

# VICTORY DAY SERVICE

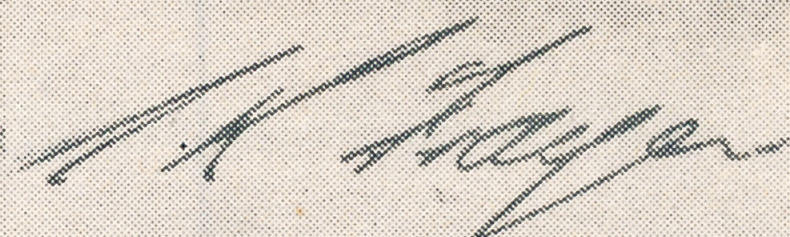


## *Our Captain's Message*

This is a solemn day. Although it will be natural for all to celebrate our Victory, I cannot stress too strongly the solemnity of the occasion.

With the announcement of Armistice with Germany, the Allied Nations, of which Canada is a strong and determined force, move into the final phase of World War II.

Let us not forget those in the Royal Canadian Navy who have paid the supreme sacrifice: therefore let us celebrate in a way that will bring credit to the Naval Uniform.



CAPTAIN, RCNVR  
COMMANDING OFFICER  
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## CALL TO THANKSGIVING

CHAPLAIN: "We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.

PEOPLE: "How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand; how thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.

CHAPLAIN: "For they got not the land in their possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them; but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them.

PEOPLE: "Thou are my King, O God.

CHAPLAIN: "Through thee will we push down our enemies, through thy name we will tread them under that rise up against us.

PEOPLE: "For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.

CHAPLAIN: "But thou has saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.

PEOPLE: "In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name forever.

CHAPLAIN: "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it

& PEOPLE: was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!

## "O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST"

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

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away;  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home. Amen.

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.

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

"O ALMIGHTY GOD, the sovereign Commander of all the world, in whose hand is power and might which none is able to withstand: We bless and magnify thy great and glorious Name for this happy Victory over Germany and her satellite States, the whole glory whereof we do ascribe to thee, who are the only giver of Victory. And, we beseech thee, give us grace to improve this great mercy to thy glory, the advancement of the Gospel, the honour of our Sovereign, and, as much as in us lieth, to the good of all Mankind. And, we beseech thee, give unto us such a sense of this great mercy, as may engage us to true thankfulness, such as may appear in our lives by a humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Spirit, as for all thy mercies, so in particular for this Victory and Deliverance, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

THEN SHALL ALL THE OFFICERS AND MEN REPEAT THE "LORD'S PRAYER".

THE HOLY SCRIPTURE WILL BE READ BY THE COMMANDING OFFICER - (JOSHUA, Chapter 23, Verses 1-11)

## "O CANADA"

O Canada, our home and native land  
True patriot-love in all thy sons command,  
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,  
The True North strong and free,  
And stand on guard, O Canada,  
We stand on guard for thee.

O Canada, glorious and free,  
We stand on guard, we stand on guard for thee.

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

O Canada! where pines and maples grow,  
Great prairies spread and lordly rivers flow,  
How dear to us thy broad domain,  
From East to Western Sea  
Thou land of hope for all who toil!  
Thou True North, strong and free.

O Canada, glorious and free.

Ruler supreme, who hearest humble prayer,  
Hold our Dominion in thy loving care.  
Help us to find, O God, in thee  
A lasting, rich reward.  
As, waiting for the Better Day,  
We ever stand on guard.

O Canada, glorious and free. Amen.

THEN SHALL THE SENIOR CHAPLAIN SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE SHIP'S COMPANY



# PRAYERS OF REMEMBRANCE

O Eternal Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens and rulest the raging of the sea; who hast compassed the waters with bounds until day and night come to an end; Be pleased to receive into thy almighty and most gracious protection the persons of us thy servants, and the Fleet in which we serve. Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, and from the violence of the enemy; that we may be a safeguard unto our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King George, and his Dominions, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of our Empire may in peace and quietness serve thee, our God; and that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the land, with the fruits of our labours, and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies to praise and glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Remember, O Lord, for good all those, the brave and the true, who have died the death of honour, and are departed hence in the hope of resurrection to eternal life. Regard their loyalty and devotion: forgive their frailties and sins: give them rest and peace: and grant that by the sacrifice of their earthly lives they may be brought nigh unto the sacrifice of thy blessed Son; and that, mindful of their sufferings, the peoples of the world may forsake violence and injustice and live together in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THEN SHALL THE "LAST POST" BE SOUNDED AND SILENCE KEPT FOR A SPACE.

## "THE NATIONAL ANTHEM"

God save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King:  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us:  
God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store  
On him be pleased to pour;  
Long may he reign:  
May he defend our laws,  
And ever give us cause  
To sing with heart and voice,  
God save the King.

Our loved Dominion bless  
With peace and happiness  
From shore to shore;  
And let our Empire be  
United, loyal, free,  
True to herself and Thee  
For evermore. Amen.