St Andrew's Church

Orford with Longford

**The Third Sunday Before Advent**

**Remembrance Sunday**

**10th November 2019**

**THE GATHERING**

**Introit hymn:** 166 ‘Crown him with many crowns’

Priest: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

All: 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.

Priest: Jesus says, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.’ So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

After a period for silent reflection:

All: 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.

Priest: 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.**

**All** 🎜 ***Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest*** *(twice)*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth; Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory

***Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest*** *(twice)*

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

***Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest*** *(twice)*

For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord; You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ. With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

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**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 fore ever. **Amen**

#### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**A reading from the book of Job** *(Job 19. 23–27a)*

Job said to his companions: ‘O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock for ever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.’

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Hymn:** *(remain seated)* 355 ‘I vow to thee, my country’

**A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Thessalonians** *(2 Thess 2. 1–5, 13–17)*

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? 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.

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**Gradual hymn:** *(please stand)* 427 ‘For the healing of the nations’

The Gospel

Priest: Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

**All 🎜 … Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke *(Lk 20. 27–38)*

All 🎜 Glory to you. O Lord

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus, and asked him a question, ‘Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally, the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.’ Jesus said to them, ‘Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.’

This is the gospel of the Lord.

All 🎜 Praise to you, O Christ

##### The sermon

*We stand to affirm our faith in the worlds of the Nicene Creed:*

Priest: We believe in one God,

**All: 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 Intercession *(please kneel)*

Priest: In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father

The prayers are led by a member of the congregation. Each section ends:

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy

**All Hear our prayer.**

**Please remember in your prayers:**

* **those who are ill:**  (4) Lynn Burman, Michael Stringer, Michelle Smith, Joyce Hetherington (3) John Hall, Pauline Smith, Callum Foy (2) Mark Shepherd, Marion Greatorex, Eileen Whitehead (1) Vera Wood, Jim Sutcliffe, Ann Carmen
* **any who have died** Norma Lee, Denis Bostock, Betty Alcock and all those who have died in war
* **those whose year's mind falls at this time**:

***Tuesday:*** Dave Crozier senior

***Wednesday:*** Wilf Barnett

***Saturday:*** Jim Peers

*After the final petition:*

Intercessor: Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers**

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

**The Peace**   *(please stand)*

Priest:To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you

Everyone is invited to share the peace with one another.

**Offertory Hymn:**  384 ‘Be still, my soul, the Lord is on your side’

Eucharistic Prayer E *(please kneel)*

Priest: The Lord is here.

**All 🎜 His Spirit is with us.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

**All 🎜 We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All 🎜 It is right to give thanks and praise.

Priest: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should always sing of your glory, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For you are the hope of the nations, the builder of the city that is to come. Your love made visible in Jesus Christ brings home the lost, restores the sinner and gives dignity to the despised. In his face your light shines out flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one in your kingdom a divided and broken humanity. Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation we glorify your name, for ever praising you and *singing*:

**All** 🎜 **Holy, holy, holy Lord; Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest, Hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna, hosanna in the highest, Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Priest: We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness if sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All 🎜 Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Priest: Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with Saint Andrew and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All 🎜 Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

Priest: Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All: 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.

Priest: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**All: Though we are many, we are one body,**

**because we all share in one bread.**

**All** 🎜 **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us, have mercy on us, have mercy.** *(twice)*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace**.

Priest: Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,**

**but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Holy Communion is administered at the front of Church. Everyone is warmly invited to receive Holy Communion at this Eucharist. Those who prefer to receive a blessing are also invited to come forward at the same time.

During the distribution of the Sacrament, the following hymns are sung:

Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ our Lord

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Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.

Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ our Lord

Love, perfect love, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Love, perfect love, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.

Love, perfect love, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Faith, perfect faith, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

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Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.

Faith, perfect faith, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Hope, perfect hope, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Hope, perfect hope, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.

Hope, perfect hope, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Joy, perfect joy, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

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Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.

Joy, perfect joy, is the gift of Christ our Lord.

Eternal God, before whose face we stand,

your earthly children, fashioned by your hand,

hear and behold us, for to you alone

all hearts are open, all our longings known:

so for our world, and for ourselves we pray

the gift of peace, O Lord, in this our day.

We come with grief, with thankfulness and pride,

to hold in honour those who served and died;

we bring our hurt, our loneliness and loss,

to him who hung forsaken on the cross;

who, for our peace, our pains and sorrows bore,

and with the Father lives for evermore.

O Prince of Peace, who gave for us your life,

look down in pity on our sin and strife.

May this remembrance move our hearts to build

a peace enduring, and a hope fulfilled,

when every flag of tyranny is furled

and wars at last shall cease in all the world.

From earth’s long tale of suffering here below

we pray the fragile flower of peace may grow,

till cloud and darkness vanish from our skies

to see the Sun of Righteousness arise.

When night is past and peace shall banish pain,

all shall be well, in God’s eternal reign.

**After Communion:**

*After a period for silent prayer:*

Priest: Let us pray:

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken 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**

##### The Act of Remembrance *(please remain kneeling):*

Prayers will be offered, concluding with the Citation.



The response following

‘We will remember them’ is **‘We will remember them’.**

This is followed by ‘Last Post’ and silence. After the silence, *Reveille* is played and a final prayer is offered.

*Please then remain kneeling to sing:*

O valiant hearts, who to your glory came

Through dust of conflict and through battle flame;

Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,

Your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

These were his servants, in his steps they trod,

Following through death the martyred Son of God:

Victor he rose; victorious too shall rise

They who have drunk his cup of sacrifice.

Still stands the Cross from that dread hour to this,

Like some bright star above the dark abyss;

Still, through the veil, the Victor’s pitying eyes

Look down to bless our lesser Calvaries.

O risen Lord, O Shepherd of our dead,

Whose cross has brought them and whose staff has led,

In glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land

Commits her children to thy gracious hand.

Priest:Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

**Recessional Hymn:** 537 ‘O God our help in ages past’

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: In the name of Christ

Services and Notices for the coming week:

Tues 12th: 7.00pm Parish Office and Christmas Choir Practice

8.00pm PCC meeting in church

Wed 13th: 7.00pm Eucharist

Thurs 14th: 10.30am Eucharist with Year 6 children present

11.30am Requiem (funeral) for Norma Lee

8.00pm Thursday Ladies' Club meet at the vicarage

Sat 16th: 9.30am Set up for the Christmas Fair

1.00pm **CHRISTMAS FAIR** opens

**Next Sunday The Second Sunday before Advent**

**(17th Nov) 10.00am Sung Eucharist**

**Tea and Coffee:** will be served after this morning’s service. Do please join us.

**The Christmas Fair:** is just a matter of days away. **Please**:

* keep the date free and join us
* **invite everyone** you know to come along
* take handbills to friends and neighbours; display a poster at home or elsewhere!
* sell Draw Tickets. Please return counterfoils before the Fair if possible –perhaps via the Charity Shop on Wednesday.
* contributions to the First Prize – we still need four
* help on the day
* Donations towards the Hamper gratefully received – list at the back of church
* Any more bottles or prizes for the Grand Draw please? A bottle of spirits (gin, whisky…?)
* Cakes for the cake stall – please bring them on Saturday morning

##### Thank you

**St Andrew’s Day:** We will celebrate our Patronal Festival on Sunday 1st December at 10.00am. We will be joined by children from school, together with their families. Please do make a special effort to join us that Sunday – it would be really good to have everyone in church on this special occasion.

**Help needed** to set up for Christmas Fair. **Friday afternoon** from 2.00pm to put up stalls, grotto, and decorations. No goods on the stalls until **Saturday morning** from 9.30am. Stalls will be finished ready for the opening. Please arrive early. Sandwich lunches will be available in the Hall.

**Hand bills to be delivered** – please take some for your street and to give to friends and family. **Please publicise WIDELY!**

**Please display POSTERS and take to clubs, shops etc**

**many Draw Tickets still to be sold** – one last push please

**2nd prize christmas Hamper** – would you contribute one item, please?

**Coach Trip** – to Meadow Hall Shopping complex in Sheffield. Sat 6th December if there’s sufficient interest. Cost approx £7 - £10 depending on numbers. Please sign up today.

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Priest: In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

(All kneel)

Leader: Hear our prayers, heavenly Father, for the peace of the world; for statesmen and rulers that they may have wisdom to know, and courage to do, what is right …

for all who work to improve international relationships that they might find the true way to reconcile people of different race, colour and creed …

for men and women, the world over, that they may have justice and freedom, and live in security and peace.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Merciful Father, hear our prayers for your Church around the world, that it might be your instrument of justice and love in our war-torn world.

We bring before you the leaders of our Church, that they may exercise their positions of authority wisely and for the good of all your people.

And so we pray for all the troubled spots in our world – both those known to us today and also those known only to you.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Father, we pray for all who suffer as a result of war:

for the injured and disabled,

for the mentally distressed,

and for those whose faith in you has been weakened or destroyed…

for the homeless and refugees, for those who are hungry,

and for those who have lost their livelihood or security…

for those who mourn their dead,

for those who have lost husband or wife, children or parents,

and especially for those who have no hope in Christ to sustain them in their grief.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: And so Father, we commend to your love all those who are ill at this time and who have asked our prayers, including Michelle Smith, Joyce Hetherington, John Hall, Pauline Smith, Callum Foy, Mark Shepherd, Marion Greatorex, Vera Wood, Jim Sutcliffe and Ann Carmen. May they find wholeness and healing in you.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Heavenly Father, whose dominion extends over all life, hear our prayers for the faithful departed who have passed into your glorious kingdom, including Norma Lee, Dennis Bostock and Betty Alcock who have died recently, and for Dave Crozier senior, Jim Peers, and Wilf Barnett whose anniversary falls this week.

We remember with thanksgiving all who have laid down their lives in war for the good of others.

May your whole Church, living and departed, come to a joyful resurrection in the city of eternal light.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

**All: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Rejoicing in the fellowship of the Church on earth, we join our prayers with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Andrew and all the saints in glory.

Merciful Father,

**All: accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

##### The Act of Remembrance *(please remain kneeling):*

Priest: Let us remember all who have died in war:

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day …

fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

*The Citation:*

Jenny: 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:

All: **We will remember them.**

This is followed by ‘***Last Post***’ and silence.

Then ***Reveille***, followed by:

Priest: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, infinite in wisdom, love and power; have compassion on those for whom we pray; and help us to use all suffering in the cause of your kingdom; though him who gave himself for us on the cross, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen**

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