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**A Funeral Service for
Two Unknown Soldiers of the Royal Scots
And an Unknown Soldier of an Unknown Regiment,
Killed in Action during the Great War**

1030 hours Wednesday 28 March 2018

St Mary's A.D.S. Cemetery, Haisnes

**Service lead by Reverend Paul van Sittert CF,
Chaplain, The Highlanders (4 SCOTS)**
*Déroulement de la Cérémonie présidé par le Révérend Paul
van Sittert*

The remains of two unknown British soldiers of the Great War were discovered by a farmer near to Haisnes. Shoulder titles found with the remains indicate that these were soldiers of the Royal Scots. Given the location of where the remains were found it is a possibility that these soldiers were killed during the Battle of Loos in September 1915. However there are unfortunately still too many soldiers of the Royal Scots missing from that battle to identify these soldiers. They will therefore be buried today as unknown soldiers of the Royal Scots.

Today an unknown soldier of an unknown regiment will also be laid to rest. His remains were found by a farmer near to the former Hohenzollern Redoubt, a German defensive position which was fought over several times. No regimental insignia were found with the remains and so identification has unfortunately not been possible.

Les restes de deux soldats Britanniques de la Grande Guerre ont été découverts par un fermier près d'Haisnes. Les titres d'épaules qui ont été trouvés avec les restes dénotent qu'ils étaient deux soldats du Royal Scots. Étant donné le lieu où les restes ont été trouvés, il y a une possibilité que ces soldats étaient tués en Septembre 1915 au cours de la Bataille de Loos. Cependant il y avait un trop grand nombre des soldats du Royal Scots qui ont été tués pendant cette époque et qui manquent encore pour tenter d'identifier ces hommes. Ils seront donc inhumés comme des soldats inconnus du Royal Scots.

Aujourd'hui un soldat inconnu d'un régiment inconnu va être enterré aussi. Les restes ont été découverts par un fermier près de la Redoute Hohenzollern, un renforcement Allemand qui était l'objet de combats à plusieurs fois. Rien des insignes régimentaires ont été trouvés avec les restes et désormais l'identification n'a pas été possible.

Call to Worship

Appel à Adoration

Psalm 66: 1, 2, 5, 8, 20 (OSB)

Let all the earth acclaim God.
Sing to the glory of his name.
Come and see what God has done,
let the sound of his praise be heard.
Blessed is God
who has not withdrawn from us
his love and care.

Bidding Prayer

Prière

Gracious God,
we praise you for all that you have done through Jesus Christ.
By giving him to live and die for us, you showed us love without
limit; by raising him from the dead, you brought us life without
end. For the assurance and hope of our faith, and for those
whom you have received into your eternal joy, we give you
thanks and praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for all the gifts of your
providence and grace. You have promised that out of darkness
light shall shine, light which is the knowledge of your glory in
the face of Jesus Christ. We thank you that his light dawns
upon us daily, and brings us a grateful heart and a will to love
and serve you to the end of our days.

Comfort us now with the assurance of the life which is beyond
this life, and of a reunion with those we have loved long since
and who wait for us in your heavenly presence; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

Lecture des Écritures Saintes

Lieutenant Colonel Kieron Potts,
Regimental Secretary, Royal Regiment of Scotland

Psalm 111 (NIV)

Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the
council of the upright and in the assembly.
Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all
who delight in them.
Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness
endures forever.
He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the LORD is
gracious and compassionate.
He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his
covenant forever.
He has shown his people the power of his works, giving them
the lands of other nations.
The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are
trustworthy.
They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness
and uprightness.
He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his
covenant forever - holy and awesome is his name.
The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who
follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs
eternal praise.

Scripture Reading

Lecture des Écritures Saintes

Colonel Christopher Borneman,
Military Attaché British Embassy Paris

2 Timothy 2:1-4 (NIV)

You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.

Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer.

Address

Allocution

Committal

Enterrement

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great goodness.
As a father is tender towards his children,
so is the Lord tender to those that fear him.
For he knows of what we are made;
he remembers that we are but dust.

We have entrusted our *brothers*,
their names unknown as soldiers of the Great War,
to God's merciful keeping.

We now commit their bodies to the ground,
earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust,
in the sure and certain hope

of the resurrection to eternal life,
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who died, was buried,
and rose again for us,
and is alive and reigns for evermore.
Amen.

The Collect of the Royal Scots

Récitation du Régiment

Major Timothy Cummings, 1 SCOTS

O Lord Jesus Christ, who art the first and the last, grant, we pray thee, that, as thou hast promised to be with us even unto the end of the world, so may the Royal Scots be the first to follow thee and the last to forsake thee, who art with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Amen.

The Exhortation

L'Éxhortation

Sergeant Stephen Studders, 1 SCOTS

They shall grow not 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 will remember them.

We will remember them.

The Last Post

Sonnerie aux Morts

Silence

Reveille

Kohima Epitah

L'Épitaphe de Kohima

When you go home tell them of us and say:
'For your tomorrow, we gave our today.'

Laying of Wreaths

Dépôts des Gerbes

Prayers

Prières

Heavenly Father,
who called your Church to witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to bring trust where there is fear,
understanding where there is prejudice,
and hope where there is despair,
that the world may know the power of
your reconciling love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Almighty God, protect all who serve in the Forces of The
Queen; strengthen us in danger and temptation; give us
courage and loyalty, that we may remain true to the highest
traditions of our profession; and keep us steadfast when faced
with the perils of action in war; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Prière du Seigneur

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory
Forever.
Amen.

The Dismissal

Séparation et Dernière Bénédiction

The guarding of the God of life be on you,
the guarding of the loving Christ be on you,
the guarding of the Holy Spirit be on you,
every day and night,
to aid you and enfold you,
each day, each night.
Amen.