

Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church Onancock, VA
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November 8, 2020 Veteran's Day Service

Prelude/Welcome Good morning! A joyous greeting to one and all. We especially welcome all veterans, as our nation honors them this week. **"Let us worship God!"**

Announcements

Choral Opening: Sing!

Call to Worship

L: In this land of freedom and beauty, let us give thanks to God.

P: Let us praise God for the blue lakes and grassy prairies, the vast desert, and the breathtaking mountains of our homeland.

L: Let us unite in worship of our Almighty God who formed all lands and all people, and declared without hesitation "*it is good*".

P: We will worship and we will protect the land God created for us.

Opening Prayer: Washington's prayer of 1783 written at Newburg and sent to the governors of all the states. **Almighty God, we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in thy holy protection, that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government, and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large. And finally that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility, and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without an humble imitation of whose example in these things, we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplications, we beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Opening Hymn #262 PH God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

Young Disciples

Tribute to Veterans

Call to confession *God is here. Trusting in God's grace, Let us confess our sufferings, our losses, our pain, our sins. Join me, as we pray together, saying,*

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have

left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Words of Assurance: *Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen!*

Gloria Patri #579 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.

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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Readings: Psalm 46; 2 Timothy 2:1-13

Sermon: A Life of Honor

Anthem Be Still My Soul

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.

Prayers of the People, prayer for our country (from Army & Navy service book) & The Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

Closing Hymn #562 Eternal Father Strong to Save

Benediction

Choral Closing/Postlude

Hymns

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

God of the ages whose almighty hand, leads forth in beauty all the starry band, of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land by Thee our lot is cast; be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay; Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From wars alarms, from deadly pestilence, be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense; Thy true religion in our hearts increase; Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way, lead us from night to never ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

Eternal Father Strong to Save

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave, who bade the mighty ocean deep, its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Savior, whose almighty word the wind and waves submissive heard, who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

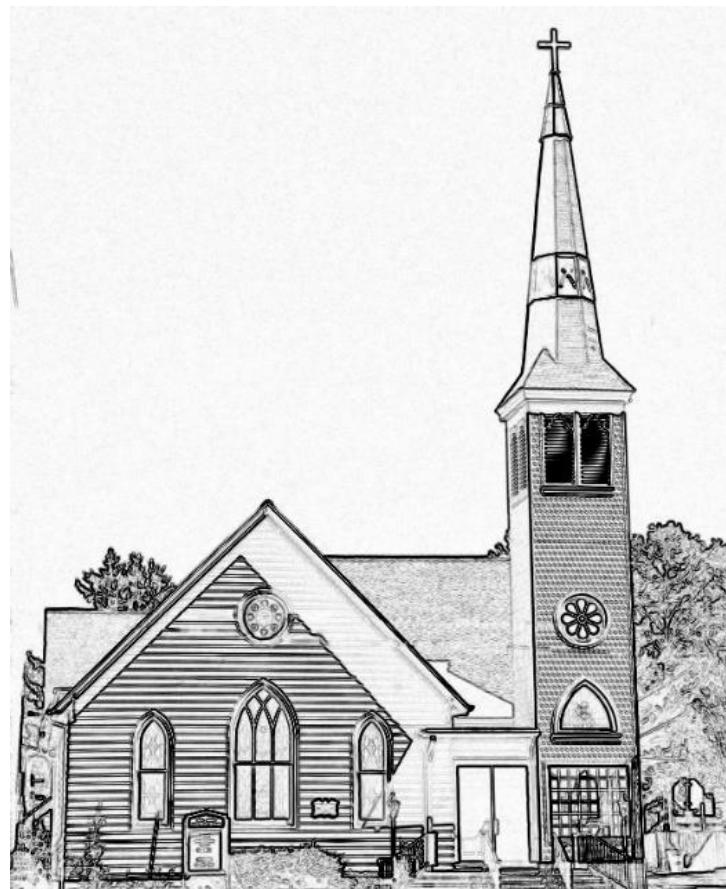
O Holy Spirit, who did brood, upon the chaos wild and rude, and bade its angry tumult cease, and gave, for fierce confusion peace: O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power, all travelers guard in danger's hour; from rock and tempest, fire and foe, protect them where-so-e'er they go; thus evermore shall rise to The glad praise from air and land and sea.

Our Mission Statement

“Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don’t take yourself too seriously—take God seriously.” Micah 6:8
Compassionate, Fair and Loyal

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Prayer for our country from the Song and Service Book for Ship and Field Army & Navy 1941

Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage, we humbly beseech Thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of Thy favor and glad to do Thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogancy and from every evil way. Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that through obedience to our law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in Thee to fail. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Abraham Lincoln gave his second Inaugural Address on March 4, 1865, as the Civil War was raging. He said, "Fondly do we hope — fervently do we pray — that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away."

Lincoln's next paragraph is especially appropriate for Veterans Day:

"With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his

orphan — to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations."

Newscaster Tom Brokaw went to the beaches of Normandy in June 2004 to honor the thousands of soldiers who invaded France 60 years ago. Part of his report included an interview with a survivor of the invasion, an old veteran named Harold Baumgarten. He had been with 29 other soldiers who jumped from a landing craft to rush onto the beach while bullets peppered them incessantly. Only two of the group of 30 men survived the day. Baumgarten himself was wounded in his jaw and had to wait a day before he could be treated. Altogether on that one day some 4,900 soldiers died.

Harold Baumgarten was only 19, but such an experience made him a serious young man who, thanking God that he had survived, vowed to make his life count for something. He decided to become a physician and to dedicate himself to serve anyone who came to him, particularly veterans.

Dr. Baumgarten kept his fees low so that those with smaller incomes would feel comfortable seeking his care. In his mind, he was serving on behalf of his fellow soldiers who had died. Thinking of the good Dr. Baumgarten has done in life, one wonders what positive contributions the many American men and women who died in the service could have made had they survived.

Katherine Lee Bates, who penned "America the Beautiful" (1904), was surely thinking about such veterans when she wrote the third stanza:
O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife.
Who more than self the country loved
And mercy more than life!
America! America!
May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness
And every gain divine!

Announcements



BRING CANNED GOODS FOR THE FOOD BANK

Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes are due Nov 14. Drop them by the church or at the Gazebo gathering on that day 😊



Mission Committee will be collecting non-perishable food for the Food Bank to help families over the holidays. We will be collecting food until Sunday, December 20th. Please drop off your donations at church in the bins located in the Makemie Room or give Tracey Arvidson a call to pick up your donation. Thank you!

NOV 15 IN-PERSON Sunday for YOUTH at NMPC
Community Service to a local non-profit. We will bake doggie biscuits for the SPCA November 15th & put up the Angel Tree. Please let Tracey know if your child will participate.