



While we may be enjoying the first colours of autumn, entering another lockdown and the news of religious attacks in Europe along with uncertainty in the USA may leave us uneasy. Today Donald Campbell is taking us through John 6, where Jesus approaches the disciple's boat with the reassurance that they should not fear.

Let's start Remembrance Sunday with praise *Psalm 117*

"Praise God, everybody!

Applaud God, all people!

His love has taken over our lives;

God's faithful ways are eternal.

Hallelujah!"

Song

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,
For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.

Stuart Townend

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Song

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,
Who bids the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Saviour, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walked upon the foaming deep,
And calm amid the rage did sleep;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Holy Spirit, who did brood
Upon the waters dark and rude,
And bid their angry tumult cease,
And give for wild confusion peace;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and pow'r,
Your children shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire, and foe,
Protect them where-so-e'er they go;
Thus, evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

William Whiting

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Remembrance

✦ Today we pause to remember military and civilian servicemen and women, those who have lost their life in World Wars and later conflicts around the world.

✦ On 3 August 1914 Sir Edward Grey made his famous quote: 'The lamps are going out all over Europe, we shall not see them lit again in our lifetime'. Since then the UK has been involved in 44 recognised wars and conflicts

✦ First held on 11 November 1919, King George V asked the public to observe a silence at 11am, one year after the end of World War One so "the thoughts of everyone may be concentrated on reverent remembrance of the glorious dead".

✦ Many today will hear these words: "When you go home, tell them of us and say - For your tomorrow, we gave our today".

Prayers

We are in the presence of God.

We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations, that all people may, together, live in freedom, justice and peace.

We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror.

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

Ever-living God

we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Most gracious God

Make your ways known upon earth and your saving power among all peoples.

Renew your church in holiness and help us to serve you with joy.

Guide the leaders of all nations, that justice may prevail throughout the world.

Let not the needy be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor taken away.

Make us instruments of your peace and let your glory be all over the earth.

Amen

Read John 6:16-21

Teaching

- Where is fear wise and where unhelpful in our lives?
- How can we be willing to let Jesus into our fears?
- What words of comfort do we need to hear?

