

GATHERING

God is our refuge and strength;
a very present help in trouble. *(Psalm 46.1)*

We meet 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.

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL

May this memorial be a reminder to all of the sacrifice
made by all those who laid down their lives in service
to their country, and in the cause of justice, peace
and freedom.

May this memorial inspire in all, service above self,
and a commitment to those same ideas of justice,
peace and freedom.

Let us know dedicate this Memorial to the memory
of those who died for their country and whose names
are recorded here.

Additional words may be said.

REMEMBERING *(at 10:58 precisely, is said)*

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.

All: We will remember them.

The two-minute silence

After the silence the following prayer is said:

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.

All: Amen.

A KNIGHTON COLLEAGUE

The story of one of those we commemorate today.

ACT OF HOPE AND COMMITMENT

Let us commit ourselves to responsible
living and faithful service.
Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: We will

An Act of Remembrance

at Knighton Foods
Friday 9th November 2018 at 10.45 am

Led by The Revd Mike Claridge
Minister of The Cotteridge Church, Birmingham
(Methodist, United Reformed and Church of England)



*Including the dedication of a memorial to the men of the
Knighton plant who died in the 1914 - 1918 War.*

Private T HOPKINS - 8th Battalion N Staffs Regiment

Died 18th/19th November 1916. Aged 26

Private William Rupert KITCHEN - North Staffs Regiment

Died 21st March 1918. Aged 35

Private F PRITCHARD - 15th Battalion, Welsh Regiment

Died 11th September 1918. Aged 19

Able Seaman H RICHARDSON - RN Volunteer Reserve

Died 13th November 1916. Aged 22

Private F Stanford - Royal Army Medical Corps

Died 6th November 1917. Aged 25

and

Private S JOHNSON

Died 20th January 1920 of influenza

while suffering from wounds received in the war.

All: We will
Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All: We will
Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All: Amen
Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in
us that have not yet been cast out by love:
May we accept the hope you have placed
in the hearts of all people,
And live lives of justice, courage and mercy;
through Jesus Christ our risen Redeemer.

All: Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come;

thy will be done on earth

as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass

against us.

And lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil

For thine is the kingdom, the power,

and the glory

for ever and ever. Amen

BLESSING