

*A Service of Thanksgiving*

*In observance of the cessation of hostilities  
in the European theatre of war*



GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CHESLEY



Arranged by  
The Chesley Town Council,  
the Ministers of the Town,  
and the Canadian Legion.



## Order of Service



### OPENING HYMN

"All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice,  
Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell:  
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

"Know that the Lord is God indeed;  
Without our aid He did us make;  
We are His folk, He doth us feed,  
And for His sheep He doth us take.

"O enter then His gates with praise,  
Approach with joy His courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.

"For why the Lord our God is good:  
His mercy is forever sure;  
His truth at all times firmly stood,  
And shall from age to age endure."

CALL TO WORSHIP - - Mayor W. P. Krug

"Oh give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His  
mercy endureth for ever."

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING - Rev. H. W. Baetz

To be said in unison:

"Almighty and everlasting God who makest wars to cease  
unto the ends of the earth, we praise and magnify Thy great  
mercy, which has brought us to this hour. We bless Thy Holy  
Name that earth, sea, and sky are safe again (in Europe); that  
the guns are silent; and that Thou hast brought us to this day  
of peace. May we dedicate all victory to Thy glory. Through  
Jesus Christ our Lord." Amen.



PSALM 46 - - - *Rev. H. D. McCulloch*

To be said in unison.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God shall help her and that right early.

The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

Come, behold the works of the Lord, what desolations he hath made in the earth.

He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen. I will be exalted in the earth.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

SCRIPTURE READING - *Rev. H. D. McCulloch*

Micah, Chapter 4, verses 1 to 4;  
St. Matthew, Chapter 5, verses 1 to 12;  
Isaiah, Chapter 40, verses 1 to 11;  
Revelation, Chapter 21, verses 1 to 7.

HYMN

"Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
To His feet Thy tribute bring;  
Ransom'd, heal'd, restor'd, forgiven,  
Who like me His praise should sing?  
Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him,  
Praise the everlasting King.

"Praise Him for His grace and favour  
To our fathers in distress;  
Praise Him, still the same forever,  
Slow to chide and swift to bless:  
Praise Him, praise Him . . .  
Glorious in His faithfulness.

"Father-like He tends and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame He knows;  
In His hands He gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes:  
Praise Him, praise Him . . .  
Widely as His mercy flows.

"Trail as summer's flower we flourish;  
Blows the wind and it is gone;  
But while mortals rise and perish,  
God endures unchanging on:  
Praise Him, praise Him . . .  
Praise the high eternal One.

"Angels, help us to adore Him;  
Ye behold Him face to face;  
Sun and moon bow down before Him  
Dwellers all in time and space:  
Praise Him, praise Him . . .  
Praise with us the God of grace."

APOSTLE'S CREED - *Rev. Dr. A. R. Gibson*

To be said in unison:

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

*Rev. Wm. Matheson*



A LITANY OF INTERCESSION - *Rev. C. J. Beckley*

LEADER: "Almighty God, who has taught us to make supplications, prayers, and intercessions for all men, we pray this day for all those who are hungry and without bread; for those made homeless by war's desolation; for separated families; for all the bereaved; for orphaned children and for all who have suffered in any way under the scourge of war;"

CONGREGATION: "We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord."

LEADER: "For the men and women of our armed forces at home and throughout the world; for the sick and wounded in the hospitals; for doctors, nurses and all who minister to the sick and suffering; and for those who are prisoners of war;"

CONGREGATION: "We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord."

LEADER: "For our beloved nation and those whom we have placed in authority; for our homes that they may be Christian; for our schools and the teachers of our children; and for all institutions and organizations that serve our country's welfare;"

CONGREGATION: "We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord."

LEADER: "For the church of Jesus Christ our Lord throughout the world; for ministers who serve in His name; for missionaries at home and abroad; for chaplains in the armed forces; for those who have suffered for their Christian faith;"

CONGREGATION: "We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord."

LEADER: "For the uprooting of all causes of war; for the ending of prejudices of race and nation; for the confounding of those who delight in war and the strengthening of all peace makers;"

CONGREGATION: "Hear us and use us, good Lord."

LEADER: "For the triumph of justice in every human relationship; for the liberation of the oppressed and for the lasting freedom of all Thy children;"

CONGREGATION: "Hear us and use us, good Lord."

LEADER: "For the coming of that day when all men shall know the Lord and the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of Jesus Christ; for the coming of the time when nation shall not lift up sword against nation nor learn war any more;"

CONGREGATION: "Hear us and use us, good Lord."

LEADER: "O merciful Father, we beseech Thee to send forth Thy Spirit into Thy world that all leaders of men everywhere, the rulers and spokesmen of the nations, may be instructed in the ways of peace, kept free from pride and evil ambitions, and so guided in all their doings that they may make Thy ways known upon the earth, Thy saving health among all nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord." Amen.

PRAYERS - - - - *Rev. A. E. Pletch*

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

ADDRESS - - - - *Rev. Edgar Ferns*

A PERIOD OF SILENCE IN MEMORY  
OF THOSE WHO HAVE FALLEN

THE LAST POST

HYMN

"O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home!

"Beneath the shadow of Thy throne  
Thy saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.

"Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting Thou art God,  
To endless years the same.

"A thousand ages in Thy sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

"O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope in years to come;  
Be thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home!"

*Gordon Russell*

*Kenech  
Muelard*



PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND DEDICATION

Miss A. Cunningham

BENEDICTION

Rev. John MacKinnon

"The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and abide with you forever." Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Now thank we all our God,  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms  
Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love,  
And still is ours today.

"O may this bounteous God  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us in His grace,  
And guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next.

"All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given,  
The son, and Holy Ghost,  
Supreme in highest heaven,  
The One eternal God,  
Whom earth and heaven adore,  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore." Amen.

may I direct your attention to  
the proclamation of His Majesty's Govt

- ① That tomorrow May 8 be a public Holiday
- ② " Sunday 11 B be observed  
as a day of Thanksgiving