

Westminster Abbey



A Service of Commemoration
and Thanksgiving
to mark ANZAC Day



Tuesday 25th April 2017

Noon

HISTORICAL NOTE

This year marks the 102nd anniversary of the landings on the Gallipoli Peninsula on 25th April 1915.

The Gallipoli campaign exacted a heavy toll on both sides. Some 50,000 Allied troops from the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, France, Canada, Newfoundland, and India lost their lives. Including those wounded or evacuated for sickness, the total number of Allied casualties numbered around 250,000. The Turkish forces lost over 86,000 in addition to those wounded.

Australian and New Zealand forces fought for the first time under a united command as the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, or, more famously, the ANZACs. By April 1917, the Gallipoli campaign was behind them, but further horrors awaited on the Western Front, with losses sustained in the battles for Ypres, Passchendaele, Bullecourt, and Messines still regarded as amongst the worst in Australian and New Zealand history.

In both countries, ANZAC Day, 25th April, not only commemorates those first landings at Gallipoli, but also all the Australians and New Zealanders who have given their lives in the service of their countries.

Members of the congregation are kindly requested to refrain from using private cameras, video, or sound recording equipment. Please ensure that mobile phones and other electronic devices are switched off.

The whole of the church is served by a hearing loop. Users should turn their hearing aid to the setting marked T.

The service is conducted by The Very Reverend Dr John Hall, Dean of Westminster.

The service is sung by the Westminster Abbey Special Service Choir, conducted by James O'Donnell, Organist and Master of the Choristers.

The organ is played by Daniel Cook, Sub-Organist.

The Fanfare Trumpeters from the Band of the Coldstream Guards, directed by Sergeant Major David Wright, perform by kind permission of Major-General Ben Bathurst CBE, Major-General commanding The Household Division.

The Australian flag is borne by Warrant Officer II Daniel Bell.

The New Zealand flag is borne by Warrant Officer Steve Clarke.

The Turkish flag is borne by Staff Sergeant Ozan Suslu.

The flag of the United Kingdom is borne by Major Tom Pauncefort.

Matthew Jorysz, Assistant Organist, plays:

Fantasy on Vexilla Regis *Edgar Bainton (1880–1956)*

Choral in C sharp minor *Jacques Ibert (1890–1962)*

Elegy *Hubert Parry (1848–1918)*

Solemn Prelude, In memoriam
from For the Fallen Edward Elgar (1857–1934)

His Excellency the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Turkey is received at the Great West Door by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster, and is conducted to his place in Quire. All remain seated.

His Excellency The High Commissioner for Australia and His Excellency The High Commissioner for New Zealand are received at the Great West Door by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster. All remain seated.

The Lord Mayor of Westminster is received at the Great West Door by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster. Presentations are made, and he is conducted to his seat. All stand, and then sit.

All stand.

His Royal Highness The Duke of York is received at the Great West Gate by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster.

ORDER OF SERVICE

All remain standing as the procession, together with His Royal Highness The Duke of York, moves to places in Quire and the Sacrarium.

All remain standing for

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

GOD save our gracious Queen.
Long live our noble Queen.
God save The Queen.
Send her victorious,
happy, and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save The Queen.

arranged by Gordon Jacob (1895–1984)

All remain standing. The Very Reverend Dr John Hall, Dean of Westminster, gives

THE BIDDING

THE landing of allied forces at Gallipoli on 25th April 1915 led to one of the bloodiest battles of the First World War. Australian and New Zealand forces joined together for the first time, and a new word entered the language: ANZAC. Remembering that so many died, we honour the bravery and determination of the men at Gallipoli.

The memory of what became known as *The Great War* is with us as a warning and an encouragement. We are warned that war involves suffering and death; we are encouraged by the spirit of national pride shown by the soldiers we remember this ANZAC Day.

As the Union Flag and the flags of Australia and New Zealand are presented at the High Altar with the flag of Turkey in a sign of the reconciliation of old enemies, let us renew our own commitment to the causes of justice and peace throughout the world.

We keep silence as we come into the presence of God.

Silence is kept.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne: steadfast love and faithfulness go before your face.

Psalm 89: 14

All remain standing to sing

THE HYMN

during which the flags of Australia, New Zealand, Turkey, and the United Kingdom are carried through the Abbey Church and placed in the Sacrarium



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.

Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war,
as who had heard God's message from afar;
all you had hoped for, all you had, you gave
to save mankind—yourselves you scorned to save.

Splendid you passed, the great surrender made,
into the light that never more shall fade;
deep your contentment in that blest abode,
who wait the last clear trumpet-call of God.

Long years ago, as earth lay dark and still,
rose a loud cry upon a lonely hill,
while in the frailty of our human clay
Christ, our Redeemer, passed the self-same way.

O risen Lord, O Shepherd of our dead,
whose cross has bought them and whose staff has led,
in glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land
commits her children to thy gracious hand.

The Supreme Sacrifice
Charles Harris (1865–1936)

John Stanhope Arkwright (1872–1954)

All sit. His Excellency The Honourable Alexander Downer AC, High Commissioner for Australia, reads from the Nave Pulpit

THE FIRST READING

THERE will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Isaiah 9: 1–7

All remain seated. The choir sings

PSALM 121

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is thy keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

so that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

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.

Henry Walford Davies (1869–1941)

All remain seated. His Excellency Lieutenant General The Right Honourable Sir Jerry Mateparae GNZM QSO KSTJ, High Commissioner for New Zealand, reads from the Great Lectern

THE SECOND READING

‘**D**O not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.’ Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’

St John 14: 1–6

All remain seated for

THE ADDRESS

by

the Dean

The choir sings

THE ANTHEM

RISE, heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise
without delays,
who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise
with him may’st rise:
that, as his death calcined thee to dust,
his life may make thee gold, and much more, just.

Awake, my lute, and struggle for thy part
with all thy art.
The cross taught all wood to resound his name
who bore the same.
His stretched sinews taught all strings, what key
is best to celebrate this most high day.

Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song
pleasant and long:
or since all music is but three parts vied,
and multiplied;
O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part,
and make up our defects with his sweet art.

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)
from Five Mystical Songs

Easter in The Temple
George Herbert (1593–1633)

During the anthem, Grace Hogan and Josie Alexander, young citizens of Australia and of New Zealand, present wreaths to their High Commissioners.

All stand for

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

The Last Post is sounded.

The Reverend Christopher Stoltz, Minor Canon and Precentor, says:

AS we hear the words inscribed on the memorial at ANZAC Cove in the Dardanelles, let us recall with gratitude all who fought and lost their lives at Gallipoli.

His Excellency Abdurrahman Bilgiç, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Turkey, says:

THOSE heroes that shed their blood
and lost their lives...
you are now lying in the soil of a friendly country.
Therefore rest in peace.
There is no difference between the Johnnies
and the Mehmetts to us where they lie side by side
here in this country of ours...
You, the mothers,
who sent their sons from far away countries
wipe away your tears;
your sons are now lying in our bosom
and are in peace.
After having lost their lives on this land they have
become our sons as well.

Mustafa Kemal Atatürk (1881–1938)

The High Commissioners for Australia and New Zealand lay wreaths at the Grave of the Unknown Warrior.

Silence is kept.

The choir sings:

WHEN you go home, tell them of us and say:
For your tomorrow we gave our today.

*Chris Chivers (b 1967)
Minor Canon of Westminster 2001–05*

*Kohima Epitaph, adapted from Simonides
(556–468 BC)
by John Maxwell Edmonds (1875–1958)*

The Precentor continues:

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.

Laurence Binyon (1869–1943)

All say: **We will remember them.**

Reveille is sounded.

All remain standing to sing

THE HYMN



Ngāti Rānana, London Māori Club:

W HAKAARIA mai tōu rīpeka ki au, tiahō mai ra roto i te pō hei kona au titiro atu ai. Ora, mate, hei au koe noho ai.	<i>Reveal unto me your crucifix, which shines in the darkness; to that place near you I look, in life, in death, with me you stay.</i>
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All sing: O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
how great thou art, how great thou art!*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home—what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim: My God, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul &c.

*How Great Thou Art 117 R & S
Swedish folk melody
arranged by Stuart K Hine (1899–1989)*

*Russian hymn
translated by Stuart K Hine*

The Precentor leads

THE PRAYERS

LET us pray for our nations and their leaders, for the Commonwealth, and for peace and goodwill between all people.

All kneel or sit.

Young citizens of Australia and New Zealand continue the prayers.

Harry Anderson says:

LET us pray for Her Majesty The Queen, for the Governors General of Australia and New Zealand, and for all who govern the nations of the world: that they may pursue justice and peace, and inspire us to live more happily together.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Eloise Andrew says:

LET us pray for the Church throughout the world, and for all people of faith and goodwill: that we may, through our words and actions, be faithful to God's gracious will towards his children.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Patrick Nelson says:

LET us pray for peoples and places torn apart by persecution, war, and famine, and for those who live with the threat of violence and terror: that hatred may be turned to peace.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Eva Crossman says:

LET us pray for men, women, and children who have been driven from their homes and homelands, and for all who seek a better life: that through our kindness and generosity they may be welcomed as Christ.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Matthew Edwards says:

LET us pray for veterans of war, for members of the Armed Forces currently serving around the world, and for all who suffer, in body and in mind, the effects of armed conflict: that new life may spring forth out of the depths of darkness and pain.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Ella Papesch – Tainui, Ngāti Maniapoto, says:

LET us pray with thanksgiving for those who have given their lives for the sake of our freedom, and for those who continue the work of making and keeping peace: that the innocent, the weak, and those easily forgotten may be preserved.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Samuel Mellis says:

LET us pray with gratitude for the bravery and self-sacrifice of our allies in the First World War, in particular for the forces of the British Crown: that we may continue, within the family of nations, to pursue all that makes for peace.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Ethan Lewis – Whakatōhea & Te Whānau-ā-Apanui, Ngāti Porou, says:

LET us pray for ourselves, that today's commemoration may be for us a powerful reminder of the responsibilities we bear as citizens of Australia and New Zealand to our countries and to all people.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

The Reverend Anthony Ball, Canon in Residence, concludes:

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence in the words our risen Saviour has given us:

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.

All stand to sing

THE HYMN

*during which a collection is taken for
The Royal Commonwealth Ex-Services League*



IVOW to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
the love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
the love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
we may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
and soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
and her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

*Thaxted 295 AMNS
Gustav Holst (1874–1934)*

Cecil Spring-Rice (1859–1918)

All remain standing. The Dean pronounces

THE BLESSING

MAY God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

A fanfare is sounded. The flags are returned to their bearers.

All remain standing to sing

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM OF NEW ZEALAND

first in Māori, then in English



EIHOWĀ Atua, O ngā iwi mātou rā
Āta whakarongona; Me aroha noa
Kia hua ko te pai;
Kia tau tō atawhai;
Manaakitia mai Aotearoa.

God of Nations, at thy feet,
in the bonds of love we meet,
hear our voices, we entreat,
God defend our free land.
Guard Pacific's triple star
from the shafts of strife and war,
make her praises heard afar,
God defend New Zealand.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM OF AUSTRALIA



AUSTRALIANS all, let us rejoice for we are young and free,
we've golden soil and wealth for toil, our home is girt by sea;
our land abounds in nature's gifts of beauty rich and rare;
in history's page let every stage advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing: 'Advance Australia Fair!'

*The procession, together with His Royal Highness The Duke of York,
moves to the west end of the Abbey Church.*

Music after the service:

Chorale Fantasia on 'O God, our help' *Hubert Parry (1848–1918)*

The bells of the Abbey Church are rung.

**Members of the Congregation are kindly requested to
remain in their seats until directed to move by the Stewards**