

## WAR MEMORIAL CHAPEL PRAYER

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**G**racious, just and merciful God, creator and sovereign ruler of all, hear my prayer in this holy place. I confess my fear and bias, my overarching desire for the safety and protection of what is precious to me. Knowing that all our earthly campaigns shall ultimately be bent toward the ends of your kingdom, I beg your forgiveness for our discord even as I seek your grace.

Thank you for giving us brave armed forces and the servant leaders of our nation. Thank you for the nurture of families, the love of friends, and the sense of honor which sustains our cause. Please protect those who are dear to me and guide us all in the paths of righteousness.

May the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen and lead, may peace return to our world, may our loved ones return home, and may those who have sacrificed their earthly life find comfort and rest in Thee, our strength and our redeemer. I pray these things in Christ's name, who took on the form of all humanity and shares in our struggles. *Amen.*

