

Poems

They shall not grow old

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.

by Lawrence Binyon

Repatriated

Not the homecoming he'd planned,
Not the welcome he'd expected,
But they were all there to greet him,
Carrying fresh flowers and single roses
Clutched tightly in their hands.
Eyes fixed firmly on the draped casket,
Throats raw with the strain of silence,
Heads held high until he'd passed,
Willing him to tap them on their shoulders
And smile, denying it was him
They'd come to honour.

'by a member of our congregation'.

Remembrance Sunday



10th November. Pentecost 25.

Eternal God, you give us love, you give us life, you give us yourself; help us to give our love, our lives, ourselves to you, that we may dwell in you and you in us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer Points

Please pray for:

1. The relatives of British service personnel killed in action in recent years and for those injured survivors.
2. Steve Dallard and Frank Dirr, both servicemen with families in our congregation.
3. John, Laura and James Tickell, Anne Tree and Paul, Ina, Abi and Hannah Watson.
4. Valerie Holehouse in her recovery from a serious operation and for Steve, Alex and Rob.
5. For Julie Roadnight in her illness.
6. For Messy church on the 17th, that new families will return.

Jim (Duthie) Simpson passed away peacefully on Thursday afternoon. Please pray for Kathleen and Duthies family at this time of loss.

Aberdeen City Beach Clean, North Side of Don River

November 23rd 10.00–12.00 noon.

Please contact Ian or Julia House if you can take part or for more details.

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The Resurrection and Marriage

²⁷ Some of the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus with a question.

²⁸ “Teacher,” they said, “Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and have children for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers. The first one married a woman and died childless. ³⁰ The second ³¹ and then the third married her, and in the same way the seven died, leaving no children. ³² Finally, the woman died too. ³³ Now then, at the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?”

³⁴ Jesus replied, “The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. ³⁵ But those who are considered worthy of taking part in the age and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, ³⁶ and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God’s children, since they are children of the resurrection. ³⁷ But in the account of the bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord ‘the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ ³⁸ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.”

The Man of Lawlessness

2 Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers, ² not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by some prophecy, report or letter supposed to have come from us, saying that the day of the Lord has already come. ³ Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. ⁴ He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

⁵ Don’t you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things?

¹³ But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers loved by the Lord, because from the beginning God chose you to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵ So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter.

¹⁶ May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, ¹⁷ encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.