WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP
~REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS~

PRELUDE *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* arr. Brown-LeDoux

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING- Recognition of Our Veterans

PRAYER Bill Smith

Dear heavenly Father, today we honor our members who have served in our Armed Forces. You have inspired many of our best and brightest to volunteer to proudly stand and defend our beloved country. You have given us brave and loyal men and women who have steadfastly served in their chosen branch of military services.

For the hardships they have faced, for the sacrifices they have made to America's victories over tyranny and oppression in times of war, and for their standing guard in times of peace; we are eternally grateful.

May we remember with deep affection those veterans of our church who are no longer with us, and have gone to be with you in heaven.

We ask Your Special blessing on those today that we have placed in harm's way. Please protect them, and bring them home safely.

We pray that You will bless those who have served and are serving, Lord; for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve freedoms, our safety, and our country's heritage. Amen

CALLING OF NAMES John Wilt

SPECIAL MUSIC *Star Spangled Banner* Francis Scott Key
Soloist- John Wilt

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us.
P: The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.
L: Yet God is with us.
P: All around us, there is fear and hopelessness.
L: God brings to us hope and peace. We place our trust in God's abundant love.
P: Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God's healing words of hope. AMEN.

***OPENING HYMN** *"Now Thank We All Our God"* UMH #102

***OPENING PRAYER**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Haggai 2:1-9
L: This is the Word of God, for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Butch Dalton

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895

***PRAYER HYMN** *"O God of Every Nation"* UMH #435

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rachel Holden

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *This Is My Father's World* arr. Page

***DOXOLOGY** UMH #95

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:1-13

SERMON Keep Watch! Rev David Westmoreland

***CLOSING HYMN** *"Awake, O Sleeper"* UMH #551

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Go forth in peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen

POSTLUDE *Go Out in Joy* Young

**Please stand as you are able*

The white rose on the altar is in memory of Pat Maurakis

Veteran's Day received the official name June 1, 1954. With a history of presidents pushing to honor what was "Armistice" Day, with the first on November 11, 1919 by President Woodrow WIlson. With presidents and congressional acts, many changes have been made; but As Woodrow Wilson first said, "With splendid forgetfulness of mere personal concerns, we remodeled our industries, concentrated our financial resources, increased our agricultural output, and assembled a great army, so that at the last our power was a decisive factor in the victory. We were able to bring the vast resources, material and moral, of a great and free people to the assistance of our associates who had suffered and sacrificed without limit.

Thanks to our veterans!

Ways to Give
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Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost

November 8, 2026



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