

## KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION

# 2:00pm, Sunday 7 November 2021

# in the nave of St George's Cathedral 38 St Georges Terrace, Perth

83<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the 'Night of Broken Glass' 9 November 1938



when Nazis stormed through Germany, Austria, and Sudetenland, smashing the windows of Jewish businesses, burning synagogues and killing Jews — foreshadowing the mass extermination of the Shoah/Holocaust.

## **ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

- Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy AO, Hon. President of CCJWA Inc. (MC), invites the Dean, The Very Reverend Chris Chataway, to give a Welcome to all present
- The Prayer for Our Country is said by Ms Hilary Silbert, of Temple David Congregation

O GUARDIAN of life and liberty,

may our nation always merit Your protection.

Help us remember those who have lived in this land before us, and those who have made it their home in more recent times.

Teach us to give thanks for what we have

by sharing it with those who are in need.

Keep our eyes open to the wonders of creation,

and alert to the care of the earth.

May we never be lazy in the work of peace;

may we honour those who have died in defence of our ideals.

Grant our leaders wisdom and forbearance.

May they govern with justice and compassion.

Help us to appreciate one another,

and to respect the many ways that we may serve You.

May our homes be safe from affliction and strife,

and our country be sound in body and spirit. Amen.

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An excerpt from Ernest Bloch, *Prayer* (*From Jewish Life* No. 1), is played by 'cellist Jeremy Garside and accompanist David Hicks

## MC: Call to Worship

We gather this day as children of Abraham and Sarah. We gather as Christians and Jews to remember a night in 1938 when hope was shattered like the glass which covered the streets of Germany.

We gather to remember and to mourn the hate that was unleashed on the people of God.

We gather to conciliate and to seek healing; we gather in longing for God's presence; we gather, seeking compassion and courage, so that justice might roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

## Prayer

O God, who promised to be our refuge and our strength, give us strength this day. Even though the earth be moved, may we not be afraid.

O God of Jacob and Rachel, you who are called our stronghold, give us grace to see your face as waters rage and foam around us. Help us in this hour to be still and know that you are our God and we are your beloved people.

- > Poems are introduced and read by Year 10 students of St George's AGS:
  - Homesick (anon. 9 March 1943) is read by Katherine Mullaney
  - Fear by Eva Picková, aged 12, is read by Claire Beltz
  - Passover Night 1942 by Yala Korwin, is read by Saira Afridi

MC introduces the Guest Speaker, Dr Bill Leadbetter, BA (Hons), Ph.D (Macq), Grad Cert Ed (Edith Cowan), MACE GAICD and invites him to come forward.

Occasional Address:

Christians and Kristallnacht: The brave sermon of Helmut Gollwitzer

## **Lighting of Memorial Candles**

Dr Judith Schneider, Vice-Chairperson, CCJWA, gives a brief account of the millions of Jews and others, from many different backgrounds, who were victims of the Shoah, before saying:

'We kindle this light in memory of these victims of the Shoah.'

> The first Memorial Candle is lit ...

'May they rest in peace, and let us say':

Amen.

Reverend Marie Wilson, Chairperson, CCJWA, offers historical background concerning The Righteous Among the Nations, before saying: 'We kindle this light in memory of the Righteous among the Nations.'

> The second Memorial Candle is lit ...

'May they rest in peace, and let us say':

Amen.

➤ Musical interlude: 'cellist Ethan Clayson, and accompanist Mr Ryan McBride, both of St George's AGS, play an excerpt from Arvo Pärt, Spiegel im Spiegel ('Reflection in Reflection').

MC: Let us now remember as we are able, in silence ...

TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE

> The sound is heard of shattering glass.

MC: Let us say together ...

O Eternal One, we remember;
we remember the Night of Broken Glass;
we remember the burning of the synagogues;
we remember the looting of the schools;
we remember the destruction of orphanages;
we remember the arrests, the deportations, the deaths.

Brief period of silence

#### **ALL STAND**

MC: Let us offer to each other a sign of reconciliation. Turn to those around you, and wish one another 'Shalom' — 'Peace'.

## **REMAIN STANDING**

MC: Let us bring forward a candle as a symbol of hope and liberation that human beings will learn to live together in harmony that light will overcome the darkness of war and hatred.

And the goal will be that NEVER AGAIN will there be a Shoah!

➤ The Candle of Hope is brought forward by Olivia Tate of Temple David Congregation, and Jordan Little of St George's AGS, symbolically carrying it together. They place it on the table in front of the Memorial Candles and together light the Candle of Hope.

MC: LET THE LIGHT OF PEACE SHINE IN OUR WORLD.

ALL: LET THE LIGHT OF PEACE SHINE IN OUR WORLD.

## **ALL SIT**

- ➤ St George's Anglican Grammar School Vocal Ensemble, conducted by Mr Michael Newton and accompanied by Mr Ryan McBride, sings Z. Randall Stroope, 'Inscription of Hope'
- ➤ The Exhortation is given by Fr Michael Moore SM, Rector, Redemptoris Mater Seminary; Committee member, CCJWA:

Go out into the world in peace.

Pay attention!

Have courage!

Hold on fiercely to what is good.

When you confront evil, don't turn your eyes away

but don't get pulled into it either.

Do not abandon those who are suffering — be with them ... help them ... honour them and God's justice will roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

#### **ALL STAND**

➤ Kaddish is led by Mr Trevor Creewel of Temple David Congregation; Committee member, CCJWA:

Yitgadal v'yitkadash sh'mei raba. B'alma di v'ra chirutei, v'yamlich malchutei, b'chayeichon uv'yomeichon uv'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael, baagala uviz'man kariv. V'im'ru: **Amen**.

Exalted and hallowed be God's great name in the world which God created, according to plan. May God's majesty be revealed in the days of our lifetime and the life of all Israel – speedily, imminently, to which we say **Amen.** 

Y'hei sh'mei raba m'varach l'alam ul'almei almaya.

Blessed be God's great name to all eternity.

Yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpaar v'yitromam v'yitnasei, v'yit'hadar v'yitaleh v'yit'halal sh'mei d'Kud'sha **B'rich hu**, l'eila min kol birchata v'shirata, tushb'chata v'nechemata, daamiran b'alma.

V'imru: **Amen**.

Blessed, praised, honoured, exalted, extolled, glorified, adored, and lauded be the name of the Holy Blessed One, beyond all earthly words and songs of blessing, praise, and comfort. To which we say **Amen**.

Y'hei sh'lama raba min sh'maya, v'chayim aleinu v'al kol Yisrael.

V'imru: **Amen**.

May there be abundant peace from heaven, and life, for us and all Israel, to which we say **Amen**.

Oseh shalom bimromav, Hu yaaseh shalom aleinu, v'al kol Yisrael. V'imru: **Amen**.

May the One who creates harmony on high, bring peace to us and to all Israel. To which we say **Amen**.

### **ALL SIT**

MC: Expression of thanks.

➤ 'Oseh Shalom', melody by Nurit Hirsch; arr. Elaine Broad-Ginsberg, is sung by the Prendiville Catholic College Alumni Choir, accompanied and directed by David Hicks; then sung in unison with the congregation invited to join in.

May the One who creates harmony on high, bring peace to us and to all Israel.

עושה שלום במרומיו הוא יעשה שלום עלינו ועל כל ישראל ואמרו אמן

To which we say Amen.



➤ MC stands and proceeds from the Cathedral, indicating the conclusion of the formal proceedings.

Shema Yisrael Hear, O Israel Shema Yisrael Hear, O Israel

Adonai Elokeinu The LORD is our God

Adonai Echad The LORD is one.

Kiko Argüello, 'Shema Israel', from Suffering of the Innocents

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