

Veterans Day Ecumenical Service

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UIW MILITARY & VETERAN CENTER

The University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) 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 the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Educational Assistance Programs and the Department of Defense Tuition Assistance Programs in the pursuit of their educational goals.

Recently, UIW was proud to announce that it has been ranked #6 in the nation by the Military Times in its 2022 Best for Vets: Colleges rankings.

The Military Times Best for Vets: Colleges list is based on a survey of more than 300 schools and rates them in several different categories including student success, resources, and financial assistance. High student success metrics (completion, retention, persistence, GPA) of our military connected students led to UIW's top 10 ranking.

UIW's Military and Veteran Center offers a multitude of military-specific resources, services, and events that contribute to the success of our military connected students. For assistance, reach out to the MVC at the phone number or emails below.

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2022 VETERANS DAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Introduction & Prayer

Bishop Trevor Alexander & Dr. Glenn James

Posting of the Colors

Army ROTC Cadets

Robert Balderas, Christopher Lara, Skylar Larsen, Addie Piatz, and Erika Zachary

“The Star-Spangled Banner”

Incarnate Word High School Madrigal Singers

Welcome

UIW President, Thomas M. Evans, PhD

History of Veterans Day

Vice Provost, Dr. Glenn James

Wreath Laying

Army ROTC

Responsive Prayer

Camille Piper

Reading from Mass

Army Chaplain (Captain) Yepsica Guativa

Hymn - “Partners in the Mission”

Mrs. Glynn Sims-Bonds & Carmen Aguilera

Flag Folding Ceremony

Dr. Alan Jones, Army ROTC Cadets

Skylar Larsen, Erika Zachary, Robert Balderas

UIW Percussionist, Eli Thoreson

Recognition of Service Members

Dr. Glenn James

Student Veteran Reflection

Dillon Deltoro, U.S. Navy Veteran

Litany from “The Book of Worship for US Forces”

Dr. Amanda Roberts

Benediction

Coach John Newman, U.S. Marine Corps, Retired

Retire the colors

Army ROTC

America the Beautiful

Incarnate Word High School Madrigal Singers

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

led by Camille Piper

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

led by Chaplain (Captain) Yepsica Guativa

Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

A reading from 2 John 4-9

“... I ask you,
not as though I were writing a new commandment
but the one we have had from the beginning:
let us love one another.

For this is love, that we walk according to his commandments;
this is the commandment, as you heard from the beginning,
in which you should walk.”

“PARTNERS IN THE MISSION”

Mrs. Glynis Sims-Bonds, Piano

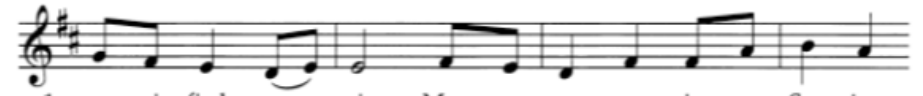
Carmen Aguilera, Cantor



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 CEREMONY

led by Dr. Alan Jones

*CDT Skylar Larsen, CDT Erika Zachary, CDT Robert Balderas
UIW Percussionist, Eli Thoreson*

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

led by Dr. Glenn James, Vice Provost

All U.S. and Foreign Services will be recognized.



STUDENT VETERAN REFLECTION

given by Dillon Deltoro, U.S. Navy Veteran



Dillon was born and raised in San Antonio, TX until he and his family moved to Phoenix, AZ in 2003. There, he graduated from Tolleson Union High School in 2008.

Dillon enlisted and served in the U.S. Navy from 2008 through 2019. From 2008 - 2013, he served three deployments with VAQ-138 Yellow Jackets of Whidbey Island, WA. From 2013 - 2016, he was on Shore Duty in Fallon, NV. Finally, Dillon had two more deployments

from 2017 - 2019, where he was with VFA-27 Royal Maces of Atsugi & Iwakuni, Japan with deployments on the USS Ronald Reagan.

Dillon will be graduating this December with his Bachelors of Business Administration with a concentration in Sport Management, and was the recipient of the 2022 Outstanding Undergraduate Sport Management Student. He is on track to graduate with honors, Summa Cum Laude.

LITANY

led by Dr. Amanda Roberts

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

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

Coach John Newman

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.

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

led by the Incarnate Word High School Madrigal Singers

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!

VETERAN RESOURCES

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.



SCAN TO LEARN
HOW TO JOIN



University of the Incarnate Word®
PAVE
Peer Advisors for Veteran Education



PAVE is a peer support program for student veterans.

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



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Email us at PAVE@uiwtx.edu
or scan the QR Code.

Veterans Crisis line available 24/7

Call (800) 273-8255, press 1

Chat online at www.veteranscrisisline.net

Text 838255

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We extend our blessings and thanks to:

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



UIW's Military & Veteran Affairs Department would like to extend an extra thank you to the following for participating in our ceremony:

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- ◇ Dillion Deltoro
- ◇ Dr. Alan Jones
- ◇ Incarnate Word High School Madrigal Singers
- ◇ UIW's Mission & Ministry
- ◇ STMU & UIW Army ROTC
- ◇ Student Veterans of America, UIW Chapter
- ◇ UTSA & UIW Air Force ROTC

Please stay to attend our 3rd annual Veteran's Day Parade at 1 p.m.!

UIW VETERANS DAY PARADE



November 11, 2022 1 p.m.
after Veteran's Day Ceremony

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