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## KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION

5:00pm, Sunday 10 November 2019

# Beasley Auditorium, Perth Modern School 90 Roberts Road, Subiaco

81st anniversary of the 'Night of Broken Glass' 9 November 1938



when Nazis stormed through Germany, Austria, and Sudetenland, smashing the windows of Jewish businesses, burning synagogues and killing Jews — foreshadowing the mass extermination of the Shoah/Holocaust.

#### ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

- The Revd Marie Wilson, Chairperson, CCJWA Inc. (MC), invites Ms Lois Joll, Principal, Perth Modern School, to give the Welcome speech.
- The Prayer for Our Country is said by Rev Mark Illingworth, Associate General Secretary of the Synod, Uniting Church WA.
- Dr Ronniet Orlando and Margaret Helfgott play Balada by Ciprian Porumbescu (1853–1883) [abridged].

MC: Call to Worship

We gather this day as children of Abraham and Sarah.

We gather as Christians and Jews to remember a night in 1938 when hope was shattered like the glass which covered the streets of Germany.

We gather to remember and to mourn the hate that was unleashed on the people of God.

We gather to conciliate and to seek healing; we gather in longing for God's presence; we gather, seeking compassion and courage, so that justice might roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

### Prayer

O God, who promised to be our refuge and our strength, give us strength this day.

Even though the earth be moved, may we not be afraid.

O God of Jacob and Rachel, you who are called our stronghold, give us grace to see your face as waters rage and foam around us.

Help us in this hour to be still and know that you are our God and we are your beloved people.

- Poems deriving from Terezin are introduced and read by students of Perth Modern School:
  - Waiting (anon.) read by Nisani Gunawardhana
  - o The Butterfly (Pavel Friedmann) read by Joshua Cammack
  - The Garden, and I am a Jew (both by Franta Bass) read by Campbell Moffat.

MC introduces the Guest Speaker: Malcolm McCusker AC CVO QC, and invites him to come forward.

- Occasional Address: 'Evil creeps back, if good people stand aside.'
- Psalm 121:1-2, 4, is sung in Hebrew by Carmel School Choir, directed by Michele Galanti and accompanied by Shirley Atlas.

#### Lighting of Memorial Candles

- Colin Rockman OAM JP, of PHC; Committee Member, CCJWA, gives a brief account of the millions of Jews and others, from many different backgrounds, who were victims of the Shoah.
- > The first Memorial Candle is lit by Hilary Garnelas, of Temple David.
- The poem The Little Boy with His Hands Up, by Yala Korwin, is read by Colin Rockman.

- Historical background concerning The Righteous Among the Nations, is offered by Fr Michael Moore SM, Rector, Redemptoris Mater Seminary; Committee Member, CCJWA.
- The second Memorial Candle is lit by Dr Mary Marshall, Honorary Secretary, CCJWA.
- The poem Righteous of the World, by Chaim Chefer, is read by Fr Michael Moore.
- Musical interlude: George Perlma's Yisker (Hebrew Prayer) from his Suite Hebraique, played by Dr Ronniet Orlando and Margaret Helfgott.

MC: Let us now remember as we are able, in silence ...

TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE

> The sound is heard of shattering glass.

MC: Let us say together ...

O Eternal One, we remember; we remember the Night of Broken Glass; we remember the burning of the synagogues; we remember the looting of the schools; we remember the destruction of orphanages; we remember the arrests, the deportations, the deaths.

Brief period of silence

#### ALL STAND

MC: Let us offer to each other a sign of reconciliation. Turn to those around you, reach out a hand of friendship, and wish one another 'Shalom' — 'Peace'.

#### REMAIN STANDING

MC: Let us bring forward a candle
as a symbol of hope and liberation
that human beings will learn
to live together in harmony
that light will overcome
the darkness of war and hatred.
And the goal will be that
NEVER AGAIN will there be a Shoah!

The Candle of Hope is brought forward by Hannah Lawrence, of Carmel School, and Calen Watt, of Perth Modern School, symbolically carrying it together. They place it on the table in front of the other two candles and together, using a taper lit from one of the Memorial Candles, light the Candle of Hope.

MC: LET THE LIGHT OF PEACE SHINE IN OUR WORLD.

ALL: LET THE LIGHT OF PEACE SHINE IN OUR WORLD.

## ALL SIT

- Z. Randall Stroope, Inscription of Hope, is sung by the Prendiville Middle School Chamber Choir, directed by Mr David Hicks, and accompanied by Mr Warren Bracken.
- The Exhortation is given by The Right Reverend Kate Wilmot, Anglican Diocese of Perth:

Go out into the world in peace.

Pay attention!

Have courage!

Hold on fiercely to what is good.

When you confront evil, don't turn your eyes away but don't get pulled into it either.

Do not abandon those who are suffering — be with them ... help them ... honour them and God's justice will roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

#### ALL STAND

Kaddish is led by Melvyn Garnelas of Temple David:

Yitgadal v'yitkadash sh'mei raba. B'alma di v'ra chirutei, v'yamlich malchutei, b'chayeichon uv'yomeichon uv'chayei d'chol beit Yisrael, baagala uviz'man kariv. V'im'ru: Amen.

Exalted and hallowed be God's great name in the world which God created, according to plan. May God's majesty be revealed in the days of our lifetime and the life of all Israel – speedily, imminently, to which we say Amen.

Y'hei sh'mei raba m'varach l'alam ul'almei almaya.

## Blessed be God's great name to all eternity.

Yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpaar v'yitromam v'yitnasei, v'yit'hadar v'yitaleh v'yit'halal sh'mei d'kud'sha b'rich hu, l'eila min kol birchata v'shirata, tushb'chata v'nechemata, da'amiran b'alma. V'imru: Amen. Blessed, praised, honoured, exalted, extolled, glorified, adored, and lauded be the name of the Holy Blessed One, beyond all earthly words and songs of blessing, praise, and comfort. To which we say **Amen**.

Y'hei sh'lama raba min sh'maya, v'chayim aleinu v'al kol Yisrael. V'imru: Amen.

May there be abundant peace from heaven, and life, for us and all Israel, to which we say Amen.

Oseh shalom bimromav, Hu yaaseh shalom aleinu, v'al kol Yisrael. V'imru: Amen.

May the One who creates harmony on high, bring peace to us and to all Israel. To which we say Amen.

#### ALL SIT

MC: Expression of thanks.

- Brief introduction to The Partisans' Song.
- The Partisans' Song is sung by the combined choir of Ellenbrook Secondary College and Carmel School, in Yiddish, Hebrew, Noongar, and English, directed by Mr Stuart Rhine-Davis, accompanied by Mr Warren Bracken. (See insert for lyrics.)
- Acknowledgment of choir as appropriate.
- MC stands, and steps down from the stage, indicating the conclusion of the formal proceedings.
- A recording of 'Shema Israel' from Kiko Argüello, The Suffering of the Innocents, is played as the congregation disperses reverently.