

Blessing Delivered at the conclusion of the Mess Dinner

May 12, 2023

O God we thank you for all that we have received at this gathering: not just the food we have consumed this evening; but also for what we have received during the last several days; the opportunity to learn the reasons behind the changes in the navy since the UNTD program ended; the opportunity to learn several possible realities which may unfold in the near future; and most especially the opportunity to make the decisions we did at our AGM; to change our name, our membership, and our Board, into the kind of National organization that will be more attractive to younger and future generations of Citizen Sailors, who will ensure that the contributions of the Naval Reserve to the Regular Force and to the country will be preserved and made accessible to all.

Amen.

Rev. Canon William Thomas (Prevost UNTD '59)