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**Faith, Hope and Love, and the Greatest of These is Love**

**A Mini-Newsletter From Your Family at Oakhurst United Methodist Church**



**OAKHURST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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LOVING GOD, LOVING OTHERS, LOVING LIFE

**Our Mission is to make disciples, nurture disciples,  
and spread the Kingdom of Christ.**

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Hello to our Friends and Family,

It's Memorial Day! Time for a little trivia.

- ☞ Did ya know that Memorial Day began in the 1860's as Decoration Day? It was a day to decorate the graves of those who were killed in the Civil War. It was celebrated in most states on May 30.
- ☞ Did ya know that Decoration Day officially became Memorial Day January 1, 1920?
- ☞ Did ya know that Memorial Day was changed from May 30 to the last Monday in May by the Uniform Holidays Bill on June 28, 1968?
- ☞ Did ya know you are supposed to fly the American flag at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day then raise it to the top of the staff for the rest of the day?
- ☞ Did ya know all Americans are encouraged to pause for a National Moment of Remembrance at 3:00 pm local time?

How many of us look forward to Memorial Day as a day for cookouts, pool parties and a day away from work and forget about the true purpose of the day, remembering all of those who have made the supreme sacrifice for our country? This Monday let's all take a moment to remember and honor those who gave the last full measure. Maybe this year we can include the doctors, nurses and first responders who put themselves in harm's way during this pandemic at the cost of their lives, too.

Jesus gave his life on the cross for us. Because of him, we have complete forgiveness of our sins. This Memorial Day, let us start the day with our thanks for His sacrifice and continue throughout the day celebrating the lives and honoring the deaths of those who followed in Jesus' footsteps by giving their lives for our freedom.

Thank you to all our veterans and first responders. You are always in our hearts and prayers.

Keep smiling until we meet again.

In His Joy,  
Your Pastors and Staff



“A hero is someone  
who has given his or  
her life to something  
bigger than oneself.”

Joseph Campbell

Our Garden Angels are once again working to improve the planting areas around our church. We are desperately in need of pine bark nuggets, or donations to help purchase some. Bags of pine bark nuggets and or donations may be dropped off at the Church office between 9:00 am and 12:30 pm.



During the past 5 weeks, several UMW crafters have sewn and donated 500 masks to children and their adult caretakers at Cornerstone Family Ministries, in Tampa. Linda Bavaro, Del Lawson, Mary Champney and Mary Wirth were busy creating and sewing the much needed masks. Many thanks to our congregation and others who donated fabric, and to Del who delivered the masks. These mask makers will not stop, their next goal is to provide masks to our congregation as we reopen.



*"Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy forget in time that men have died to win them."*

*Franklin D. Roosevelt*



*"It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather we should thank God that such men lived."*  
- George S. Patton



**"If you want to thank a soldier, be the kind of American worth fighting for."**

**Unknown**



*"Heroism doesn't always happen in a burst of Glory. Sometimes small triumphs and large hearts change the course of history."*

*Mary Roach*





## WHO IS GOD TO YOU?

He is my **HEALER** (Psalm 103:3)  
 He is my **REDEEMER** (Isaiah 59:20)  
 He is my **DELIVERER** (Psalm 70:5)  
 He is my **STRENGTH** (Psalm 43:2)  
 He is my **SHELTER** (Joel 3:16)  
 He is my **FRIEND** (John 15:15)  
 He is my **ADVOCATE** (1 John 2:1)  
 He is my **RESTORER** (Psalm 23:3)  
 He is my **EVERLASTING FATHER** (Isaiah 9:6)  
 He is **LOVE** (1 John 4:16)  
 He is my **MEDIATOR** (1 Timothy 2:5-6)  
 He is my **STRONGHOLD** (Nahum 1:7)  
 He is the **BREAD OF LIFE** (John 6:35)  
 He is my **HIDING PLACE** (Psalm 32:7)  
 He is the **EVERLASTING LIGHT** (Isaiah 60:20)



He is a **STRONG TOWER** (Proverbs 18:10)  
 He is my **RESTING PLACE** (Jeremiah 50:6)  
 He is the **SPIRIT OF TRUTH** (John 16:13)  
 He is my **REFUGE FROM THE STORM** (Isaiah 25:4)  
 He is **ETERNAL LIFE** (1 John 5:20)  
 He is the **LORD WHO PROVIDES** (Genesis 22:14)  
 He is the **LORD OF PEACE** (2 Thessalonians 3:16)  
 He is the **LIVING WATER** (John 4:10)  
 He is my **SHIELD** (Psalm 144:2)  
 He is my **HUSBAND** (Isaiah 54:5)  
 He is my **HELPER** (Hebrews 13:6)  
 He is my **WONDERFUL COUNSELOR** (Isaiah 9:6)  
 He is the **LORD WHO HEALS** (Exodus 15:26)  
 He is my **HOPE** (Psalm 71:5)  
 He is the **GOD OF COMFORT** (Romans 15:5)



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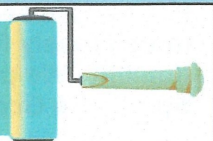
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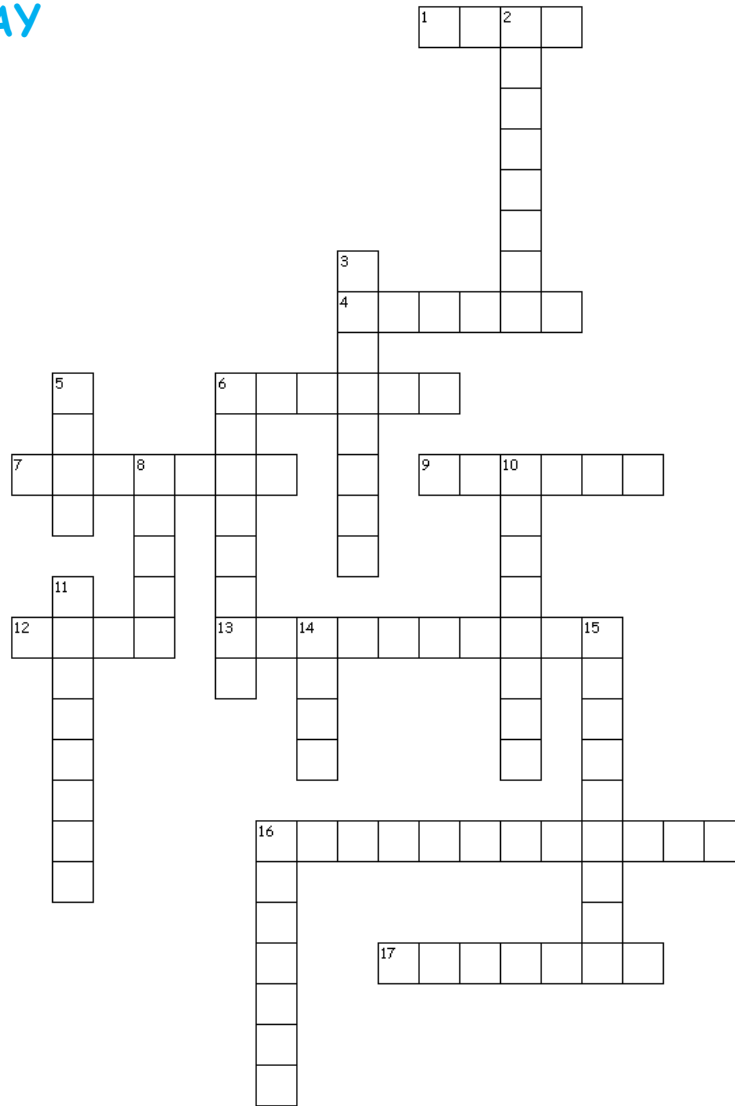
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# MEMORIAL DAY PUZZLE



## Across

1. We serve on the water
4. Sign-up
6. Where the weapons are stored
7. Ship's occupants
9. Left on a tomb or grave
12. we live in \_\_\_\_ for our future
13. Protectors of our shores (2 words)
16. ...of America (2 words)
17. First in battle

## Down

2. Those who serve/served
3. A remembrance
5. Our symbol that flies
6. Protectors from above (2 words)
8. Vacation
10. Post or Base \_\_\_\_ (Shopping)
11. Army's men and women
14. Serve on land
15. Muster out... Honorable \_\_\_\_
16. Tomb of the \_\_\_\_ Soldier

MEMORIAL DAY  
PUZZLE (Answers)

Across

- 1. Navy
- 4. Enlist
- 6. Armory
- 7. Sailors
- 9. Wreath
- 12. Hope
- 13. Coast Guard
- 16. United States
- 17. Marines

Down

- 2. Veterans
- 3. Memorial
- 5. Flag
- 6. Air Force
- 8. Leave
- 10. Exchange
- 11. Soldiers
- 14. Army
- 15. Discharge
- 16. Unknown