The Church of the Good Shepherd, Brighton

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 8th November 2026



Please pray:

For the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

For all Workplace Chaplains. Industrial, Fire, Police, Ambulance, Coastguard, Airport and School/College Chaplains.

For all places of conflict around the world.

For neighbours in Dyke Road.

For Elias, Pauline Grimstone, Veronica Holden, Paul Thompson, Trevor, Robin, Rols Ham-Riche, Sarah, Jess, Carole, Roger Grady, AJ, Mr Jackson, Peter.

For Alan Turner (recently departed), Eveline Mitchell, all those who have died as a result of conflict.

Welcome to The Church of the Good Shepherd. This sheet has everything you need to follow what is going on. The writing in the red italics gives instructions. The text in normal type will be spoken by a priest, reader or other member of the congregation. We all join in with the bold type, including the hymns.

Please stand when the bell rings and the altar party enters.

Processional Hymn
NEH 417

1 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;

2 Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

6 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 (1674-1748)

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

We remain standing as the priest introduces the celebration. We say the Prayer of Preparation.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Penitential Rite

The priest invites us to call to mind our sins.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.

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.

Kyrie Eleison

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

The Collect

We remain standing for the Collect:

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Wisdom 6:12-16
A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13-end
A reading from the first letter St Paul to the Thessalonians.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

We stand for the Gospel reading.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Jesus Christ is the First-born from the dead;
to him be glory and power for ever and ever.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 25:1-13
'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy

it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, “Lord, lord, open to us.” But he replied, “Truly I tell you, I do not know you.” Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

And the end of the Gospel:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

We sit for the sermon.

The Creed

Please stand for the Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

The Intercessions

If you are able, we remain standing. In the intercessions, we make the response:
Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

At the end of the prayers we say together:
Merciful Father, accept these prayers,
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Peace

Please remain standing as the celebrant introduces the Peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

During the Offertory Hymn, the Gifts of Bread and Wine are presented by the people. A collection is taken. There is also a Card machine at the back of the church. You are welcome to use it at the end of the service if you would like to make any donation.

Offertory Hymn
NEH 468

1 Through the night of doubt and sorrow
Onward goes the pilgrim band,
Singing songs of expectation,
Marching to the Promised Land.

2 Clear before us through the darkness
Gleams and burns the guiding light;
Brother clasps the hand of brother,
Stepping fearless through the night.

3 One the light of God's own presence
O'er his ransomed people shed,
Chasing far the gloom and terror,
Brightening all the path we tread;

4 One the object of our journey,
One the faith which never tires,
One the earnest looking forward,
One the hope our God inspires:

5 One the strain that lips of thousands
Lift as from the heart of one;
One the conflict, one the peril,
One the march in God begun;

6 One the gladness of rejoicing
On the far eternal shore,
Where the One Almighty Father
Reigns in love for evermore.

Bernhardt Ingemann (1789-1862)
Tr. S. Baring-Gould (1834-1924)

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

We remain standing. The Invitation to Prayer is said:
Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

The priest then prays the Prayer over the Gifts to which we respond:

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.
The priest praises God for his mighty acts, and we sing the Sanctus and Benedictus:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Mass of St Cedd, Nardone

The priest prays the prayer of consecration, and this acclamation is said:
Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.
The Prayer continues, leading into the doxology, which ends
... for ever and ever.
Amen.

The priest introduces the Lord's Prayer:
Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Breaking of Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated host:

We break this bread, to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

We sit or kneel, and sing the Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.

Mass of St Cedd, Nardone

Giving of Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to
receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

If you are baptised in the name of the Trinity, and are used to receiving communion, you are very welcome to do so here. Otherwise, you may like to come forward for a blessing. Please bring this sheet with you to indicate that you would like a blessing.

Please do not intinct. If you are unwell, please help us to keep those who are immunocompromised safe by refraining from taking the chalice. It is perfectly valid to receive the bread only.

Choir

We will remember them, Elgar

Communion Hymn
NEH 305

1 Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

2 Strength and protection may thy passion be,
O blessèd Jesu, hear and answer me;
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,
So shall I never, never part from thee.

3 Guard and defend me from the foe malign,
In death's dread moments make me only thine;
Call me and bid me come to thee on high
Where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.
And bring us safe to heaven.

Post Communion

We stand as the priest prays:

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

We pray together:

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.

The Notices

Please sit for the notices.

The Act of Remembrance

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.

The fallen of the two world wars from the parish of The Good Shepherd, and from Mowden School, are remembered.

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.

The Last Post is sounded, followed by a two minute silence. This ends with the Reveille.

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
NEH 489

1 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!

2 Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour,
Long may he reign:
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice
God save The King!

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The priest asks God's blessing on us, which ends:
...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 the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary

Solemn Melody, Walford Davies

THIS WEEK

Monday 9th November	
10.15am (Zoom opens 9.45am) 8pm	Bible Study Sung Eucharist
Tuesday 10th November *St Leo the Great*	
2pm - 4pm	Tea at The Good Shepherd
Wednesday 11th November *St Martin of Tours*	
11am	The Eucharist *at Oaklands Nursing Home*
Thursday 12th November	
10.30am 7pm - 8.30pm	The Eucharist Bell Ringing
Sunday 15th **The Second Sunday before Advent**	
8.00am **10.15am** 11.30am	The Eucharist **Parish Eucharist** with Sunday School Sunday Snippets

NOTICES

Welcome this morning to representatives from Lancing Prep Hove, and from the Fifth Preston Park Brownies, who will laying wreaths as part of our Act of Remembrance.

There will be a brief meeting for those of you involved in organising the Christmas Fayre at the end of our Parish Eucharist this morning.

Please do take away Raffle Tickets to sell! We have 2000 to shift and we don't want any back! Zena Kelly and Margaret Rose are handing them out.

As part of Christmas Fayre preparations, please start to bring in:

- Bottles (for the Bottle Tombola)
- Small prizes for a children's tombola
- Things to sell (gifts, jewellery)

There's a full list at the back on the noticeboard of what we need.

Please do remember to express your interest for our pilgrimage to **Walsingham** from 24th - 26th September 2027. There are spare handouts from last week's Sunday Snippets to find out more.

The **Bishop's Certificate** is an excellent course at Church House Hove to help lay people deepen their faith and confidence in beliefs and ministry. It starts again next January. More info to take away, and please indicate your interest on the sign up sheet by the 15th November.

Please put our parish **Gardening Morning** into your diaries on Saturday 28th November. Drop in any time between 9am and 12 noon (with tools if you have them).

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