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**A Funeral Service for
An Unknown Soldier of the Royal Scots,
Killed in Action during the Great War**

1000 hours Tuesday 27 March 2018

Bailleul Road East Cemetery, St Laurent Blagny

**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 this unknown British soldier of the Great War were discovered by a team of workmen near to Athies. Shoulder titles found with the remains indicate that this was a soldier of the Royal Scots. Given the location of where the remains were found it is a possibility that this soldier was killed during the Battle of Arras in April 1917. However there are unfortunately still too many soldiers of the Royal Scots missing from that battle to identify this soldier. He will therefore be buried today as an unknown soldier of the Royal Scots.

Les restes de ce soldat Britannique de la Grande Guerre ont été découverts par les ouvriers près d'Athies. Les titres d'épaules qui ont été trouvés avec les restes dénotent qu'il était un soldat du Royal Scots. Étant donné le lieu où les restes ont été trouvés, il y a une possibilité que ce soldat était tué en Avril 1917 au cours de la Bataille d'Arras. 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 cet homme. Il sera donc inhumé comme un soldat inconnu du Royal Scots.

Call to Worship

Appel à Adoration

We gather in the light of Christ to recall the effects of human violence, our need for redemption, to voice sorrow for our own share in the world's violence, and to find the healing of the world in the light which shines most intently at the heart of darkness.

Bidding Prayer

Prière

Gracious God,
you made us and you love us.
Your love is our security and our hope.
We find our true selves, complete and whole,
only within your love.
And because in love you have prepared for us
a destiny more wonderful than we can imagine,
we trust you with our loved ones and ourselves;
in Jesus' name.

Eternal God our heavenly Father,
you love us with an everlasting love
and are able to turn
the shadow of death into the morning.
In the silence of this hour
speak to us of eternal things,
that through patience and comfort
of the scriptures.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

Lecture des Écritures Saintes

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

Psalm 27:1 - 6 (NIV)

The LORD is my light and my salvation - whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life - of whom shall I be afraid?
When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall. Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then I will be confident. One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple. For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock. Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

Gospel Reading

Lecture de l'Évangile

Colonel Christopher Borneman,
Military Attaché British Embassy Paris

John 15:9-17 (NIV)

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each

other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit - fruit that will last - and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other.

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 *brother*,
his name unknown a soldier of the Royal Scots,
to God's merciful keeping.

We now commit his body 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***Prayer***Prière*

God of grace and peace,
in your Son, Jesus Christ,
you have given us new birth into a living hope.
Strengthen us now to live
in the power of the resurrection,
and keep us united with our loved ones
and with all your people in heaven and on earth,
from whom in death we are not divided.
For you live and reign for ever and ever.
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 peace of God,
which is beyond all understanding,
guard your hearts and your thoughts
in Christ Jesus.

And the blessing of God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be with you, now and for evermore.
Amen.