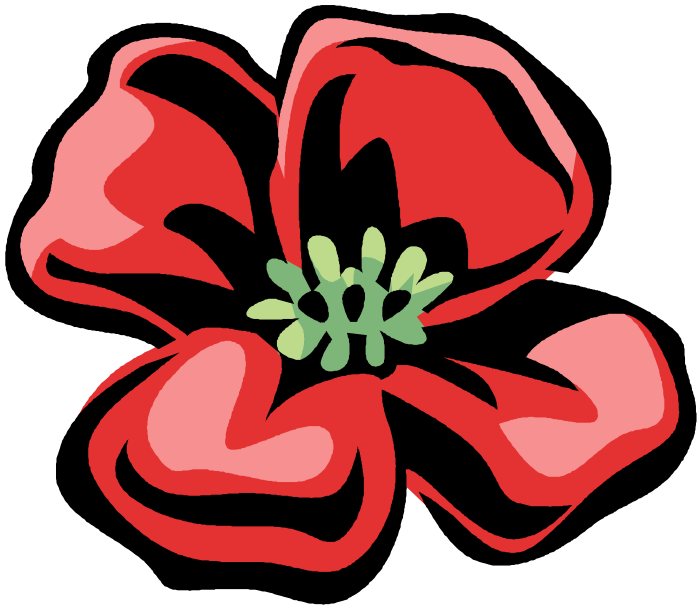
CHURCHES TOGETHER IN GROBY & GROBY EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2026



WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

The minister introduces the service:

God is our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble. This I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning.

We meet in the presence of God. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between 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.

READINGS

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the World gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

John 14:27

The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

James 3 17:27

This is the message we have heard from you, that God is light and in Him there is no darkness.

1 John 1:5

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SHORT REFLECTION

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

All turn to face the War Memorial

The minister introduces 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 mankind.

A list of those to be remembered by name is read by a Scout and a Guide and wreaths are laid.

An older person will say:

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.

All We will remember them.

The Last post is played, followed by the two minutes silence and the Reveille.

A younger person will say:

When you go home, tell them of us and say:
For your tomorrow, we gave our today.

The minister says the Prayer of Remembrance.

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.

HYMN

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

**Beneath 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.

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

THE PRAYERS

Our prayers are led by Andrew, from the URC.

Let us pray:

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
All God give peace

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

For civilian women, children and men whose lives are disfigured by war and terror, calling to mind in penitence the anger and hatreds of humanity.
May God give peace

All God give peace

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

All 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

All God give peace

O God of truth 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 the future:
For you are the source of life and hope, now and forever.

All Amen

The intercessions conclude with the Lord's Prayer

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with confidence and in the language closest to our heart as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, Notre Père...
hallowed be thy name; Baba wa...
thy kingdom come; 我們在天上的父...
thy will be done; Nna Anyi…

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,
forever and ever.
Amen.

Ojce Nasz...
Vater unser...
Ein Tad...
Wo tye…
Baba mu...
...أبانا
Padre nuestro...
Πάτερ ἡμῶν...
Отче наш…
Pater noster…

ACT OF COMMITMENT

The minister says

Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellows: that we may help, encourage, and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of the nations.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?
All We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?
All We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?
All We will.

Merciful God, we offer you the fears in us
which have not yet been cast out by love:
may we learn to accept the hope
you have placed in the hearts of all people, and may we live lives of justice, courage and mercy;
through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer.
All 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.

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 DISMISSAL

May God grant to the living, grace;
and to the departed, rest;
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth,
and all people,
unity, peace and concord;
and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
be among us and remain with us always.
Amen

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