

## SERMON NOTES

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 27, Year B \* November 7, 2021

Sermon by the Reverend Julie Altenbach

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 \* Psalm 127 \* Hebrews 9:24-28 \* John 11:32-44

### The Weaver and the Tapestry

A \_\_\_\_\_ is a picture woven into a cloth by an artist called a \_\_\_\_\_.

Some tapestries tell \_\_\_\_\_.

The story of Ruth weaves a tapestry of l\_\_\_\_\_, f\_\_\_\_\_, r\_\_\_\_\_, t\_\_\_\_\_, and r\_\_\_\_\_.

Poem: **The Weaver** Author: Benjamin Malachi Franklin

**My life is but a weaving  
Between my Lord and me;  
I cannot choose the colors  
He worketh steadily.  
Oft times He weaveth sorrow  
And I, in foolish pride,  
Forget He sees the upper,  
and I the under side.  
Not til the loom is silent  
And the shuttles cease to fly,  
Shall God unroll the canvas  
And explain the reason why.  
The dark threads are as needful  
In the Weaver's skillful hand,  
As the threads of gold and silver  
In the pattern He has planned.  
He knows, He loves, He cares,  
Nothing this truth can dim.  
He gives His very best to those  
Who leave the choice to Him.**

**Next Week's Lessons**

1 Samuel 1:4-20 \* 1 Samuel 2:1-10 \* Hebrews 10:11-25 Mark 13:1-8

## Chewing on Our Daily Bread

Questions for conversation with your family, Home Group, or a friend

1. Tell about a time you felt God weaving events in your life?
2. Who is someone God has used in your life to further your story of faith?
3. Tell about a time God helped you see a connection of events that worked out for your good.
4. Tell about how you can use your story of faith to introduce someone you know to God.
5. PRAY:
  - ✦ Thanking God for weaving the people and experiences in your life out of love.
  - ✦ Asking God to help you tell your story to others in a way that tells about who He is.
  - ✦ For any needs in your group.

## Veterans' Day \* November 11

Veterans' Day began as Armistice Day to mark the end of World War 1 and honor those who served in The Great War. In 1956, after World War 2 and the Korean War, President Eisenhower signed a Congressional Resolution changing it to Veterans' Day to honor all who have served in our armed forces, especially those who saw combat.

Though we remember those who died in wars on Memorial Day, it's appropriate to remember them also on Veterans' Day.

Ron Bouton researched and compiled the numbers of those who have died in American conflicts:

**Civil War (1860-1865):** Estimated 620,000

**World War 1 (1917-1918):** 116,500

**World War 2 (1941-1945):** 405,400

**Korean War (1950-1953):** 30,500

**Vietnam War (1955-1975):** 58,200

**Gulf War (1991):** 260

**War on Terror: (2001-2021):** 7,700

**Total – 1,238,560**, the majority of whom were men between the ages of 18 and 24.

## Prayers for Veterans' Day November 11

### *6. For Heroic Service*

#### *Book of Common Prayer 839*

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *For the Dead*

#### *Book of Common Prayer 488*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in whose hands are the living and the dead: We give thee thanks for all thy servants who have laid down their lives in the service of our country. Grant to them thy mercy and the light of thy presence; and give us such a lively sense of thy righteous will, that the work which thou hast begun in them may be perfected; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*