



9/11 Day of Remembrance Ceremony

September 11, 2026 7:00 pm

The Park at City Center

Master of Ceremonies	Michael Caldwell	Mayor, City of Woodstock, Partner-Blackairplane
Presentation of Colors	River Ridge H.S. AFJROTC	Rodney C. Deese II, U.S. Air Force (Ret.), Chief Master Sergeant
<i>Pledge of Allegiance</i>	American Heritage Girls	Troop GA2012, Woodstock, GA, Melissa Montgomery, Coordinator
<i>The Star-Spangled Banner</i>	Miss Heather	Heather Gilliland, Recreation Coordinator, Woodstock Parks and Recreation
Invocation	Ross Wiseman	Pastor, Momentum Church, Woodstock
<i>9/11 Proclamation</i>	Michael Caldwell	Mayor, City of Woodstock, Partner-Blackairplane
<i>Where Were You?</i>	Moment of Reflection	Recorded by singer Alan Jackson, released November 26, 2001
Guest Speaker	Roland Castro	Police Chief, City of Woodstock Police Department
Guest Speaker	Steven Lester	Deputy Chief, City of Woodstock Fire Department
<i>America the Beautiful</i>	Miss Heather	Heather Gilliland, Recreation Coordinator, Woodstock Parks and Recreation
Guest Speaker	Scott McElroy	SFC, US Army (Ret.), Georgia Army National Guard, Cherokee County Sheriff's Office
Benediction	Ross Wiseman	Pastor, Momentum Church, Woodstock
<i>Amazing Grace</i>	Miss Heather	Heather Gilliland, Recreation Coordinator, Woodstock Parks and Recreation
Retirement of the Colors TAPS	River Ridge H.S. AFJROTC	Rodney C. Deese II, U.S. Air Force (Ret.), Chief Master Sergeant

Star Spangled Banner

Oh Say, can you see
By the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hailed
At the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars
Through the perilous fight
O'er the ramparts we watched
Were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare
The bombs bursting in air
Gave proof through the night
That our flag was still there

O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.



America The Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea! (1x)

O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law! (2x)

O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved
And mercy more than life!
America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And every gain divine! (2x)

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see. (2x)

