Scripture for Sunday, May 24, 2020: Romans 5:6-8; Matthew 25:34-40

Choose experiences as a family to further explore scripture selected in recognition of Memorial Day.

Worship Bulletins and Coloring Pages

Bulletins for Romans 5:6-8 (with online games): Ages 3-6

Bulletins for Matthew 25:34-40 (with online games: Ages 3-6

Ages 7-12

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Romans 5:8

Memorial Day 1 Memorial Day 2 Memorial Day 3

Gather

You may wish to light a candle to mark this time together. Select one or more questions to discuss:

What is Memorial Day?

What can we do to honor those who serve and have served to defend our freedoms?

How can we help others during this time when we cannot be together with friends and extended family?

Watch the Children's Message from Sunday Worship



Hear the Story

The intent of today's message is to draw connection between Jesus' sacrifice and the sacrifice offered by soldiers. Jesus died on the cross to ensure our forgiveness and everlasting life. Military men and women offer their lives in service to our country to preserve our freedom. As disciples of Christ, in response to these incredible offerings of love, we are to offer our love and service to our neighbors near and far.

Today's first reading is Romans 5:6-8. Read <u>Romans 5:6-8</u> from your favorite bible. Or, choose a comfortable version from <u>www.biblegateway.com</u>. Perhaps you will want to start with the Easy-to-Read version.

Listen and sing along to:
 "God Shows His Love For Us" (sign language)



"How He Loves Us" (praise song)



Today's second reading is Matthew 25:34-40. Read <u>Matthew 25:34-40</u> from your favorite bible. Or, choose a comfortable version from <u>www.biblegateway.com</u>. Perhaps you will want to start with the Easy-to-Read version.

- Read this summary from <u>Growing in Grace and Gratitude</u> and consider some of the corresponding family activities.
- Listen and sing along to "Share His Love":



Respond

Hear some facts about Memorial Day:



Hear and discuss Memorial Day Surprise by Theresa Golding.



Listen and sing along to "Memorial Day Flag Song for Kids":



Go Forth

Monies collected through One Great Hour of Sharing during Lent each year are offered to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. You can click <u>here</u> to read about how this organization is working right now during this pandemic.

Talk about ways that you can safely support individuals and families in our community.

• Do you know any veterans? Make a phone call or send a card to share your appreciation for his/her service.

- Decorate your driveway with chalk or hang a sign in your window in appreciation of those who serve: veterans and current members of our armed forces, healthcare personnel, and/or service workers in grocery stores, the postal service, waste management, and more!
- Check for current needs posted by the **People's Pantry**.
- Pat Graham is looking for children to color cards to accompany prayer shawls. You can contact Pat directly at patgraham@rocketmail.com or contact Ms. Jen.
- Chester County Department of Public Health has issued a request to support healthcare facilities. You can read more here:
 - o <u>Letter</u>
 - o Adopt-A-Healthcare Facility Project
 - o Community Art Challenge
- What other ideas does YOUR family have?

Share your experiences with Ms. Jen at ilanglois@covenantfrazer.org. Miss you! O

