



What began with a simple suggestion from Hannah “Shall we do something for VE Day?” quickly turned into a truly memorable event, thanks to the enthusiasm and community spirit of our lovely volunteers.

On the morning of 8th May, we gathered outside the cenotaph on the green opposite St Margaret’s Church, where Revd Hannah Gordon led us in a moving time of prayer and quiet reflection. It was a beautiful moment of remembrance, honouring those who served and sacrificed.



Particularly poignant was the Act of Commitment ‘Let us pledge ourselves anew to the service of God and our fellow men and women: that we may help, encourage and comfort others, and support those working for the relief of the needy and for the peace and welfare of the nations’.

The response being ‘Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve you and all humankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering, and for the praise of your name. Guide us by your Spirit; give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope; and keep us faithful now and always. Amen.’



We were delighted to welcome a marvellous turnout of 46 people, including a walking group who arrived at just the right time and joined in the occasion. Their presence added an unexpected but welcome touch of spontaneity and warmth to the day.

Following the service, we returned to the parish office and church for a delicious afternoon tea. The space had been transformed with red, white, and blue bunting, little café style tables and the sounds of the 1940s played softly in the background. There was much laughter and conversation shared. Even our four-legged friends didn’t leave empty-pawed, as they enjoyed their own special treat of ‘sausages’ much to their delight!



A heartfelt thank you to all who helped, attended, and contributed in any way. It was a wonderful way to mark this significant day together.

