# HYMN

**Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;**

**The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide;**

**When other helpers fail and comforts flee,**

**Help of the helpless, O abide with me.**

**Swift to its close ebbs out life’s little day;**

**Earth’s joys grow dim, its glories pass away;**

**Change and decay in all around I see;**

**O Thou, who changest not, abide with me.**

**I need thy presence every passing hour;**

**What but thy grace can foil the tempter’s power?**

**Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?**

**Through cloud and sunshine, Lord abide with me.**

**I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;**

**Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness;**

**Where is death’s sting? Where, Grave, thy victory?**

**I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.**

**Hold Thou Thy Cross before my closing eyes;**

**Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies;**

**Heaven’s morning breaks, and earth’s vain shadows flee;**

**In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

**THE BLESSING**

**God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Queen, the Commonwealth and all people, unity peace and concord, and to us and all God’s servants, life everlasting.**

**Amen**

**THE NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**THE PARADE WILL THEN RE-ASSEMBLE AND MARCH PAST THE WAR MEMORIAL**

EXMOUTH SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

SUNDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2016

10.50 am THE PARADE WILL ASSEMBLE AT THE WAR

MEMORIAL

10.58 am LAST POST

11.00 am 2 MINUTES SILENCE

 REVEILLE

THE EXHORTATION & KOHIMA EPITAPH

(Mr. B Parker – Vice President Exmouth RBL)

THE WREATH LAYING CEREMONY

Wreaths will be laid at the North side of the memorial by:

THE MAYOR OF EXMOUTH – Cllr Mr Brian Cole

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EDDC – Councillor Mr Stuart Hughes

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR EAST DEVON – Rt Hon Sir Hugo Swire MP

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ARMED SERVICES

VICE PRESIDENT OF EXMOUTH RBL – Mr. B Parker (The 1914/18 War)

CHAIRMAN OF EXMOUTH RBL – Mr. D Turner (The 1939/45 War)

VICE CHAIRMAN EXMOUTH RBL – CSgt F Elder (Post 1945 Conflicts)

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LOCAL CADET FORCES

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER UNIFORMED ORGANIZATIONS

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER LOCAL CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

FOR THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF EXMOUTH – Cllr Tony Hill

(Wreath to “The Unknown Warrior”)

On the South side of the memorial:

THE CHILDREN OF EXMOUTH WILL LAY WREATHS SPONSORED BY LOCAL SHOPS, BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS

***The Service will be conducted by the Rev Jim Gosling***

***HYMN***

***1. O God our help in ages past, 4. A thousand ages in Thy sight***

 ***Our hope for years to come, Are like an evening gone;***

 ***Our shelter from the stormy blast, Short as the watch that ends the***

 ***And our eternal home. night,***

 ***Before the rising sun.***

***2. Beneath the shadow of Thy Throne 5. Time like an ever-rolling stream,***

 ***Thy Saints have dwelt secure; Bears all its sons away;***

 ***Sufficient is Thine Arm alone They fly forgotten as a dream***

 ***And our defence is sure. Dies at the opening day.***

***3. Before the hills in order stood, 6. O God our help in ages past,***

 ***Or earth received her frame, Our hope for years to come,***

 ***From everlasting, Thou art God, Be thou our guard whilst***

 ***To endless years the same. troubles last,***

 ***And our eternal home.***

***The Chaplain will say:***

Almighty God, we offer our thanks and praise for all who have died that we might live, for all who endured pain that we might know joy, for all who suffered captivity that we might know freedom, for all who knew austerity that we might know plenty. Grant us strength to fulfil the promises we have made, that the values for which they served and died might be the values by which we live; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

 ***Amen***

***Reading: By Sir Hugo Swire MP (from a letter written by a British Officer 90 years ago)***

*Early on the 11th of November we heard that the Armistice had been signed at 5 am that morning. The news was greeted with mixed emotions. Fighting continued, and many prayed to escape the last bullets of the war. Shortly before the ceasefire, guns roared at many points along the front as Allied troops made one last demonstration. At 11 am bugles along the front sounded the “Stand Fast” and a deathly silence followed. Then, as if it were a signal of hope, a bird started to sing.*

**Then all shall say 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**

**Prayers:**

**Chaplain We offer to Almighty God our thanksgiving for all the many blessings with which he has enriched our lives:**

**For our Sovereign Lady The Queen, and all those who under her bear the privilege and responsibility of government.**

**People *Thanks be to God***

**Chaplain For the steadfastness and courage of those who serve in the Armed Forces of the Crown on sea and land, and in the air, remembering especially those on active service.**

**People *Thanks be to God***

**Chaplain For the tasks undertaken by the Emergency, Auxiliary and Support**

 **Services.**

**People *Thanks be to God***

**Chaplain For the Aid Agencies and all who minister to those in need and**

**distress.**

**People *Thanks be to God***

**Chaplain For the sacrifices made in two world wars, and for those who have**

 **Given their lives in defence of our freedom, and whereby**

**our peace has been preserved.**

**People *Thanks be to God***

**Chaplain For the Royal British Legion and its wide ranging work of**

**benevolence, and for those who devote their lives to the care of the victims of conflict People**

***Thanks be to God***