

**LAKEVIEW UNITED CHURCH**  
November 7, 2021 Remembrance Sunday  
Worship Leader: Karen Cartmell

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Territory Acknowledgment**

**\*Call to Community** (adapted from R Sykes, *Gathering*, Pent2 2020,p 51, used with permission) used 2020

We gather this morning as the people of God

**The measure of a person's heart is this:**

**Do we remember the sacrifices of the past?**

**Do we work for peace in the present?**

**Do we declare hope for the future?**

We come this morning as the people of God

**To name as our dream God's reign of shalom,**

**To commit ourselves to the cause of peace,**

**And to remember.**

Come, let us worship together as the people of God.

**\*Gathering Song:** 806 Voices United, *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* (verses 1, 3 and 4)

**\*Opening Prayer:** (very loosely adapted from S Ferguson, *Gathering*, Pent2 2017,p 48, used with permission )

O God, our Help in ages past

**Our Home for today, and our Hope for years to come –**

Be with us now as we gather for worship on this Remembrance Sunday.

**We gather to pray for peace, and to remember the ways in which times of war have destroyed God's creation: the land, the water, and the people.**

We gather to remember the loss of so many people through the horrors of war

**This sacred task of remembrance calls us to ensure that the torment of war must end.**

Through the act of remembrance, we understand what is truly lost when nations resort to war.

**God, raise our spirits as we remember those who have died in times of war. Help us understand your call to peacemaking and peacekeeping. Empower us to answer that call in all we say and do, in this service and in our daily lives. And open our hearts to deepen our relationship with you. Amen**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Contemporary Reading – *We Shall Keep the Faith – by Moina Michael***

**Prayer of Confession** (from L Turnbull, *Gathering*, Pent2 2021,p 46, used with permission )

**Gracious God:**

**On this Remembrance Sunday, we acknowledge the double-edged nature of our remembering. We confess the ultimate evil of war and our part and society's part in the violence of our world. And yet, with very real gratitude, we remember those who sacrificed health and life, for freedom from this evil.**

**Stir us, O God, to hear your word this Remembrance Sunday. Strengthen us to work at the unfinished tasks of proclaiming your peace in the midst of our violent world. Amen**

\*Hymn: 527 Voices United, *God! As with Silent Hearts*

Poem - In Flanders Fields - by John McCrae

Words of Remembrance – from poem “For the Fallen” by Laurence Binyon

Last Post

Time of Silence

Reveille

Words of Assurance

Scripture Lessons : John 15: 1-8

Music for Reflection: *I'll Walk with God*

Reflection: Being Connected

\*Hymn: 524 Voices United, *O Canada*

Our Offerings are Blessed & Offering Music: 182 More Voices, *Grateful* (Refrain, X2)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn: *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

\*Benediction

And now into God's world we go  
To continue our walk with Christ  
In all the places life calls us to be.

**As we leave this place of worship**

We go, trusting in God's never-ending care

**We go, seeking to be God's people**

We go, enfolded in praise and prayer

**We go, to be people of peace, justice, and right relationships**

As we leave this time of worship, may we feel the blessing of peace as it calms our trouble spirits and our troubled world.

**Amen**

Benediction Response: *Lord, Send Out Your Spirit*

Postlude