

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN
May 24, 2020 – 10:30 a.m.
Memorial Day Sunday

In Flanders Fields
By Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae
(Composed on May 3, 1915, during the 2nd battle of Ypres, Belgium)

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks still bravely singing fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the dead: Short days ago,
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved: and now we lie
In Flanders fields!*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you, from failing hands, we throw
The torch: be yours to hold it high
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*

WELCOME

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of remembrance.

***We remember our fallen military,
And the sacrifice they made for the sake of others.***

Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of thanksgiving.

***We remember the saints who have gone before us,
Who now rest from their labors.***

On this Sunday of remembrance,

Let us praise God, give thanks, and remember.

HYMN

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

*Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord.
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored.
He has loosed the fateful lightening of His terrible swift sword.
His truth is marching on!*

REFRAIN: *Glory, Glory Hallelujah! Glory, Glory Hallelujah!
Glory, Glory Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.*

*I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps.
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps.
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps.
His day is marching on!*

REFRAIN

*He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat.
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat.
O, be swift, my soul, to answer Him. Be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on!*

REFRAIN

*In the beauty of the lilies, Christ was born across the sea.
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me.
As He died to make us holy, let us live to make all free!
While God is marching on!*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Every Nation, as we remember those who gave their lives for our sake, let us be stirred to action in their memory. We confess that we have not done all that is possible to promote peace and justice in our world. We have not loved our neighbors, let alone our enemies. Forgive us for failing to live up to Your commandments. Empower us to work for Your Kingdom in this world, and welcome us by Your grace into Your Kingdom in the next. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Congregational Response:

*Breathe on me, breath of God. Fill me with life anew.
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.*

OFFERING SENTENCES

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DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, we have experienced Your blessing when we give, so our most generous efforts do not seem like a sacrifice. We give so Your will might be done, and when it is, all of us benefit. Multiply, we pray, the power of these gifts to do the good that You intended. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 98:1-3
Galatians 5:13-14
John 15:12-13

SERMON

“A Memorial Day Message”

Dr. Van Cleef

HYMN # 562

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

*Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the restless wave'
Who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep.
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea!*

*O Savior, whose almighty word the wind and waves submissive heard.
Who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage did sleep.
O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.*

*O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the chaos wild and rude,
And bade its angry tumult cease, and gave, for fierce confusion, peace.
O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.*

*O Trinity of love and power, all travelers guard in danger's hour.
From rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them where so e'er they go.
This evermore shall rise to Thee glad praise from air and land and sea.*

MEMORIAL READING

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: # 526

SINE NOMINE

For All the Saints

*For All the Saints, who from their labors rest, who
Thee by faith before the world confessed, thy
Name, O Je-sus, before ever blest
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through
Gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND JOYS

TO THE KITCHEN FOR COFFEE!

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