



**Council of Christians and Jews
Western Australia Inc.**

KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION

2:30pm, Sunday 12 November 2023

**Sylvia & Harry Hoffman Hall
Carmel Primary School
Woodrow Avenue, Yokine**

**85th 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

- Reverend Marie Wilson, Chairperson of CCJWA Inc. (MC), announces the arrival of the official party (H.E. the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM, Governor of Western Australia, and Mrs Darrilyn Dawson, with Aide, accompanied by Mr David Denver), and asks **ALL TO STAND**.
All remain standing until members of the official party are seated.
- MC invites Dr Julie Harris, Principal, Carmel School, to give a Welcome to all present.
- *The Prayer for Our Country* is led by His Excellency the Governor.

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.**

Mishkan T'filah: A Progressive Siddur, p. 516

- An excerpt from Ernest Bloch, *Prayer (From Jewish Life No. 1)*, is played by 'cellist Joshua Kane, of Prendiville Catholic College and accompanist Mr 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.

- Carmel students share their personal responses to learning about the Holocaust:

- Carmel Choir, accompanied by Michele Galanti, sings *Vehi She'amda*
Words are from the Pesach Haggada; music is by Yaakov Shwekey.
This short passage from the Haggadah has given hope to Jews over the centuries, particularly in times of oppression.

VEHI SHE'AMDA

Vehi she'amda la'avoteinu

Vehi she'amda la'avoteinu velanu

Shelo echad bilvad amad aleinu

lechaloteinu

Amad aleinu lechaloteinu.

והיא שעמדה לאבותינו,

והיא שעמדה לאבותינו ולנו,

שלא אחד בלבד עמד עלינו

לכלותנו,

עמד עלינו לכלותנו.

Vehakadosh Baruch Hu maztileinu
Matzileinu miyadam
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Matzileinu miyadam.

והקדוש ברוך הוא מצילנו,
מצילנו, מידם.
והקדוש ברוך הוא מצילנו
מצילנו, מידם.

And it is this [covenant] that has stood for our Forefathers and us
For not just one enemy has stood against us to destroy us
But in every generation there have been those who have stood to destroy us
And the Holy One Blessed Be He, saves us from their hands.

- MC introduces the Guest Speaker, Mrs Judith Arkwright, Honorary Life Member, CCJWA, and invites her to come forward.
- Occasional Address: “Inferno — The Night of Broken Glass”
- Carmel Choir, accompanied by Michele Galanti, sings ‘*Eli, Eli*’, lyrics by Channa Senesh; music by David Zehavi.

ELI ELI: HALICHAH LEKESARIYAH

Eli, Eli
Shelo yigamer le'olam:
Hachol vehayam
Rishrush shel hamayim
Berak hashamayim
Tefilat ha'adam.

אלי, אלי
שלא יגמר לעולם
החול והים,
רשרוש של המים,
ברק השמים,
תפלת האדם

MY G-D, MY G-D: WALK TO CAESARIA

My G-d, My G-d
May these things never end:
The sand and the sea
The rustle of the water
The lightning in the sky
The prayer of Man.

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 ...

MC: ‘May they rest in peace, and let us say’:
Amen.

- Rev Bruce Hyde, Anglican Diocese of Perth, 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 ...

MC: ‘May they rest in peace, and let us say’:
Amen.

- Musical interlude: An excerpt from Maurice Ravel, *Kaddisch* from *Deux Mélodies Hébraïques*, is played by Joshua Kane, of Prendiville Catholic College.

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 Naomi Kawaz of Carmel School, and Madeline Sinfield of JSRACS, symbolically carrying it together. They place it on the table in front of the other two 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

- JSRACS Secondary Choir, directed by Mr Jason Kidd and accompanied by Miss Emma Davis, sings “I Believe” by Mark A. Miller.

- *The Exhortation* is given by Fr Michael Moore, 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 Rabbi Kim Ettlinger, Rabbi, Temple David Congregation; and Honorary President, 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 almay.

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, da'amiran 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; is sung by Carmel Choir and JSRACS Secondary Choir, accompanied by Michele Galanti.

Oseh shalom bimromav,
Hu ya'ase shalom aleinu
Ve'al kol Yisrael ve'imru Amen

עוֹשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרְמֵי
הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ
וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְנֹאמְרוּ אָמֵן

He who makes peace in His high places,
He shall make peace upon us
And upon all of Israel; and let us say Amen.

- MC asks **ALL TO STAND** for the departure of the official party.
- Reprise of 'Oseh Shalom' with congregation invited to join in.
- MC steps away from the lectern at the end of the song, indicating the conclusion of the formal proceedings. The congregation disperses reverently.

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