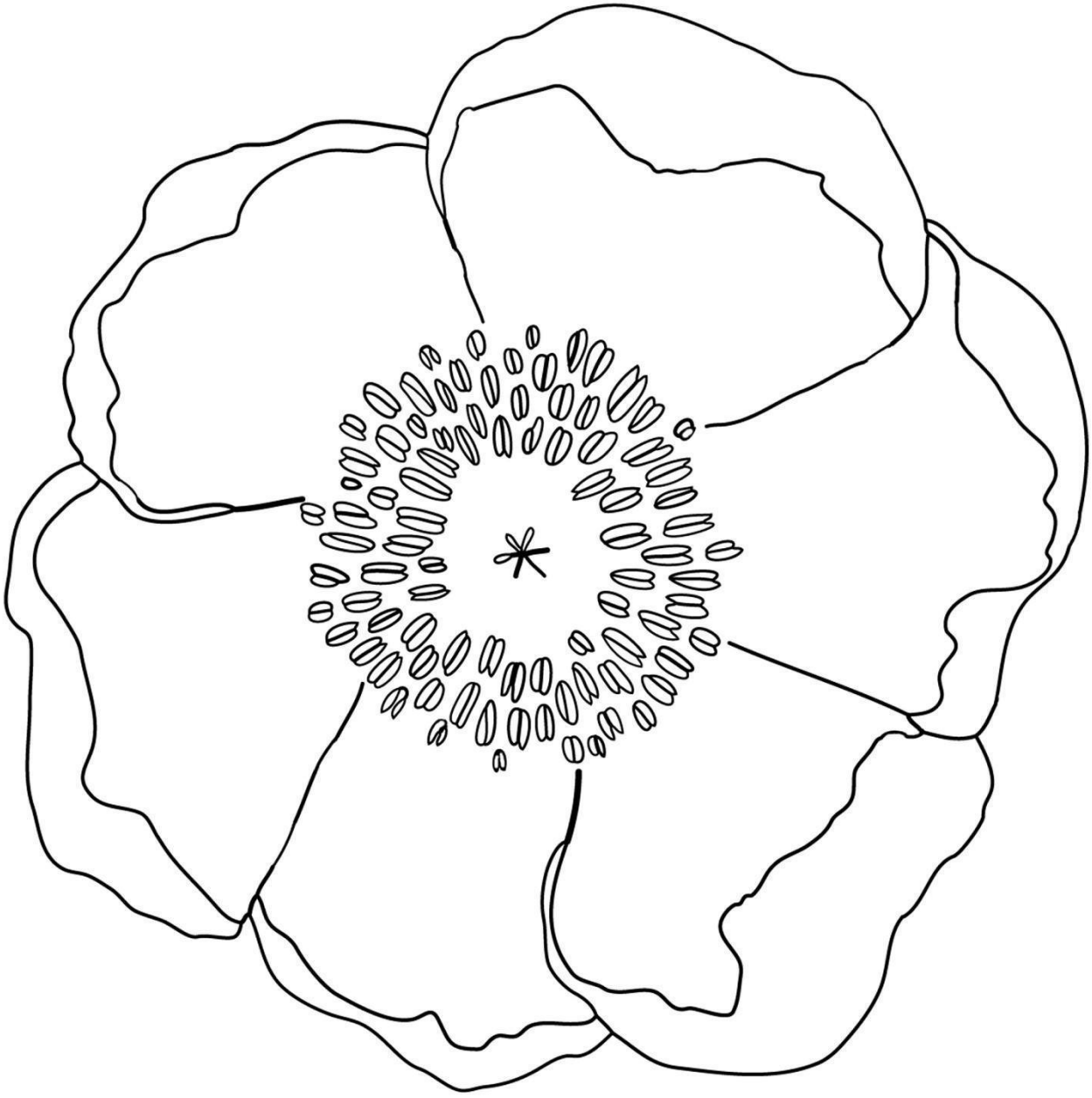
CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD WITH ST. PETER, LEE

Service for Remembrance Sunday

10.30 am Sunday 8th November 2026



All the words you need for this service are included in this booklet. Please join in with the responses in ***bold****. The service leader will invite you to sit or stand at the appropriate time.*

Welcome

"And what does the LORD require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God." *Micah 6:8*

We come together today in the presence of God, to remember with thanksgiving and sorrow, those whose lives - in world wars and conflicts past and present - have been given and taken away.

We come together to commit ourselves to work for reconciliation between and within nations, and to pray for God's help, that all people may live together in freedom, justice & peace.

HYMN: Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;

let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.

Confession – The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class, **Father forgive.**

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own, **Father, forgive.**

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth, **Father, forgive.**

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others, **Father, forgive.**

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee, **Father, forgive.**

The lust which dishonours the bodies of women, men and children, **Father, forgive.**

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God, **Father, forgive.**

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.
Amen.

Collect
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.

Bible Reading – Micah 4:1–5
1. In the last days, the mountain of the Lord's temple
will be established
as the highest of the mountains;
it will be exalted above the hills,
and peoples will stream to it.
2. Many nations will come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the temple of the God of Jacob.
He will teach us his ways,

so that we may walk in his paths."
The law will go out from Zion,
the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
3. He will judge between many peoples
and will settle disputes for strong nations far and wide.
They will beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not take up sword against nation,
nor will they train for war anymore.
4. Everyone will sit under their own vine
and under their own fig tree,
and no one will make them afraid,
for the Lord Almighty has spoken.
5. All the nations may walk in the name of their gods,
but we will walk in the name of the Lord
our God for ever and ever.

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

Sermon - Revd Chris Henriette and Richard Burns
There is a crèche room available for younger children if needed

HYMN: God is Love
God is Love: let heav'n adore him;
God is Love: let earth rejoice;

let creation sing before him,
and exalt him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
he who spread the heav'ns above,
he who breathes through all creation,
he is Love, eternal Love.

God is Love: and he enfoldeth
all the world in one embrace;
with unfailing grasp he holdeth
every child of every race.
And when human hearts are breaking
under sorrow's iron rod,
then they find that selfsame aching
deep within the heart of God.

God is Love: and though with blindness
sin afflicts the souls of all,
God's eternal loving-kindness
holds and guides us when we fall.
Sin and death and hell shall never
o'er us final triumph gain;
God is Love, so Love for ever
o'er the universe must reign.

Prayers of Intercession

We pray for the needs of the world

Please stand for the act of remembrance

Act of Remembrance

Let us remember before God, and commend to his safe keeping, those who have died for their country in war; and all who have lived and died in the service of the peoples of the world:

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 played and the two-minute silence is observed.
The Reveille is played at the end of the two-minute silence.

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: 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 us forward, into freedom,
From despair the world release;
That, redeemed from war and hatred,
Men 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 keeping man from man.
In our common quest for justice
May we hallow life's brief span.

You Creator-God have written
Your great Name on all 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.

Choir Anthem: *God so Loved the world*

Act of Commitment

Please stand as the wreath is laid at the base of the war memorial

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

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.

Notices

HYMN: Lord of all Hopefulness

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

<u>Prayer of Blessing</u>

God grant to the living grace, 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 the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen

Notices

St Peter's Procession Service
3 pm today St Peter's building, Weigall Rd SE12 8HQ

Charity Pub Quiz
7.30 pm 10th Nov Station Hotel Pub £3 per person - proceeds go to Helping Hands food bank run with Action for Refugees Lewisham

Open Studios
….is on next weekend. Do drop in to support the event, enjoy some coffee and cake and buy some artwork!

Advent Carol Service
Come and mark the start of the season of Advent with a special service of Advent carols on Sunday 29th November at 10.30 am

Fairtrade Stall Today
As a church we support Fairtrade and we have a Fairtrade stall running today, near the door as you leave the church building. We have Advent goods for sale - traditional-style Advent calendars, Fairtrade chocolate Advent calendars and Advent candles.

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Christingle Service
Sunday 13th December 10.30 – 11.30 am
A 'hands-on' service for all ages
– with free mulled wine, hot chocolate & mince pies!

Pub Carols
Saturday 19th December 5 - 6.30 pm
Carols in The Station Pub to get you in the festive mood
www.stationhotelhithergreen.co.uk

Community Carols
Sunday 20th December 6 – 7 pm in the Church Hall
Join us for a festive sing-along of all your favourite carols
– with free mulled wine, hot chocolate & mince pies!

Lighting the Lamps
Christmas Eve 4.30 pm & 5.45 pm
An illuminating service of music and readings during which the church is taken from darkness to light

Midnight Communion
Christmas Eve 11.30 pm - 12.30 am

Christmas Day Celebration
Christmas Day 10.30 – 11.30 am
A celebration service for all the family including Holy Communion

Church of the Good Shepherd, Handen Rd, SE12 8NR
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