Remembrance Sunday



St John the Baptist Rogerstone

Welcome to Church

We hope you enjoy the service today.
Whether it's your first time visiting or whether you've been many times before, **welcome**, we are so happy to see you. If you need any help before, during, or after the service please do ask one of our welcome team, who are located near the door.



Accessibility and Participation

During the service, please feel free to stand, kneel or sit as you feel comfortable. Everyone is invited to take part in the way that feels right for them. Indications of suggested posture and actions are included, in **[blue],** throughout this booklet but are not mandatory.

Responses for the congregation can be found in **bold**.

Please leave this booklet behind at the end of the service.

We are glad you are here.
We want to get to know you.
We want you to know us.
We know God loves us all.
We don't wish you to hide who you are.
We hope you will want to belong.
We welcome the gifts and talents you bring.



Opening Hymn

[Stand] (Flags are brought to the altar during the hymn)

The Lord is my Sheperd (Psalm 23), by Stuart Townend

VERSE 1
The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want
He makes me lie in pastures green
He leads me by the still still waters
His goodness restores my soul

CHORUS	DESCANT
And I will trust in You alone	*I will trust I will trust in You*
And I will trust in You alone	*I will trust I will trust in You*
For Your endless mercy follows me	*Endless mercy follows me*
Your goodness will lead me home	*Goodness will lead me home*

VERSE 2
He guides my ways in righteousness
And He anoints my head with oil
And my cup it overflows with joy
I feast on His pure delights

VERSE 3
And though I walk the darkest path I will not fear the evil one
For You are with me And Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know



Welcome and opening prayers

God is our refuge and strength always ready to help in times of trouble. We meet in God's presence.

Today we commit ourselves to working for understanding, forgiveness, and friendship among all people, so that everyone may live in freedom, justice, and peace.

We pray for those who still suffer because of war, violence, or acts of terror; for those who grieve, for those living with injuries in body or mind, and for all whose lives have been changed by conflict.

We remember with gratitude and sorrow, those whose lives were lost in wars past and present, those who gave, and those who had taken from them, the precious gift of life.

Jesus said,
"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 be afraid." **Amen.**

Let us pray.
God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings



1st Reading - Micah 4:1-5 (The Message translation)

[SIT]

But when all is said and done, God's Temple on the mountain, firmly fixed, will dominate all mountains, towering above surrounding hills.

People will stream to it and many nations set out for it,
Saying, "Come, let's climb God's mountain.
Let's go to the Temple of Jacob's God.

He will teach us how to live. We'll know how to live God's way." True teaching will issue from Zion, God's revelation from Jerusalem.

He'll establish justice in the rabble of nations and settle disputes in faraway places. They'll trade in their swords for shovels, their spears for rakes and hoes. Nations will quit fighting each other, quit learning how to kill one another.

Each man will sit under his own shade tree, each woman in safety will tend her own garden. God-of-the-Angel-Armies says so, and he means what he says.

Meanwhile, all the other people live however they wish, picking and choosing their gods. But we live honouring God, and we're loyal to our God forever and ever.

2nd Reading - Matthew 5:1-12 (New Living Translation)

One day as he saw the crowds gathering, Jesus went up on the mountainside and sat down. His disciples gathered around him, and he began to teach them.

God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.
God blesses those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
God blesses those who are humble,
for they will inherit the whole earth.
God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice,
for they will be satisfied.
God blesses those who are merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
God blesses those whose hearts are pure,
for they will see God.
God blesses those who work for peace,
for they will be called the children of God.
God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers. Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way.



Song

Lead by the children and young people in our community

[Stand]
Light a candle for peace
Light a candle for love
Light a candle that shines all the way around the world
Light a candle for me
Light a candle for you
That our wish for world peace
Will one day come true!
(repeats)

Sing peace around the world
Sing peace around the world
Sing peace around the world
Sing peace around the world
(combine chorus and verse)

Light a candle for peace
Light a candle for love
Light a candle that shines all the way around the world
Light a candle for me
Light a candle for you
That our wish for world peace
Will one day come true!

[SIT]



A STORY OR POEM



A Reflection



Prayers

Loving God, in dark and difficult times, you spoke about peace — a peace the world can't always give. We ask for that peace today. Fill us with calm hearts, so we can help bring peace wherever we are.
L: Give peace in our time, O Lord
R: **Give peace in our hearts, O Lord**

We pray for people who are hurt because they stand up for what's right — for those who are treated unfairly, locked up, or made to suffer because they tell the truth or try to make the world better. Jesus, who also suffered, give them strength and courage.
L: Give peace in our time, O Lord
R: Give peace in our hearts, O Lord

We pray for those who are harmed by the unkindness or foolishness of others — for people who live in places without justice or safety, and for all who are stopped from living freely and fairly.
L: Give peace in our time, O Lord
R: Give peace in our hearts, O Lord

We pray for those caught in fighting —
for soldiers and families, for children and older people,
for everyone who faces danger, loss, or fear.
Whatever country they are from, whatever language they speak, whatever uniform they wear — we pray for them all.
L: Give peace in our time, O Lord
R: Give peace in our hearts, O Lord

We pray for people whose lives have been broken by war:
for those who cry, and those who can't cry anymore;
for those who are in pain, and those who feel numb;
for people who are prisoners, and for those who guard them;
for anyone who has lost their home or their homeland.
L: Give peace in our time, O Lord
R: Give peace in our hearts, O Lord

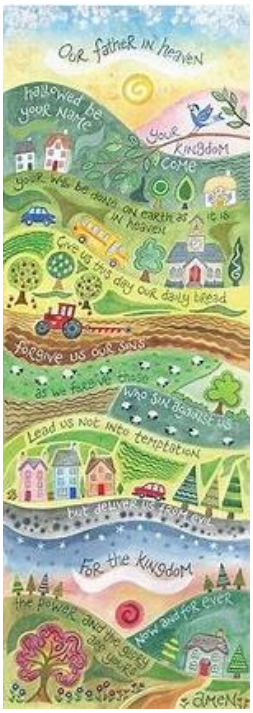
We pray for those who cause trouble or stir up hate;
for those who profit from the pain of others;
for those who turn to harmful things to forget their pain;
and for those who believe peace will never come.
We also bring before you, in silence or aloud, the people and places we especially want to remember today…

(silence)

Hold us close, loving God, and help us to live as people of hope and peace, until the day when your peace fills the whole world.
L: Give peace in our time, O Lord
R: Give peace in our hearts, O Lord

Lord as we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever.

All join in saying 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



Hymn (a collection is taken)

For the Healing of the Nations

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead your people into freedom,
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how, through care and goodness,
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned:
pride of status, race or schooling,
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator-God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness,
bring the life of Christ to mind;
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find .

The Act of Commitment

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.**



The National Anthems

(Flags are collected from the altar during the National Anthems)

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.

The Welsh National Anthem '***Mae Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau'***

1. Mae hen wlad fy nhadau
yn annwyl i mi,
Gwlad beirdd a chantorion,
enwogion o fri;
Ei gwrol ryfelwyr,
gwladgarwyr tra mâd,
Tros ryddid gollasant eu
gwaed.

Chorus:
Gwlad, Gwlad, pleidiol wyf
i'm gwlad,
Tra môr yn fur i'r bur hoff
bau,
O bydded i'r heniaith
barhau.

2. Hen Gymru fynyddig,
paradwys y bardd;
Pob dyffryn, pob clogwyn,
i'm golwg sydd hardd,
Trwy deimlad gwladgarol,
mor swynol yw si,
Ei nentydd, afonydd, i mi.

3. Os treisiodd y gelyn fy
ngwlad dan ei droed,
Mae hen iaith y Cymry mor
fyw ag erioed,
Ni luddiwyd yr awen gan
erchyll law brad. Na thelyn
berseiniol fy ngwlad.

(Translation)

1. This land of my fathers is dear
to me
Land of poets and singers, and
people of stature
Her brave warriors, fine patriots
Shed their blood for freedom

Chorus:
Land! Land! I am true to my land!
As long as the sea serves as a
wall,
For this pure, dear land
May the language endure for ever.

2. Old land of the mountains,
paradise of the poets,
Every valley, every cliff a beauty
guards;
Through love of my country,
enchanting voices will be
Her streams and rivers to me.

3. Though the enemy have
trampled my country underfoot,
The old language of the Welsh
knows no retreat,
The spirit is not hindered by the
treacherous hand. Nor silenced
the sweet harp of my land.

A Blessing

May God fill the living with grace,
give peace to those who have died,
and bring kindness and harmony
to our community and our world.

And may God's blessing; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be with us today and always. **Amen.**



Thank you for joining us on this special Remembrance Sunday. Services throughout the year take place here on a Sunday morning at 10:45am, every week apart from the last Sunday of each month when there is an evening service 'The Gathering Place', which begins with refreshments at 5pm. There is also a Holy Eucharist on Tuesdays at 10.30am.






ST JOHN'S CHURCH ROGERSTONE







Services of **Holy Eucharist**

Weekly on **Sundays**:
- St Martin in the Gaer @9:30am
- St John the Baptist , Risca Road @9:30am
- St Basil's, Bassaleg @10am
- St Thomas' Maeglas @10:45am
- St John the Baptist, Rogerstone @10:45am (except the last Sunday of the month)

Midweek services:
- St Basil's, Bassaleg @7pm Mondays
- St John the Baptist @10:30am Tuesdays

Monthly:
- St Basil's, Bassaleg, 8:30am only on the first Sunday of the month

Contemporary Services

- The Gathering Place usually meets on the last **Sunday** of the month in St John the Baptist Rogerstone @5pm for afternoon tea, worship starts @5:45pm
- Messy Church usually meets on the first **Sunday** of the month in St Thomas' Maesglas 3-5pm

Regular **Events**

Weekly:
- St Thomas' Tots group **Mondays** 9:15am-11am
- Cuppa and catchup at St John's Rogerstone **Tuesdays** 11.15am- 12:15am
- Community coffee morning at St Basils Church hall Bassaleg **Thursdays** 10:30am-12noon

Monthly:
- Community coffee morning at St John's Rogerstone on the first **Saturday** of the month 10:30am - 12noon.



Church in Wales churches in: Bassaleg & Rhwderin, Rogerstone & Highcross, Alltyryn, Gaer, Maesglas & Duffryn.

Services & events

Why not give church a try? We'd love to welcome you...

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