Remembrance Sunday 09.11.25 10:30am in Churchfields Park

Welcome: Rev. Stephanie Alvis (Curate, St Mary's Hanwell)

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.

Confession

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.

After a short silence, all say:

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen

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

Amen

Song – Abide with me

- Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
 The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
 When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
 Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
- Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
 Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
 Change and decay in all around I see.
 O thou who changest not, abide with me.
- 3. I need thy presence every passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who like thyself my guide and strength can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.
- I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless, ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
 I triumph still, if thou abide with me.
- Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.
 Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
 Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;
 In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Bible Reading

New Testament reading – 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Talk – Alison Ingram (Ordinand, St Mary's Hanwell)

Prayer of commitment – Rev. Stephanie Alvis (Curate, St Mary's Hanwell)

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service. Will you strive for all that makes for peace? **We will.** Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? **We will.** Will you work for a just future for all humanity? **We will.**

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, and live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen redeemer. **Amen**

Prayers – led by Scouts

At the end of each section we say:

May your kingdom come and your will be done **On Earth as in Heaven.**

And at the end:

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen

Song – Amazing Grace

- Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
 That saved a wretch like me!
 I once was lost, but now am found,
 Was blind, but now I see.
- 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!
- 3. Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come:'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

- The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
- 5. When we've been there a thousand years Bright shining as the sun We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun

Act of Remembrance

We stand in silence as a mark of respect to all who died in two World Wars and subsequent conflicts.

They shall not grow 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.

Two minutes silence are kept

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

The National Anthem

God save our gracious King! Long live our noble King! God save the King! Send him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us, God save the King.

Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

What's on @ St Mary's

Every Sunday

Online @ 9 livestreamed Online service starts 8:50am www.facebook.com/StMarysHanwell
10:30am Communion in Church with Children and Youth Groups (1st Sunday of the month is a Family Service)

Pantomime - Robin Hood

27th, 28th & 29th November at the Church Hall www.stmaryshanwell.org.uk/pantomime

Advent and Christmas in Church

14th December 6pm Carol Service*

24th December 3pm & 5pm Christingle, 11pm Midnight Communion*

25th December 10.30am Christmas Day Family Service*

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