We need not think alike to love alike. FRANCIS DAVID 1510-1579 Cambridge Unitarian Church

A NON-PROPHET ORGANISATION

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# **Remembrance Sunday**

The great mutual blindness darkened that sunlight in the park

Sunday Services 10.30am & 6.30pm Emmanuel Road Cambridge CB1 1JW

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### **Opening music**

J. S. Bach (1685-1750): Jesu, meine Freude (BWV 227)

# A period of quiet reflection

Divinity is present everywhere, the whole world is filled with God. But, in certain places and at certain times, we feel a specialty of presence. May this be such a place, and such a time.

# Lighting of the candle

Reading: Matthew 5:38-45

# The Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn 121 (Purple): O yearning hearts

### Welcome, notices, celebrations, the tradition & collection

NB: Some members donate by way of monthly bank standing order and thus do not contribute to the collection bag.

# Readings and the first part of the address

Hymn 138 (Purple): Red the poppy fields of Flanders

### Prayer and the two minutes silence

Reading: For the Unknown Enemy by William Stafford

### The second part of the address

This and previous addresses can be read at the following link: http://andrewjbrown.blogspot.co.uk

# **Musical offering**

J. S. Bach: *O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß* (BWV 622) John Dillistone (organ)

#### An opportunity for conversation

'Conversation as the natural organ communicating, mind with mind . . . is the method of human culture. By it I come nearer to those whom I shall address than by any other means.' Bronson Alcott (1799-1888)

The brief period of conversation which follows immediately after the address and musical offering is here to allow those present to add short thoughts and additional points to those made by the person who has given the address. The simple purpose is to help enlarge our collective understanding of the complex issues facing us as a contemporary liberal religious community. Contrary viewpoints are genuinely welcome but please try your hardest to avoid engaging in argument at this juncture. There is plenty of opportunity for a more critical, conversational engagement with each other immediately after the service. In doing this we are affirming but one orthodoxy, namely, a love of truth that is a sincere desire to understand how the world is and our place in it.

Hymn 226 (Green): Song of Peace

### **Prayer for Peace**

O Loving God, spirit of hope and peace, Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. Peace, Peace, Peace.

### **Benediction**

# **Concluding music**

J. S. Bach: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland (BWV 659

#### (Please remain quietly seated during the music)

Tea, coffee & further conversation the church hall

This church is the home of a modern, progressive, free-thinking and free-religious community. We seek to offer people committed to the well-being of a secular, scientifically literate and democratic society, ways by which they may continue intelligently to engage with that society's liberal Christian, radical Enlightenment, religious-naturalist and humanist heritage, as well as with other, non-Christian religious and philosophical traditions, which have contributed so much of worth and value to our modern, cosmopolitan culture.

It is founded upon an Open Trust which imposes no doctrinal tests upon its minister or members. We simply meet in the spirit which is exemplified in the life and utterances of Jesus, for the worship of God and the service of humankind. Anyone in sympathy with these aims is welcome to become a formal member of this church.

We are a democratic, financially independent church and rely upon the generosity of our members, friends and visitors for our income. If, in this service, you have found food for thought and the soul please consider contributing to the collection. If you have been attending over a period of a few weeks and feel able to contribute regularly, the easiest and most efficient way of doing this is by monthly standing order. For taxpayers, by gift aiding your contribution, e.g. £25monthly (£6 weekly) becomes £31.25 for church funds.

Everyone is invited to become a "friend" of the church. You'll be added to our email list and receive regular bulletins. If you have been attending over a period of six months or more, why not gain a vote and a stronger voice by becoming a "member"? Please ask a member of the committee.

#### NOTICES

A member of our congregation, Talitha Annan, is taking part in the *Aspire Channel Swimming Challenge* this year. The challenge is to swim the width of the English Channel (22 miles) in the safety and warmth of one's local swimming pool, in 12 weeks. It is all in aid of Aspire, a charity which helps people who are paralysed by spinal cord injuries. If you would like to support Tal by donating to this worthy cause, please visit her *Just Giving* page at

https://bit.ly/2oCQwRP

The next Cambridge Faiths Partnership meeting will focus on

**'Climate Justice'.** Speakers from Greenpeace and Extinction Rebellion. Wednesday 13th November, 5.30-7.30pm at the Beth Shalom Synagogue, Auckland Road, Cambridge CB5 8DW. If you are interested in attending, please speak to Rosemary Watson.