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The Campus Center
Christopher Newport College
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Our National Anthem----- Mrs. Mary Thompson

A Moment of Silent Prayer for All Veterans:
Living and Dead

A Prayer For Our Country----- Mr. Robert Davis

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Remarks by President James Windsor

A Prayer for A Blessing----- Dr. Ross Brackney

"God Bless America"-----Mrs. Mary Thompson

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Veterans Day, originally known as Armistice Day, is the anniversary of the cessation of hostilities in World War I, November 11, 1918 and of the signing of an armistice between the Allies and Germany. Immediately after the war, November 11 was set aside in the United States, Great Britain, and France as a day of remembrance for those who had given their lives in the war and was generally called Armistice Day. After World War II it was recognized as a day of tribute to the dead of that conflict as well as of World War I. In Canada it came to be known as Remembrance Day. In Great Britain the Sunday nearest November 11 was proclaimed as Remembrance Sunday and was devoted to honoring the dead of both world wars. After the Korean War the President of the United States signed a bill on June 1, 1954 designating November 11 as Veterans Day and proclaiming it as an occasion for honoring veterans of all wars. Special services are held at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

In the recent realignment of federal holidays the observance of Veterans Day was moved to a Monday in late October. The traditional date is still observed by Virginia and twenty-nine other states. Our Governor will preside over a Veterans Day ceremony at Noon today in the State Capitol.