Westminster Abbey

A Service of Commemoration and Thanksgiving to mark the Centenary of the ANZAC Landings

Saturday 25th April 2015
1.00 pm
HISTORICAL NOTE

It is one hundred years since the landings on the Gallipoli Peninsula on 25th April 1915. In the heroic campaign that followed, the casualties on both sides were heavy. Of the Allied Forces—from the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, France, Newfoundland, and India—some 50,000 lost their lives. The total number of casualties on the Allied side at Gallipoli, including those wounded or evacuated for sickness, was some 250,000. The Turkish forces lost over 86,000 and also sustained a high number of 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. 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.

The Australian flag is borne by Warrant Officer II Shaun Jolly.

The New Zealand flag is borne by Warrant Officer Christopher Naylor.

The Turkish flag is borne by Warrant Officer I Halil Yıldız.

The flag of the United Kingdom is borne by Major Thomas Mobbs RM.

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

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 Choir of Westminster Abbey, 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 Welsh Guards, directed by Lieutenant Colonel Kevin Davies, Director of Music, perform by kind permission of Major-General Edward Smyth-Osbourne CBE, Major-General commanding The Household Division.

The Turkish Air Force Band is directed by Colonel Murat Öztürk.

Music before the service:

Jeremy Woodside, Organ Scholar, plays:

Kiwi Fireworks: Variations on ‘God Defend New Zealand’  
Paul Spicer (b 1952)

Fantasy on ‘Vexilla Regis’  
Edgar Bainton (1880–1956)

Prelude and Fugue in G BWV 550  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Chris Williams, didgeridoo, plays traditional indigenous Australian music.
His Excellency The Ambassador of Turkey to the Court of St James is received by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster at the Great West Door, 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 by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster at the Great West Door. All remain seated.

The Prime Minister is received by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster at the Great West Door, and is conducted to his place in Quire. All remain seated.

The Lord Mayor of Westminster is received by the Dean and Chapter of Westminster at the Great West Door, and is conducted to her place in Quire. All stand, and then sit.

A fanfare is sounded. All stand.

Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh are received at the West Gate. Presentations are made.
ORDER OF SERVICE

All remain standing as the Collegiate Procession, together with Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh, moves to places in Quire and the Sacrament.

All remain standing for

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

**G**od 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.

from Thesaurus Musicus c 1743 anonymous and arranged by Gordon Jacob (1895–1984) William Edward Hickson (1803–70)

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

THE BIDDING

The landing of allied forces at Gallipoli exactly one hundred years ago today led to one of the bloodiest battles of the First World War. Alongside forces from Britain and her allies, troops from Australia and New Zealand fought together as the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps: ANZAC. We honour today the courage of the men at Gallipoli.

The memory of the Great War provides for us warning and encouragement. We are warned that war must involve terrible suffering and death. We are encouraged by the spirit of national pride and determination shown by those 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 cause of justice and of peace throughout the world.

As we come into the presence of God for this solemn remembrance, let us keep silence.

**Silence is kept.**

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

Psalm 89: 14
All sing

THE HYMN

during which the flags of Australia, New Zealand, Turkey, and the United Kingdom are carried through the church and placed in the Sacrament

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—you 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

John Stanhope Arkwright (1872–1954)

Charles Harris (1865–1936)
THERE will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former
time the Lord 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 onwards and for
evermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

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)
2 CORINTHIANS 4: 7–16

We have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus’ sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—‘I believed, and so I spoke’—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day.

THE ADDRESS

by

The Dean

All remain seated. The Choir sings

THE ANTHEM

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people: and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away

Edgar Bainton

Revelation 21: 1–4
Following the Anthem, all stand for

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

The Last Post is sounded.

The Reverend Christopher Stoltz, Minor Canon and Sacrist, 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 of Turkey to the Court of St James, 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 Mehmets 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)
1934

Silence is kept.

Reveille is sounded.
All remain standing to sing

THE HYMN

All 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!
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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!

Ngāti Rānana, London Māori Club:

WHAKAARIA mai tōu rīpeka ki au, tiaho mai ra roto i te pō hei kona au titiro atu ai. Ora, mate, hei au koe noho ai.

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.

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 Sacrist introduces

THE PRAYERS

For our nations, for our leaders, for all who work for peace, for those who serve in the Armed Forces, for the Church, The Queen, the Commonwealth, and for all mankind: let us pray to the Lord.

All kneel or sit.

Young citizens of Australia and of New Zealand continue the prayers.

Liam Andrew says:

Let us pray for our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth, Head of the Commonwealth, for the Governors-General of Australia and New Zealand, and all set in authority under them: that they may seek to keep our nations secure and free, and inspire us to strive for the harmony and peace of all peoples.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Harrison Donnelly says:

Let us pray for the Church of God throughout the world, and for all people of faith and goodwill: that, by prayer for the world and her leaders, the love of God may be seen and known in the lives of all who call upon his name.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Ella Jenkins says:

Let us pray for those parts of the world where there is conflict and civil strife; for the war-torn and the disfigured; for all who seek to impose their will on others by force of arms and acts of terror: that the desire for peace may prevail over the causes of human division and enmity.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.
Caitlin Guthrie says:

LET us pray for war veterans and returned service personnel, for all who carry within them the memories and scars of human conflict; for those who mourn fallen colleagues and friends: that out of suffering and pain Christ may bind up their wounds and use their sorrows in the service of his love.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Ronan Scott says:

GIVING thanks for those who have laid down their lives for us in the cause of freedom, let us pray for those who are working for peace and justice among the troubled and broken societies of the world: that the nations from which we come may continue to protect the innocent, to shelter the weak, and to confront all forms of injustice and oppression.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Timothy Steel says:

WE give thanks for the bravery and self-sacrifice of all our allies in the First World War, and in particular for the forces of the British Crown. We pray that, inspired by their courage and example, we may continue to work with all the countries of the United Nations for reconciliation, and for the peace and stability of the world.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The Right Reverend Te Kitohi Pikaahu, Bishop of Te Tai Tokerau, says:

LET us pray for ourselves and for one another, that this centenary of the Gallipoli campaign may be for us an everlasting memorial of the coming of age of our nations, and a perpetual reminder of the responsibilities we bear as citizens of Australia and of New Zealand to our countries and to the Commonwealth.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.
Mahmut Özdemir, Presidency of Religious Affairs of the Republic of Turkey, says:

BISMILLAHIRRAHMANIRRAHIM,


Allah’ım, bize öylesine hakiki barış ve huzuru lütfet birbirimizi aynı ailenin eşit fertleri olarak görelim, aleyhimizde dahi olsa adaleti ayakta tutalım, yoksul hakkaniyetle yargılanın ve yeryüzünde ezilenler hakkında adilce karar verilsin. Çünkü inanıyoruz ki Sen Barışsin, barış ve esenlik veren Sensin.

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful,

Praise be to the Lord of the universe who has created us and formed us into tribes and nations so that we may know each other, and not so that we may despise each other. Peace be upon all auspicious prophets of God, from Adam, Noah and Abraham to Moses, Jesus and Mohammed Mustafa, who pulled humanity out of darkness into the light and became guides to peace.

O God, grant us such true peace that each one of us will see others as equal members of the same family; that we persistently stand firm in justice even if it be against our favour; that the needy be judged with righteousness; and that decisions be made with justice in favour of the poor of this earth; for we have faith that you are Peace and from you comes Peace.

The Reverend David Stanton, Canon in Residence, concludes:

Rejoicing in God’s new creation, let us pray with confidence in the words our risen Saviour Christ has taught 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 Combat Stress

I VOW 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
Cecil Spring-Rice (1859–1918)
Gustav Holst (1874–1934)

All remain standing. The Dean pronounces

THE BLESSING

G OD grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, The Queen, the Commonwealth, and all mankind, peace and concord; and to us sinners, 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.

A fanfare is sounded. The flags are returned to their bearers.
All remain standing. The Turkish Air Force Band plays

İSTIKLÂL MARŞI

All sing

GOD DEFEND NEW ZEALAND

first in Māori, then in English.

Ihowā 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.
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 Collegiate Procession, together with Her Majesty The Queen and
His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh, returns to the west end of the
church.

Music after the service:

Allegro non troppo ma con fuoco Charles Villiers Stanford
from Sonata No 3 in D minor Op 152 (1852–1924)

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.
COMBAT STRESS

Combat Stress is the UK’s leading military veterans’ mental health charity. Its mission is to provide timely, effective clinical treatment and welfare support to veterans suffering from psychological wounds, including post-traumatic stress disorder. Combat Stress supports nearly 6,000 veterans from 18 to 97 years of age, among them those who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan. This support is delivered throughout England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland through three treatment centres (Hollybush House, Ayshire; Audley Court, Shropshire; and Tyrwhitt House, Surrey) and numerous community outreach teams.