

VETERANS DAY

November 11, 2021



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



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UIW Military and Veterans Center – An Important Student Resource

The University of the Incarnate Word Military and Veteran Center welcomes and recognizes all service members who are serving and who have served to protect the rights and freedoms of our country. We are here to assist UIW students using educational benefits under Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Educational Assistance Programs and Department of Defense Tuition Assistance in the pursuit of their educational goals.

Additionally, the MVC regularly hosts Colleen Ward, LCSW. Colleen is a VA Social Worker and a VITAL (Veterans Integration to Academic Leadership) coordinator.

As VITAL Coordinator Colleen can:

- ★ Provide education on various VA benefits and services Student Veterans are entitled to as well as assist with enrollment into VHA Healthcare
- ★ Assist Student Veterans in accessing and navigating available VA resources and community and on-campus services to support their academic success.
- ★ Provide brief counseling services to eligible Student Veterans.

For assistance, reach out to the MVC at the phone number or emails below!



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Serving those who have served

2021 Veterans Day Ecumenical Service

Introduction & Prayer

Bishop Trevor D. Alexander, UIW Chaplain

Posting of the Colors

*UIW Army ROTC
CDT Christopher Lara, CDT Anna Lee,
CDT Malleigh Ebel, CDT Enrique Lozano*

"The Star-Spangled Banner"

IWHS Madrigals

Welcome

UIW President, Thomas Evans, Ph.D.

History of Veterans Day

Dr. Glenn James, Vice Provost

Wreath Laying

*UIW Army ROTC
CDT Christopher Shaw, CDT Anderson MartiVega*

Responsive Prayer

Omar Ozuna, Graduate Student

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

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

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

People: Give comfort and encouragement to their families.

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

People: 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.

Leader: Hear our prayers for our enemies in the world, that they may be converted to PEACE for the nations and join us in creating a better world community.

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

All: Amen.

Reading from Today's Mass *Kimberly Cox, Doctoral Candidate, USAF (ret)*

Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Luke 17: 20-25

“... For just as lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day. But first he must suffer greatly and be rejected by this generation.”



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HYMN: "Partners in the Mission"
(Peter Fisher Hesed)

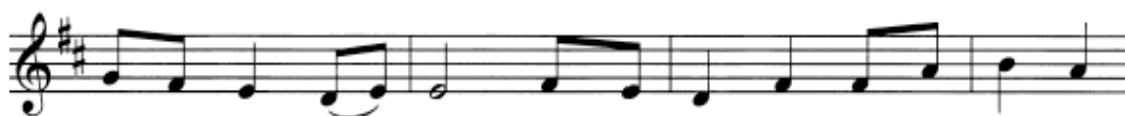
Lena Gokelman, Piano
Carmen Aguilera, Cantor



1. In the lives of all who suf - fer, In the fear and in the
2. We are part - ners in the work of Bring - ing faith and hope to
3. While on earth this is our call - ing; Learn to bear the beams of



1. pain, God is there when in our tri - als Christ is
2. birth; Seek - ing whole - ness for the bro - ken, We, the
3. love. We are sent to live for oth - ers, Sent on



1. cru - ci - fied a - gain. May we rec - og - nize our Sav - ior
2. hands of Christ on earth. Like the saints who came be - fore us,
3. mis - sion from a - bove; Though we trem - ble at love's bur - den,



1. In the stran - ger on the road; May we bend to bind the
2. Let our deeds and wit - ness be Liv - ing prom - ise of the
3. It is eas - y, it is light; As we seek e - ter - nal



1. wound - ed, Help the bur - dened bear the load. _____
2. King - dom, And a sign of u - ni - ty. _____
3. splen - dor, May our souls with love burn bright. _____

Peter Fisher Hesed
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Flag Folding

Dr. Kevin Lafrance and UIW Army ROTC

*CDT Christopher Lara, CDT Addie Piatz
UIW Drummer, Jordan Frenzel*

The first fold of the flag is a symbol of life.

The next fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.

The next fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks, who gave a portion of his or her life for the defense of our country and to attain peace throughout the world.

The next fold represents our weaker nature, for we as Americans trust in God, and it is Him we turn to for divine guidance in time of peace or war.

The next fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of the immortal Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right, but it is still our country, right or wrong."

The next fold is for where our hearts lie. And it is with our hearts that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The next fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through these same Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all enemies, whether they are found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

The next fold is a tribute to the ONE who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day.

The next fold is a tribute to womanhood, because it has been through their loyalty, love and devotion that the characters of the members of our Armed Forces, who have made our nation great, have been molded.

The next fold is a tribute to Fathers, for they too have given their offspring for the defense of our country, since she was first born.

To a Hebrew citizen, the next fold represents the lower portions of the seals of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in his eyes, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.

To a Christian citizen, the next fold represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

Recognition of Service Members
(All U.S. & foreign services)

Dr. Glenn James, Vice Provost
Cheryl Lindquist, Piano and Richard Novak, Tenor
Art Song Center

The Mission Connection – Student Veteran Reflection

Darnell Thomas, US Army (ret)
UIW Student Veterans of America

**A Litany Adopted from “*The Book of Worship for United States Forces*
(1974), no. 625”**

Karissa Vigil, School Certifying Official

Leader: Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country's story:

People: We give you thanks, O God.

Leader: For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

People: We give you thanks, O God.

Leader: For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the world's common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to their fellows:

People: We give you thanks, O God.

Leader: For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

People: We give you thanks, O God.

Leader: O almighty God and most merciful Father, as we remember these your servants, remembering with gratitude their courage and strength, we hold before you those who are serving and those who have served. Look upon their service with your mercy. As this day brings them memories of those they have lost, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are alive now and forever in your living presence.

Benediction

Bishop Trevor D. Alexander, UIW Chaplain

Lord, by Your touch, by which we feel Your GRACE,
We take Your GRACE to our communities.

Lord, as we trust that You already provide all we need,
We share our FAITH in our communities.

Lord, inspired by Your promises to us,
We share Your HOPE in our communities.

Lord, by Your LOVE we are healed,
We take Your LOVE to our communities.

Lord, by Your Spirit of PEACE we are reconciled to one another.
We go in PEACE to be Your healing presence in our communities.

Amen.

Retire the Colors

UIW Army ROTC

*CDT Christopher Lara, CDT Anna Lee,
CDT Malleigh Ebel, CDT Enrique Lozano*

Reception immediately afterward

We extend our blessings and thanks to:

*USAA for providing our memorial wreath
Cindy Adair and Sodexo for Veterans Day free meal coupon
Vilma Godoy and Follett for Veterans Day discounts in the UIW Bookstore*



America the Beautiful – IWHS Madrigals

*O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!*

*O beautiful for pilgrim feet
Whose stern impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!*



Support for Military & Veterans

Veterans Crisis line available 24/7

Call (800) 273-8255 press 1

Chat online at <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/>

Text 838255

UIW Behavioral Health Services

(210) 832-5656

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Your UIW Military & Veteran Center

Peer Advisors for
Veteran Education
(PAVE) is a peer support
program just for
student veterans.

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share their firsthand
experience with
incoming student veterans
and help connect them
with the campus and
community resources
they need to succeed.

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UIW is proud to
partner with PAVE to
serve student
veterans on our
campus.



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**SCAN TO LEARN
MORE ON HOW TO
BECOME A CARDINAL
WARRIOR**



IN 2009, the student veterans at the
UNIVERSITY OF THE INCARNATE WORD
established a chapter of the

STUDENT VETERANS OF AMERICA.

The mission of the Student Veterans of America is to expedite, facilitate, and reinforce the successful transition for U.S. military veterans and their families to university life while fostering a lasting bond of friendship with veterans of allied armed forces and mentoring the next generation of military and civilian leadership.

2021 Veteran's Day Ceremony

Military & Veterans Affairs would like to extend an extra thanks to:

- ★ *Art Song Center*
- ★ *Darnell Thomas*
- ★ *Dr. Kevin LaFrance*
- ★ *Dr. Thomas Evans, Ph.D.*
- ★ *Follett*
- ★ *Incarnate Word High School Madrigal Singers*
- ★ *Sodexo*
- ★ *STMU & UIW Army ROTC*
- ★ *Student Veterans of America, UIW Chapter*
- ★ *USAA*

