



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

KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION

2:30pm, Sunday 10 November 2024

**Government House Ballroom
13 St Georges Terrace
Perth**

**86th 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

- MC announces the arrival of the official party: H.E. the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM, Governor of Western Australia, and Patron, CCJWA; Mrs Dawson; and Dr Judith Schneider (Vice-Chair, CCJWA), accompanied by Flight Lieutenant Aaron Game, RAAF (ADC); and asks **ALL TO STAND** until members of the official party are seated.
- As they enter, an excerpt from Ernest Bloch, *Prayer (From Jewish Life No. 1)*, is played by 'cellist Joshua Kane and accompanist David Hicks, both of Prendiville Catholic College.
- MC: Welcome Speech
- *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

- MC: Introduction:
We begin — with silence.
The silence of death:
the silence after destruction;

there are times when songs falter,
when darkness fills life,
when martyrdom becomes a constellation of faith
against the unrelieved black of space about us.
There are no words to reach beyond the edge of night,
no messenger to tell the full tale.
There is only silence.
The silence of Job.
The silence of the Six Million.
The silence of memory.
Let us remember as we link our silences.

➤ *Memorial Lights*

The First Candle

- The introduction is read by Dr Judith Schneider:

We kindle this light in memory of the six million Jews
murdered in the Shoah by the Nazis and their collaborators,
and to acknowledge the countless other victims of genocide
who were murdered simply for who they were or what they believed —
Gypsies (Sinti and Roma); Poles; Soviet military prisoners of war;
the mentally or physically disabled; homosexuals; Jehovah's Witnesses;
Communists; and others.

May the memory of the righteous be for a blessing.

Zichronam livracha.

- The first candle is lit by Rabbi Daniel Lieberman, Hon. President, CCJWA

➤ *Do not forget*

Dr Judith Schneider reads "To the Last Survivor", by Daniel Farhi.

The Second Candle

- The introduction is read by Fr Michael Moore SM, Committee member, CCJWA:

We kindle this light in memory of the Righteous Among the Nations —
the non-Jews who with extraordinary courage
risked their lives to save Jews during the Shoah
at a time when hostility and indifference prevailed.

May the memory of the righteous be for a blessing.

- The second candle is lit by The Rev Dr Ian Tozer, Hon. President, CCJWA.
- *Do not forget*
A reflection on the Righteous Gentiles is spoken by Fr Michael Moore SM
[adapted from a prayer by Dr Rani Jaeger]
- *Testimony*
An Excerpt from Leo Baeck's Writings is read by John Septimus Roe Anglican Community School (JSRACS) student Kira Morgan.
- Carmel Choir sings *Kol ha'olam kulo* ('The whole world is a very narrow bridge') accompanied by Michele Galanti.

Kol ha'olam kulo
gesher tzar me'od
Veha'ikar, veha'ikar
lo lefached klal

כל העולם כולו
גשר צר מאוד
והעיקר והעיקר
לא לפחד כלל

The whole world is a very narrow bridge
And the main thing is to have no fear at all.

- *Survival*
An excerpt from Elie Wiesel, *Night*, is read by JSRACS student Amy Power.
- *Testimonies:*
Carmel students Hannah S., Kovi L., Rachel B., Dan M., and Ariel B. share their personal responses to learning about the Shoah/Holocaust.
- Musical interlude: excerpt from *Kaddisch*, Maurice Ravel, 1914, played by 'cellist Joshua Kane, of Prendiville Catholic College.
- *Yizkor (Memorial Prayer)*
The prayer *El Malei Rachamim* is presented in Hebrew and English by Trevor Creewel.

ALL STAND

אל מלא רחמים, שוכן במרומים. המצא מנוחה נכונה תחת כנפי השכינה
עם קדושים וטהורים כזהר הרקיע מזהירים לנשמות יקירינו שהלכו לעולמם.
בעל הרחמים יסתיבם בְּסֶתֶר כְּנָפָיו לְעוֹלָמִים, וְיִצְרֹר בְּצִרּוֹר הַחַיִּים אֶת נַשְׁמָתָם.
יְיָ הוּא נִחְלָתָם. וְיִנּוּחוּ בְּשָׁלוֹם עַל מְשַׁכְּבָם. וְנֹאמֵר אָמֵן.

O GOD FULL OF COMPASSION, Eternal Spirit of the universe, grant perfect rest under the wings of Your Presence to our loved ones who have entered eternity. Master of Mercy, let them find refuge for ever in the shadow of Your wings, and let their souls be bound up in the bond of eternal life. The Eternal God is their inheritance. May they rest in peace, and let us say: Amen.

ALL SIT

- TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE
- The sound is heard of shattering glass.
- MC: We 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 peace and solidarity.
Turn to those around you, and wish one another **'Shalom' — 'Peace'**.

ALL 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 fervent intent will be that
NEVER AGAIN will there be a Shoah!

- The Candle of Hope is brought forward by Carmel student Aaron Levine and JSRACS student Xavier Bardill, symbolically carrying it together. They place it on the table in front of the other two candles and together, using tapers lit from the memorial candles, light the Candle of Hope.

MC: LET THE LIGHT OF PEACE RADIATE THROUGHOUT OUR WORLD.

ALL: LET THE LIGHT OF PEACE RADIATE THROUGHOUT OUR WORLD.

ALL SIT

- MC introduces the Guest Speaker: Mrs Darrilyn Dawson:
- Address: *Our Children, Their Village, Our Future*
- Song by Carmel Choir: *Lema'an Achai vere'ai* ('For the sake of my brothers and friends')

Lema'an achai vere'ai
adabra na, adabra na
Shalom bach

למען אחי ורעי
אדברה נא אדברה נא
שלום בכ

Lema'an beit Hashem Elokeinu
avaksha tov lach
Hashem oz le'amo yiten
Hashem yevarech et amo bashalom

למען בית ה' אלוקיננו
אבקשה טוב לך
ה' עוז לעמו ייתן
ה' יברך את עמו בשלום

For the sake of my brothers and friends, I shall say: Peace be within you
For the sake of the House of the Lord, our G-d,
The Lord will bless His people with peace.

- Prayer for Peace spoken by the Revd Marie Wilson, Committee member, CCJWA:

O God, Source of Life, Creator of Peace. . .
Help Your children, anguished and confused,
to understand the futility of hatred and violence
and grant them the ability to stretch across
political, religious and national boundaries
so they may confront horror and fear
by continuing together
in the search for justice, peace and truth. . . .
With every fibre of our being
we implore You, O God,
to help us not to fail nor falter. *Amen*

[Rabbi Sheila Weinberg, alt.]

- MC: Expression of thanks.
- *Exhortation* spoken by The Right Reverend Hans Christiansen, Anglican Diocese of Perth:
 - 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

- MC leads the *Kaddish* in Hebrew and English:

יְתַגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא.
בְּעֵלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כְרַעוּתָהּ וְנִמְלִיד מְלַכּוּתָהּ בְּסֵיכּוֹן וּבְיִוְמִיכּוֹן וּבְסֵי יְדָכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּעָגְלָא
וּבְזִמְן קָרִיב, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן:

*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**.*

יְהִי שֵׁמֶה רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ לְעַלְמֵי עַלְמֵיָא :

Blessed be God's great name to all eternity.

יְתַבְרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאֵר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְקַדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא.
לְעֵלְא מִן כָּל בְּרַכְתָּא וְשִׁירְתָּא תְּשַׁבַּחְתָּא וְנִחַמְתָּא דְאַמְיָרֵן בְּעֵלְמָא. וְאַמְרוּ אָמֵן:

*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**.*

יְהִי שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאַמְרוּ אָמֵן:

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

עוֹשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמְרוֹמָיו הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְאַמְרוּ אָמֵן

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

ALL REMAIN STANDING for exit of the official party.

- *Oseh Shalom*, by Nurit Hirsch, is sung by Carmel Choir and the congregation.

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

וְשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמְרוֹמָיו
הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ
וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְאַמְרוּ 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.

- At the end of the song the MC steps down from the stage, indicating the conclusion of the formal proceedings.

The congregation disperses reverently.

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