

7TH FIELD REGIMENT ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY

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9.30 AM SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 1991

HOLY TRINITY GARRISON
CHURCH

MILLERS POINT, SYDNEY

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AT

HOLY TRINITY GARRISON CHURCH
Millers Point, Sydney

Conducted by

The Rev B J Seers, Dip. Theol
Rector, Holy Trinity Church

Preacher

The Rev Doctor Len Thompson RFD, D Min, Dip R E
Senior Chaplain (UCA) (LtCol) 2MD (Retired)

ALL STAND PLEASE

The Queen's Banner is slow marched into the church
and received into Sanctuary

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

(Sung by all)

HYMN NO. 408 - Brightly gleams our banner. - Tune - Hernas

- 1 Brightly gleams our banner, Pointing to the sky,
 Waving on Christ's soldiers To their homes on
 high!
 Marching through the desert, Gladly thus we pray,
 Still with hearts united, Singing on our way--

- 2 Jesus, Lord and Master, At thy sacred feet,
 Here with hearts rejoicing, See thy children
 meet;
 Often have we left thee, Often gone astray:
 Keep us, mighty Saviour, In the narrow way.

- 3 All our days direct us In the way we go,
 Lead us on victorious Over every foe:
 Bid thine angels shield us When the storm-clouds
 lower,
 Pardon thou, and save us In the last dreaded hour.

(Cont over)

HYMN NO. 408 - CONT.

- 4 Then with saints and angels May we join above,
Offering prayers and praises At thy throne of
love:
When the march is over, Then come rest and peace,
Jesus in his beauty, Songs that never cease

THE BIDDING

(The Rector)

We welcome the members and friends of the 7th Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery as they assemble with us in this Garrison Church for the Dedication Service to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the formation of the 7th Australian Field Artillery Brigade AIF at "The Warren", Marrickville New South Wales on 17th March 1916

Together let us thank God for those who heeded the call to serve God, Sovereign and Country in the cause of freedom, honour and peace, especially those who served in the 7th Australian Field Artillery Brigade AIF, 7th Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery and all other Artillery Corps.

Let us again affirm our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and offer ourselves in his service, praying for that day when war shall be no more and we shall rejoice with all the saints in the perfect kingdom of Christ

But first let us draw nearer to our merciful Father in repentance and, humbly kneeling, confess our sins to Him

GENERAL CONFESSION

(Said by all, kneeling)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do

Have mercy on us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you and live a new life to your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF ABSOLUTION

(The Rector)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Said by 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.

MINISTER: Open our lips, O Lord

ALL: And we shall declare your praise.

MINISTER: O God, make speed to save us

ALL: O Lord, make haste to help us

ALL STAND PLEASE

MINISTER: Glory to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

ALL: as in the beginning, so now and
forever. Amen.

MINISTER: Let us praise the Lord.

ALL: The Lord's name be praised.

HYMN NO. 335 - Mine eyes have seen the glory of the
coming of the Lord - Tune - Battle hymn of the republic

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of
the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where
the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible
swift sword; his truth is marching on.

2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never
call retreat; he is sifting out the hearts of men
before his judgment seat:
O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant,
my feet! Our God is marching on.

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across
the sea, with a glory in his bosom which
transfigures you and me:
as he died to make men holy, let us live to make
men free, while God is marching on.

(Cont over)

HYMN NO 335 - CONT

- 4 He is coming like the glory of the morning on the
wave,
he is wisdom to the mighty, he is succour to the
brave.
so the world shall be his foot-stool, and the soul
of time his slave
our God is marching on

FIRST LESSON - Lamentations 3 19 - 33

Bdr John Hebbard - 2B Bty, 7 Fd Regt RAA

HYMN NO 721 - All things bright and beautiful.-
Tune - All things bright.

- 1 All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all
- 2 Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings--
He made his glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.
"All things bright"

(Cont over)

HYMN NO 721 - CONT

3 The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning
That brightens up the sky.
"All things bright."

4 The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden--
He made them every one
"All things bright."

5 He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well
"All things bright"

SECOND LESSON -

Luke 23: 26 - 49

LtCol J A L Fairless - Commanding Officer 7 Fd Regt RAA

ALL STAND PLEASE

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

(Said by all)

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 Spirit, born of the
virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he
rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is
seated at the right hand of God the father almighty;

THE APOSTLE'S CREED - CONT.

from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

MINISTER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you

MINISTER: Let us pray

ALL KNEEL PLEASE

MINISTER: Be exalted, Lord above the heavens,

ALL: Let your glory cover the earth.

MINISTER: Keep our nation under your care,

ALL: and guide us in justice and truth.

MINISTER: Let your way be known on earth,

ALL: your saving power among all nations

MINISTER: Send out your light and your truth

ALL: that we may tell of your saving works

MINISTER: Hear our prayers, O Lord,

ALL: for we put our trust in you.

CHORAL ITEM

The Tara School Choir.

RECTOR

Almighty God, you kindle in the lives of all who follow you the flame of courage and devotion to duty.

May we, the members of 7th Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery, never lack courage to serve loyally under our Captain General, our gracious Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth, especially in places of hardship, isolation, and danger.

Let the memory of those who have given their lives be an inspiration to us that we may grow in wisdom and justice, and in love of God and our fellow men, through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen

Lord our God, you alone are the source of real peace.

We remember with gladness that on the day of your resurrection you appeared to your disciples and said to them "Peace be with you". Speak that word to our hearts today.

Lift us above all our doubts and fears: and help us to be aware of your presence so that your peace may be upon us, through Jesus Christ our lord. Amen

GRACE

(Said by all)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore Amen (2 Corinthians 13.14)

The Rector and representatives of 7th Australian Field Artillery Brigade AIF, 7th Aust Field Regt AIF, 7th Field Regiment RAA and 7 Fd Regt RAA Association will move to the location for the unveiling of a plaque to mark the "75th anniversary of the formation of the Regiment and to remember those members who have given their lives in the service of their country".

The unveiling will be performed by the Association's Patron Brig. A. G. Hanson DSO ED.

The dedication will be performed by the Rector of the Holy Trinity Garrison Church

ALL WILL THEN STAND AND FACE THE WEST AND THE TRUMPETER WILL SOUND THE LAST POST

BRIG. HANSON

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.

They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,
they fell with their faces to the foe

They shall not grow 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
shall remember them.

ALL: We shall remember them

ALL WILL REMAIN STANDING IN SILENCE FOR ONE MINUTE AS AN ACT OF REMEMBRANCE.

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

(The Rector)

*ALL WILL THEN FACE THE EAST AND THE TRUMPETER WILL SOUND
REVEILLE.*

HYMN NO. 412 - Onward Christian Soldiers -
Tune - St Gertrude

(During this Hymn the offering will be taken)

- 1 Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus Going on before.
Christ, the royal Master, Leads against the foe,
Forward into battle, See, his banners go.
- 2 At the sign of triumph Satan's host doth flee;
On, then Christian soldiers, On to victory!
Hell's foundations quiver At the shout of praise;
Brothers, lift your voices; Loud your anthems
raise.
- 3 Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms raise
and wane;
But the Church of Jesus Constant will remain:
Gates of hell can never 'Gainst that Church
prevail;
We have Christ's own promise, And that cannot
fail.
- 4 Onward, then, ye people, Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices In the triumph song,
Glory, laud, and honour Unto Christ the King,
This through countless ages Men and angels sing

ADDRESS The Rev Doctor Len Thompson

ALL STAND PLEASE

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Australians all let us rejoice,	Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
For we are young and free,	We'll toil with hearts and hands,
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,	To make this Commonwealth of ours
Our home is girt by sea.	Renowned of all the lands.
Our land abounds in nature's gifts	For those who've come across the seas
Of beauty rich and rare;	We've boundless plans to share,
In history's page, let every stage	With courage let us all combine
Advance Australia fair.	To advance Australia fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,	In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia fair.	Advance Australia fair

THE BLESSING

(The Rector)

MARCH OUT THE QUEENS BANNER

END OF SERVICE

After the service the Regiment will fire a "Feu de joie"
at Hickson Road, Dawes Point, just a short walk from
the Church.

All welcome.

Service arranged and co-ordinated by the
7 Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery Association
on behalf of members and friends of
7th Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery

The Association records its appreciation
for the service of -

7th Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery
Ensign to the Banner 2Lt G.C. Nettle.

23 Field Regiment Royal Australian Artillery Band
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