Introductory Sentence

"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."

Prayer

Lord Jesus, you said,
"Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends"
We remember with gratitude all who have given their lives for us.
We pray that the day will come when wars will cease allowing all to live in love and peace: Amen

Bible Reading

God will judge between the nations, and will mediate for many peoples; and they will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up the sword against nation, and never again will they learn war.

Isaiah 2:4

Reflection & Meditation

Sadly, in the world today there continues to be war between nations. We pray that the day may come when peace will be throughout the earth.

Spend a while with the following words [often said at Remembrance services]

"Tell them of us and say, For your tomorrow, We gave our today.'

Reflect on the past and on the benefits that have come through others sacrificing time, care, energy, even their own lives for us.



Think of family, friends and loved ones, who have died over the years, whether in times of war or peace. Remember and bring to mind the precious memories of happier times spent together and give thanks.

Hymn

Make me a channel of your peace:

Where there is hatred,
let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your pardon Lord,
and where there's doubt,
true faith in you.

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, Master, 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: 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.

St. Francis of Assisi

Jesus said:

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be the children of God" Matthew 5:9

Let us pray:

God of compassion hear our prayers for all who suffer as a result of conflict, for all who have died in times of war. We pray for those who died in active service and all innocent civilians,

Lord, hear our prayer

God of compassion hear our prayers for all whose lives are disfigured by war or terror, calling to mind those who live daily in fear and oppression.

Lord, hear our prayer

God of truth hear our prayers for all who hold positions of leadership.

Fill their hearts and minds with a desire to work together for reconciliation and peace.

Lord, hear our prayer

God of justice hear our prayers for peacemakers and peacekeepers, who are striving to keep this world a safe place and not one of fear.

Lord, hear our prayer

God of love hear our prayer that the world, the communities around us, our homes and our hearts, may be filled with Jesus' peace that passes all understanding.

Amen

Hymn

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come. Be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts

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We Will Remember Them

