



**A form of Prayer  
and Thanksgiving**

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PARADE SERVICES IN THE  
FIFTH CANADIAN DIVISION  
WITLEY

ON

**DOMINION DAY**

*Sunday, July 1st, 1917*



*“Et dominabitur a mari usque ad mare.”*

## Order of Service.



### Hymn.

*"Praise the Lord, O my soul : O Lord my God, Thou art become exceeding glorious ; Thou art clothed with majesty and honour."—Ps. civ. 1.*

**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.

The earth, with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, Thy power hath founded of old,  
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite ?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light ;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

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.

Amen.

## Prayers.

*General Confession, to be said by All.*

**A**Lmighty and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us ; But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders ; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

## Prayer for Pardon.

**O** GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive, receive our humble petitions ; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of thy great mercy loose us ; for the honour of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer.

**O**UR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread ; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that 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.

## Psalm 121.

**I** WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.

2 My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord himself is thy keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand ;

6 So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

8 The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

## Scripture Lesson.

## Apostles' Creed.

**I** BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth :

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried : He descended into hell ; The third day he arose again from the dead ; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty ; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost ; The Holy Catholic Church ; The Communion of Saints ; The Forgiveness of sins ; the Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayer.

*(The following prayer may be used.)*

ALMIGHTY God, our Heavenly Father, in whose Name we trust, we thank Thee and praise Thee for Thy manifold blessings unto our Country. We thank Thee for the patience and toil of pioneers and patriots, for the noble traditions that our fathers have left us for our heritage, for the passion for freedom and righteousness which Thou hast nurtured in her people, for the peace and prosperity with which Thou hast blest her through the years.

O God, Thou hast guarded and kept our beloved Dominion, and hast made her a land of hope and promise. Bless her now in the days of war. Guide Thou her statesmen and leaders by Thy Divine Spirit, and make them faithful to her highest destiny. Consecrate the whole nation to the cause of our Empire and her Allies, and may her sons be worthy of the noblest traditions of our fathers and the memory of our comrades who have fallen in this struggle for liberty, justice and a larger peace.

We pray Thee, that Thou wilt go with us still, now and in the days to come. Strengthen and nourish the Church of Jesus Christ that she may witness for Thee. May righteousness abound in our national life. Guard and keep our homes and loved ones in Thy tender and unceasing care, and help us to be ever worthy, as citizens of our great Dominion, of the trust and the task which Thou hast given unto us.

Come, Thou Great Healer of the Nations, and cleanse us of all sin. Humble us, forgive us and direct us, we beseech Thee, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

## Hymn.

*"Lord, Thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another."*

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.

A thousand ages in Thy sight  
Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night  
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away;  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day.

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.

## Sermon.

### Hymn.

**F**ROM ocean unto ocean  
Our land shall own Thee Lord,  
And, filled with true devotion,  
Obey Thy sovereign word.  
Our prairies and our mountains,  
Forest and fertile field,  
Our rivers, lakes, and fountains,  
To Thee shall tribute yield.

O Christ, for Thine own glory,  
And for our country's weal,  
We humbly plead before Thee,  
Thyself in us reveal;  
And may we know, Lord Jesus,  
The touch of Thy dear hand;  
And, healed of our diseases,  
The tempter's power withstand.

Our Saviour King, defend us,  
And guide where we should go;  
Forth with Thy message send us,  
Thy love and light to show;  
Till, fired with true devotion  
Enkindled by Thy word,  
From ocean unto ocean  
Our land shall own Thee Lord.  
Amen.

### "God Save the King."

**G**OD save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King.  
Send him victorious, happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us,  
God save the King.

### Benediction.



"CANADA!"

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