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PRELUDE/ COUNTDOWN

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

WELCOMING OF GUESTS

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PASSING THE PEACE

CONGREGATIONAL

PRAYER

Liturgist

Jesus thank you for all the men, women, and families who've sacrificed their lives for others. Thank you for the freedoms we experience because of their selflessness. And thank you that through them we see a tangible example of what you've done for all of us, trading your life for ours, so that we could experience freedom...Amen

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Great Is thy Faithfulness (v. 1-3)

UMH #140

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended to Hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Joshua 22:26-27 (NKJV)

Liturgist

Therefore, we said, 'Let us now prepare to build ourselves an altar, not for burnt offering nor for sacrifice, ²⁷ 'but *that* it *may be* a witness between you

and us and our generations after us, that we may perform the service of the LORD before Him with our burnt offerings, with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your descendants may not say to our descendants in time to come, "You have no part in the LORD.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God

**Please stand as you are able*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Dear Father, thank you for the freedom that we enjoy. We are thankful for those who paid the price for that freedom and we thank you for the freedom we have because Jesus was willing to pay the penalty for our sin. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Epistle to the Philippians 2:5-8 (NKJV)
Liturgist

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

SERMON ANTHEM

Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones

Choir

GOSPEL READING: John 15:12-14 (NKJV)

Liturgist

This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. ¹⁴ "You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

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MISSION MOMENT

PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND PRAISE

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If you have a prayer need or praise that you would like to share with the congregation, please fill out a card and pass it toward the center aisle of the congregation as we are singing the Hymn of Preparation. The pastor will collect the cards during the song and pray over the cards at the chancel rail.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

Lord Whose Love in Humble Service (v.

1-4) UMH #581

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

SERMON

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Title: Remember the Sacrifice

Theme: Memorial Day

Main Idea: Memorial Day is a time of remembrance and gratitude. It's a time when we look to the sacrifice of the brave men and women who have died in service to our country.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating Our Gifts)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you that you are God, and there is no other, you are God, and there is none like you. You love us with an eternal love and we

give you our offerings as an expression of our love for you. We pray our gifts will be used to extend your kingdom in our land. May you, the God of all grace, who has called us into eternal glory by Christ Jesus, make us holy, strong, and filled with peace. To you be glory and honor for ever and ever. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings* See screen

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION *Battle Hymn of the Republic (v. 1-5)*
UMH #717

*COMMISION / BENEDICTION
Pastor

Jesus taught us, "Blessed are the peacemakers." May God grant you the vision, strength, and courage to proclaim God's message of peace whether welcome or unwelcome, for the sake of God's beloved children. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Love and Fellowship* See screen

POSTLUDE

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in remembrance
of
"Mama's birthday and Daddy's going home"
by Gail Dampier*