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A series of events designed to observe the 100th anniversary of World War I and the armistice that ended it is underway at Taylor University.

Known as "The Great War," WWI began in 1914 with the assassination of the Archduke Ferdinand of Austria-Hungary and his wife, Sophia, Duchess of Hohenburg. By the time it ended on November 11, 1918, the war had claimed 16 million lives and led to 37 million military and civilian casualties.

The United States entered the war in April 1917, after the sinking of the Cunard ocean liner Lusitania by a German submarine that led to the deaths of about 1,198 people including 128 Americans.

The Taylor remembrance is in honor of the lives lost in the conflict and began Thursday, November 8. Events will continue through November 11.

Organizers say the aim is solemn and reflective series of events that honor the lives of those impacted by the war.

Schedule:

Thursday, November 8

7:30 pm: Concert in Recital Hall of Smith-Hermanson Music Building led by Dr. Chris Bade, with poetry reading by Taylor faculty members to follow.

Friday, November 9

4 pm: Socratic Club Lecture led by Ms. Anne Cooper, Dr. Joe Ricker and Dr. Benjamin Wetzel in Ayres Courtroom

7 pm: Showing of *Joyeux Noel* in Cornwall Auditorium

Saturday, November 10

Prayer led by Dr. Ed Meadors in the Prayer Chapel (TBD)

Sunday, November 11

7 pm: Memorial in Euler Atrium. This will include music, song, poetry, readings, remembrance with silence, candles, and playing of Taps.

The public is invited.



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