

INVOCATION (all)

Almighty God, our heavenly creator, bless our nation that it may be a blessing to the world. Grant that our ideals and aspirations may be in accordance with your will. Keep us from hypocrisy in feeling or action. Grant us sound government and just laws, good education and a clean press, simplicity in our relations with one another and, above all, a spirit of service which will abolish pride of place and inequality of opportunity. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (all)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

ANTHEM

"America, the Beautiful"

Choir

THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament: Psalm 33:1-12
New Testament: John 8:12-20

Lay Reader Pam Frazier

Pew Bible pages 440,441
Pew Bible page 870

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

A LITANY FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Leader: We pray that we may learn to love one another.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We remember those who have loved us enough to lay down their lives for us and pray that they may rest in peace.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We pray that you would comfort all those who mourn the loss in war of a loved one.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We pray that we may never take the freedoms we have for granted and will share them with others.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We pray that you will remove greed, envy, and lust for power and control from our hearts and the hearts from all people.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We pray that you will root out racism, sexism, and violence from our lives, our communities, our nation, and our world.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We pray that we may learn to share the world's resources with all and not hoard them for ourselves.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We pray that we may learn to wage peace so that no more people will die in war.

People: *God, hear our prayers.*

Leader: We pray all these things in the name of Jesus Christ, trusting in the promise, that whatever we ask in Christ's name, you will give.

People: *Amen*

***HYMN OF REFLECTION #390**

"It Is Well with My Soul"

*1 When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

Refrain:

*It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. [Refrain]*

*3 My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! [Refrain]*

SERMON

"To Care or Not to Care"

Rev. Dr. Paul R. Adkins

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

Roy Campbell

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***CLOSING HYMN #22**

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*1 Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!*

*2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.*

*3 Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou are Father, Christ our Brother, All who live in love are Thine:
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine. Amen*

***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL AMEN

***POSTLUDE**

“We'll Meet Again”

Choir

**The flowers this morning are given in honor of Nancy Hopkins Reilly
on her birthday by her daughter Meghan.**

This Week

Sunday, May 26 – Worship Service, 10:00 am
Coffee Hour, Rev. Adkins Thank You
NA 6:00 pm (BH)

Monday, May 27 – Church Office Closed
AA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

Tuesday, May 28 – NA, 7:30 pm (BH)

Saturday, June 1 - NA, 7:30 pm (BMR)

Sunday, June 2 - Worship Service, 10:00 am
NA 6:00 pm (BH)

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