOW TO THEE MY COUNTRY

1. I vow to thee, my country
   all earthly things above
   Entire and whole and perfect,
   the service of my love;
   The love that asks no question,
   the love that stands the test,
   That lays upon the altar
   the dearest and the best;
   The love that never falters,
   the love that pays the price,
   The love that makes undaunted
   the final sacrifice.
2. And there’s another country
I’ve heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love her,
most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies,
we may not see her King,
Her fortress is a faithful heart,
her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently
her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness
and all her paths are peace.

THE HOLY GOSPEL
Reader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark (12 : 38 - 44)
People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE READING

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN # 593 - “O God of Every Nation”

SERMON
In Flanders Fields

By John McCrae

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.

HYMN  -  CCSB # 36  -  “This Is My Song”

The Prayer for the Departed
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.  Amen.
An Act of Remembrance
Let us remember before God, and commend to his safe 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 the peoples of the world. 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.

“BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH AND I WILL GIVE YOU A CROWN OF LIFE”

1914 - 1918
Thomas Negus
Harry L. Dupuy
Charles F. Linsdell
C. T. Montizambert
Frederick J. Neal
William Vallett
Thomas W. Broughton
Joseph Crawshaw
Carroll Shand
George Hinds
George J. Vinson

David Jones
Stanley Sutton
Dan S. Swetnam
Sgt. Major E. A. Siddle
A. Leonard Oliver
Frederick Chapman
Wallace Bugley
Harry C. Fuller
Lieut. Donald Munroe
George Chapman

1939 - 1945
Donald A. Neal
Robert William Mills
George Hagen
Dawson Dunlop
Douglas Gordon Black
Phillip Royal MacGilvray

Wallace Brown
William Nichol
Lieut. Donald Munroe
Arthur Morris Tooke
Arnold Ernest Thornton
Douglas B. Farrow

Korean War       United Nations       Peace-Keeping
ONE MINUTE OF SILENCE

MEDITATION - Organ

HYMN # 659 - v. 1 - “The National Anthem”

A Prayer for the Armed Forces
Almighty God reach forth your mighty arm to strengthen and protect the armed forces: grant that meeting danger with courage and all occasions with discipline and loyalty, they may truly serve the cause of justice and peace; to the honor of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN # 660 - v. 1 - “The Royal Anthem”

Prayers of the People
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; may God give peace.

God give peace.

For those who love them in death as in life, offering the distress of our grief and the sadness of our loss; may God give peace.

God give peace.

For all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return, may God give peace.

God give peace.
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; may God give peace.

God give peace.

For peacemakers and peacekeepers, who seek to keep this world secure and free; may God give peace.

God give peace.

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, may God give peace.

God give peace.

O 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 honor the past may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. Amen.

Confession and Absolution
Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world, its pride, its selfishness, its greed; its evil divisions and hatreds. Let us confess our share in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for his children.
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Blessed are the peace makers; they shall be called children of God. We meet in the name of Christ and now let us share his peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN - # 567 -
“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Prayer Over the Gifts
Gracious and righteous Lord, we are united in the love of Jesus Christ. Accept all we offer you this day, and bring us, with all your faithful people who have gone before us, into his eternal glory; who is Lord, now and for ever. Amen.
The Agnus Dei
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Communion

Holy Eucharist is a joyful celebration of our life together in Jesus Christ. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion here. The response to receiving the bread and wine is ‘Amen’. If you would like to come forward and receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, please cross your arms as you come to the rail.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION:

Hymn # 553 - “Ubi Caritas et Amor”
   # 11 - CCSB - “Here I Am, Lord”

Prayer after Communion
Heavenly Father, bring to perfection within us the communion we share in this sacrament. May the unity we know this day live in our community and family. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Doxology
Glory to God,
whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN - # 12 - “I am the Bread of Life”

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TODAY:
10:45 a.m. - Remembrance Day Service at the Cenotaph and Trinity St. Stephen’s United Church

THIS WEEK:
Monday, November 12th
The Church Office will be closed.

Tuesday, November 13th
2:00 p.m. - Quilting Afternoon (Multi-Purpose Room)

Wednesday, November 14th
10:30 a.m. - Bible Study
6:30 p.m. - EfM

Thursday, November 15th
6:00 p.m. - Games Night
6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice
Thursday, November 15\textsuperscript{th}, Friday, November 16\textsuperscript{th} and Saturday, November 17\textsuperscript{th} - 7:00 p.m.
Showcase Productions Society proudly presents

and that’s the way it’ll always be

Upstairs at Dayle’s Grand Market - Tickets $10.00
(more information on bulletin board in the narthex)

Sunday, November 18\textsuperscript{th}
9:00 a.m. - Parish Breakfast
12:30 p.m. - St. Monica’s ACW Meeting

Monday, November 19\textsuperscript{th}
7:00 p.m. - Parish Council (Special Meeting)

Tuesday, November 20\textsuperscript{th}
6:30 p.m. - Spiritual Development Meeting

Wednesday, November 21\textsuperscript{st}
10:30 a.m. - Bible Study
6:30 p.m. - EfM

Thursday, November 22\textsuperscript{nd}
6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice

Friday, November 23\textsuperscript{rd} or Saturday, November 24\textsuperscript{th}
TBD - Decorate the Parish Hall for the Christmas Season

Friday, November 30\textsuperscript{th}
1:30 p.m. - Setup for Christmas Bazaar

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1\textsuperscript{st}
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - ACW Christmas Bazaar
Church Calendars for 2019 are now available at the Church Office for $5.00 each. Pick yours up today!

**Forward Day by Day** - Daily Bible Readings for November, December and January are available. Cost - $1.50 each.

St. Monica’s ACW are selling tickets on a Christmas Gift Basket. Tickets are $2.00 each or 3 for $5.00. Draw date - December 21st, 2018

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**BOARD & CARD GAMES NIGHT**

***** FUN FOR ALL AGES *****

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15th - 6:00 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room - All are welcome!

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**CHRISTMAS CHEER PROGRAM**

Next Week - Sunday, November 18th - Please bring:

* Mayonnaise - 500 ml.
  * White Sugar
  * Tea Bags

Suggested items for last week were canned brown beans, peanut butter and apple juice.

Why not adopt a box as a family. Cost of a box is approximate $95.00. Receipts will be given.
A Day of Remembrance
Generations of Canadians have served our country and the world during times of war, military conflict and peace. Through their courage and sacrifice, these men and women have helped to ensure that we live in freedom and peace, while also fostering freedom and peace around the world. Canada’s involvement in the First and Second World Wars, the Korean War, and Canada’s efforts during military operations and peace efforts has always been fueled by a commitment to protect the rights of others and to foster peace and freedom. Many Canadians have died for these beliefs, and many others have dedicated their lives to these pursuits. This willingness to stand up to protect human rights, freedom and justice remains one of Canada’s defining characteristics in the eyes of the world.

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