

Woodbury
United Methodist Church



Sunday, November 13th, 2022

10:45 am

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Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
Veterans Day

*Please stand as you are able.

WE COME TOGETHER IN PRAISE

PRELUDE

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

John B. Dykes

GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jay Hockenberry, Liturgist

New life comes through change. A new beginning is always near. Embrace the changes God is bringing.

We remember today, O God, all those who have served under the colors of their countries.

We commend them to you for their bravery, their patriotism, and their honor.

Grant that those who serve today may be kept in your everlasting love and protection.

Give comfort and encouragement to their families.

We pray for the day when there will be peace on earth and the kingdoms of this world will have become the kingdoms of our Christ.

Hasten that day, O God, and help us to live in that hope. Imbue us with your spirit of love and forgiveness, in order that we may understand the nature of Christ's kingdom.

Hear our prayers for our enemies in the world, that they may be converted to Christ's will for the nations and join us in a better world community.

Let your holy will prevail among all people, and your name be exalted forever.

*OPENING HYMN

Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above

UMH #126

V 1, 2, 4

*AN OPENING PRAYER FOR VETERAN'S DAY (unison)

Righteous God, you rule the nations.

Guard brave men and women in military service.

Give them compassion for those who confront them as enemies.

**Keep our children from hate that hardens,
or from scorekeeping with human lives.**

WE SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE IN PRAYER

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

WE GO FORTH IN JOY

CLOSING HYMN

Forth in Thy Name, O Lord

UMH #438

V 1, 2, 4

BENEDICTION

May the strength of God be with you. May you never tire of the work God calls you to do for the benefit of God's kingdom. Go forth with the power of the Holy Spirit. Go to share the good news of the gospel with everyone you meet, for Christ is alive, alive in you! **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

The Butterfly Song

Brian Howard

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Visitors are warmly welcomed!

Thanks to all those making special *contributions to our worship service today*: Jay Hockenberry, *Liturgist*; Rynn Naylor & Paul Hibbard, *Greeters and Ushers*

The Prayer Corner

In prayer, prayers for Judy and the family for comfort and peace as they grieve Bill's passing; the family of Lois Mosel as they grieve her passing; persons who are struggling with the challenges of aging and diminished health; continued prayers for Bob and Martha as Martha goes through further medical evaluation. Continued prayers for Erv Story, that God will keep his spirits up and help him through his medical treatments. Continued prayers for Rob Bronson and his rehabilitation; continued healing for Barbara Etcheto; Michael Etcheto, grandson of Barbara Etcheto; Anders, uncle of Diane Hibbard; Melissa, daughter of Pete Vindigni; Pete and Sue Vindigni during their travels; Aurelia (Watertown congregant); a friend who is recovering from COVID; prayers for the homebound.

Flowers are given this week by Christine Smith in honor of all veterans.

The floral chart is back in the Narthex for your convenience if you would like to select a date for flowers throughout the year. Flowers are \$30.

