

HYMN

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

Beneath the shadow of Thy Throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles
last,
And our eternal home. Amen.

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God of our fathers, known of old,
Lord of our far-flung battle-line,
Beneath whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine —
Lord God of Hosts be with us yet,
Lest we forget — lest we forget!

The tumult and the shouting dies;
The captains and the kings depart;
Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart.
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget — lest we forget!

Far-called, our navies melt away,
On dune and headland sinks the fire;
Lo, all our pomp of yesterday
Is one with Nineveh and Tyre!
Judge of the Nations, spare us yet,
Lest we forget — lest we forget!

For heathen heart that puts her trust
In reeking tube and iron shard,
All valiant dust that builds on dust,
And guarding, calls not Thee to guard,
For frantic boast and foolish word —
Thy mercy on Thy people, Lord!

Amen.

LET US PRAY FOR THE PEACE MAKERS

Eternal God, wonderful in counsel, excellent in wisdom, we pray for the representatives of the nations who are called to the task of laying the foundations of peace and of settling the affairs of this distracted and embittered world. Inspire their minds, enlarge their vision, direct their councils, that humble and wise, fearless and unfaltering, they may stand for righteousness and truth. We pray also for the peoples in whose name they speak; raise the minds of men everywhere above the mists of suspicion and hatred into the pure light of justice and goodwill, that justice and freedom may be established among all nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACT OF DEDICATION

Chaplain and congregation :

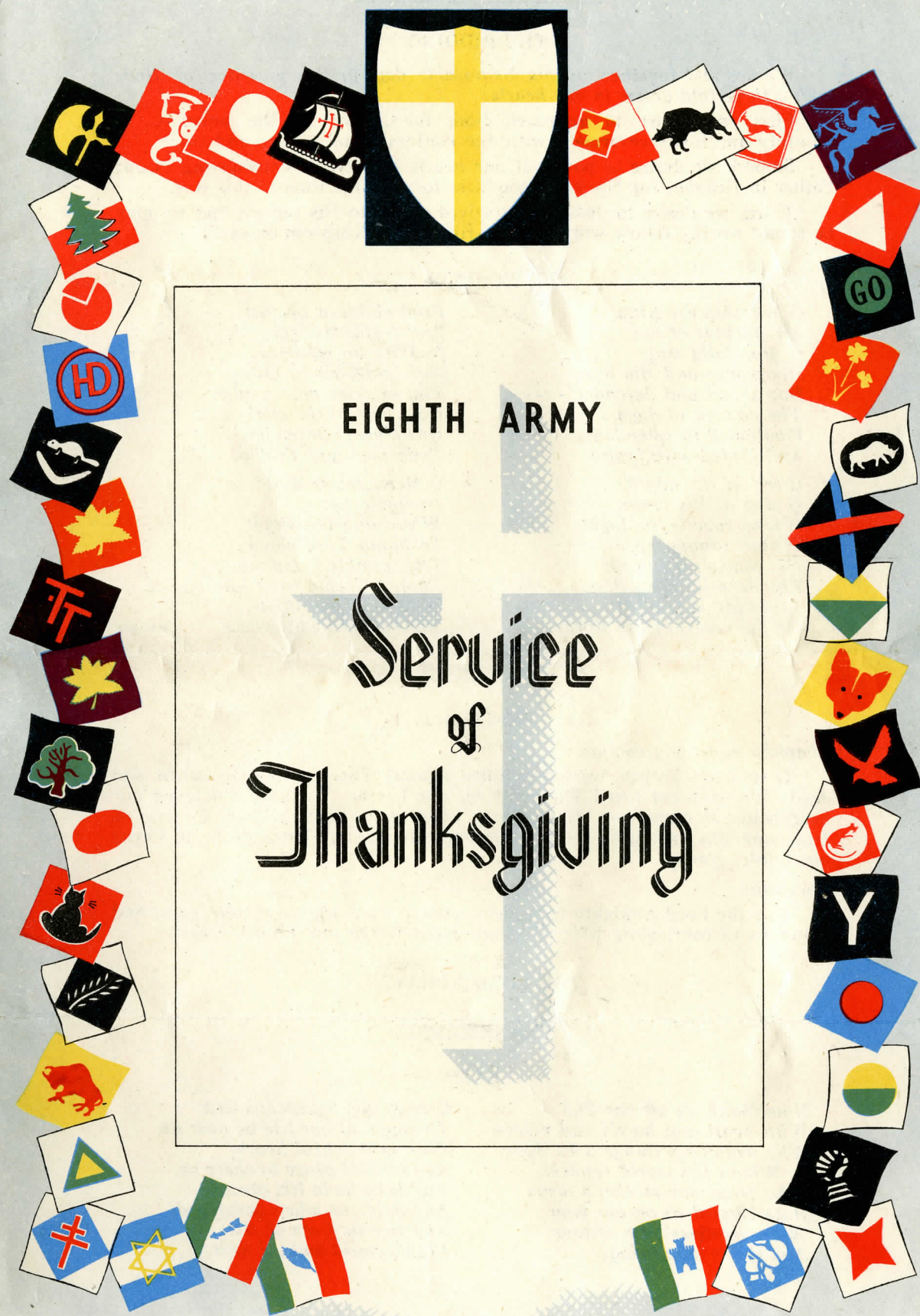
Teach us, good Lord, to serve Thee as Thou deservest;
To give and not to count the cost;
To fight and not to heed the wounds;
To toil and not to seek for rest;
To labour and not to ask for any reward save that of knowing that
we do Thy will;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CHARGE

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that
which is good; render to no man evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted;
support the weak; help the afflicted; honour all men; love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

THE BLESSING

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve
and keep you, now and always. Amen.



THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE BIDDING

We are met together on this memorable day, in the presence of God, with a three-fold desire in our hearts.

First, we desire to approach God, the Creator of the universe, in humility and lowly reverence, with due confession of failure and sin.

Second, we desire to pour out our hearts in fervent thanksgiving to our Father in Heaven, for His great goodness to us in the time of this war.

Third, we desire to dedicate ourselves afresh to His service that we may be found worthy fellow workers with Him in His Kingdom on earth.

WORSHIP

*O Worship the King
All glorious above;
O gratefully sing
His power and His love;
Our shield and defender,
The ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendour,
And girded with praise.*

*O tell of His might,
O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the Light,
Whose canopy space,
His chariots of wrath
The deep thunder clouds form,
And dark is His path
On the wings of the storm.*

*Frail children of dust
And feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust,
Nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender,
How firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender,
Redeemer and Friend.*

*O Measureless Might
Ineffable Love,
While angels delight
To hymn Thee above,
Thy humbler creation,
Though feeble their lays
With true adoration
Shall sing to Thy praise. Amen.*

ALL KNEEL

PENITENCE

Chaplain and Congregation :

O God our Father, we have sinned against Thee in thought, word and deed: We have not loved Thee with all our hearts: We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. Have mercy upon us we beseech Thee: Cleanse us from our sins: and help us to overcome our faults; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Chaplain :

May the Lord Almighty have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THANKSGIVING

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*Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In Whom His world rejoices,
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.*

*O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever-joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us,
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.*

*All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With Them in Highest Heaven,*

*The One Eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.*

THE LESSON

Revelation 21, verses 1-7.

PRAYERS

Let us pray for the King and his Ministers, his People and his Allies.

O MOST MIGHTY and most merciful Father, the sure stronghold of them that trust in Thee. We remember before Thee our Sovereign Lord, King George, his Ministers, his Forces, his People and his Allies. Contending as one for the liberties of all; that in the strong assurance of Thy heavenly help we may continue to serve Thee and restore to all nations the kindly blessings of peace: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray for our own homes.

O LORD JESUS CHRIST who didst dwell for thirty years in an earthly home at Nazareth, let Thy Holy Spirit dwell in the hearts of all who dwell in our homes and those whom we love. Keep them in all times of temptation and danger, whenever they are anxious or perplexed or afraid. Hasten the day when we shall be re-united with them with the touch of hand and fellowship. And grant while we are absent from each other we may do nothing that is unworthy of our affection or disloyal to our love, so that when we meet again, we may meet unashamed and go on to build our homes on earth so that we all may be found worthy to be made members of Thy home in Heaven: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray for those who mourn.

Grant, O Lord, to all who are bereaved the spirit of faith and courage, that they may have strength to meet the days to come with steadfastness and patience; not sorrowing as those without hope, but in thankful remembrance of Thy mercies in past years and in sure expectation of a joyful reunion in Thy heavenly places: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Remembrance of the fallen :

O ETERNAL LORD GOD, who holdeth all souls in life: We beseech Thee to shed forth upon Thy Holy Church in paradise and on earth, the bright beams of Thy light and heavenly comfort; and grant that we, following the good example of those who have lived and served Thee here on earth, and who have laid down their lives, may, at last, enter with Thee into the fullness of Thine unending joy: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Chaplain and congregation :

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, Thine unworthy servants, do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; We bless Thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life: but above all, for Thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech Thee, give us that due sense of all Thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth Thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to Thy service, and by walking before Thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Chaplain :

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us all evermore. Amen.