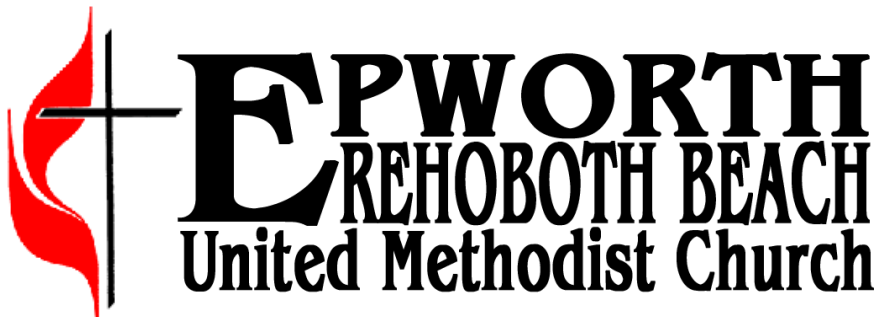




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Sunday, February 21, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Welcome to Epworth!

Sunday indoor Worship—10 a.m.

Is canceled due to the new restrictions in Delaware for
the current COVID 19 Pandemic

Sunday Live stream Worship—10 am

YouTube: Epworth UMC Rehoboth Beach DE

ASL Interpretation on YouTube:

Epworth UMC ASL Rehoboth Beach, DE



THIS SUNDAY

Temptation: Knowing that we are also
“beloved” helps us fight temptations.

Next Sunday, February 28, 2021
Worship Series: Facing Challenges

**Commitment: Following Jesus
demands our all**

Focal lesson: Mark 8:31-38

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

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Sound Tech: Ben Carper ... Video Production ... Thomas Vyas
Preschool Director: Betsy Plowman ... Nursery: Cathy Crawford
Custodian: Wanda Hudson ... Maintenance: Mike Harrigan
Cemetery Superintendent: Jay Stevenson

**VISION: Exploring Faith,
Embracing Community;
MISSION: Inviting, Belonging,
Connecting, Caring.**

STRUCTURE:

Four Ministry Teams

Inviting Team

Inclusive Ministries, Food Ministries, Ecumeni-
cal/Interfaith, Social Justice

Belonging Team

Small Groups, Belongings, Sunday School,
All Age Level Groups

Connecting Team

Worship, Music, Conferences, Retreats

Caring Team

Good Sam, Missions, Pastoral Care Team,
Care Ministries

***Affiliating with other United Methodists for greater
inclusiveness through the Reconciling Ministries Net-
work***

Long-Term Prayer Concerns
are on page 4 during the virus

Attendance last weekend, Feb. 14,-2021

Our Winter Newsletter is Out

Read it online (eumcrb.org) or call the church office.

Sunday Live stream	ASL	Total
168	8	176
(as of 2/17)		

☞ WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY ☞

Prelude		Doug Yetter, piano
Gathering Music	<i>God Is On The Move</i>	Praise Team
Welcome & Sharing the Mission & Ministry of Epworth		Pastor Vicki
Passing the Peace and Preparing the Worship Space		
*Opening Hymn	<i>Down By The Jordan</i>	
Children's Celebration		Mickie McManamon

☞ WE ENGAGE THE WORD ☞

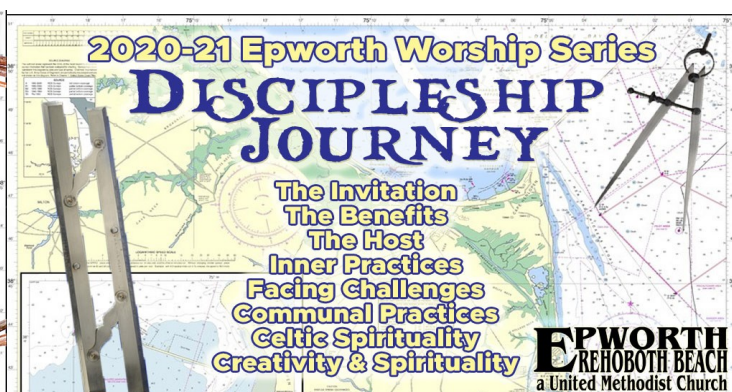
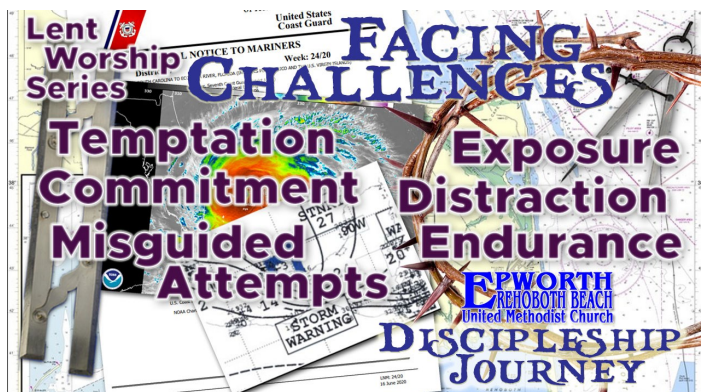
Song	<i>When Jesus Came To Jordan</i>	
*Gospel Lesson	<i>Mark 1:9-15</i>	Rob Linder
We Pray for our Pastors		Rob Linder
Anthem	<i>I Am Not Afraid</i>	Epworth Select Chorus
Sermon	<i>Temptation</i>	Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith
	Knowing that we are also "beloved" helps us fight temptations	

☞ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ☞

Sharing Our Gifts	<i>Offerings are given through check, on-line giving, Texting at 302-488-0038</i> <i>Bless your heart for supporting our ministries!</i>	
Black History Moment:	<i>Bleed The Same</i>	
Prayers of Response		
The Lord's Prayer	<i>(sung responsively)</i>	

☞ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ☞

*Sending Forth	<i>The River</i>	
*Benediction & Three-Fold Amen		
Postlude	<i>Reflection</i>	Doug Yetter, organ
❖ = Please stand as you are able; \$ = congregational response		



This Week at Epworth

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

10:00 a.m. On-line Worship

1:00 p.m. Food & Love To Go

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

CLOSED—Phone calls only 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

4:00 p.m. First State Tutoring

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

CLOSED—Phone calls only 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

CLOSED—Phone calls only 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

1:00 p.m. Choir Practice

4:00 p.m. First State Tutoring

5:30 p.m. Memorial Bells

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

CLOSED—Phone calls only 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

CLOSED—Phone calls only 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

CLOSED

Bulletins for the month of February are sponsored in honor of their daughter, Laine Pace's birthday, February 24, by her parents, Laurel & Denny St. Germain.

Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Acolyte:

Sound: Ben Carper, Mickie McManamon, Noah Ryan, Tommy Vyas, Alex Tamburello

Food Pantry Needs

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Tuna, Canned Chicken, Span, Vienna Sausage, Pancake mix, & syrup, Tomato sauce, Children's cereal, canned soup, Chef Boyardee anything, Baked Beans, Applesauce in jars. Thank you for your support.

Church Offerings

During these tough times of COVID, the day-to-day operational expenses of the church are still on-going. If you are not attending our in-house worship services and you don't already give electronically, please remember to mail your offerings to the church at 19285 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE, 19971 or call the church office to find out how you can start giving electronically, 302-227-7743.

COVID-19 Relaunch Plan Update

- ❖ Live Stream Worship is on Facebook and YouTube at 10:00 a.m. Join us at 10:00 a.m. Sundays! Subscribe and click the Bell.
- ❖ We live stream an ASL-interpreted version of the worship service at 10:00 a.m. on our YouTube ASL Channel. Be sure to subscribe and click the Bell.
- ❖ Good Sam Food Ministry & Soup Kitchen are OPEN. Food is available to anybody with an emergency need for food—Dive-up/walk-up service at our Oceanside Entrance. Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, Thursdays from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. and Sundays from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. with a hot meal from the Soup Kitchen. Food and monetary donations to restock our supplies are accepted at the Bayside entrance (drive-up) under the steeple during these hours or electronically on our Giving page, simply designate "Good Sam" on the comment line.
- ❖ Your continued financial support of the ministries of Epworth UMC by donating your time, food for the hungry, and financial support shines a light in the darkness of the COVID-19 crisis. Your may mail your check to the church office, give electronically at www.eumcrb.org/give or by texting GIVE to 302-488-0038 on your SmartPhone.

Sponsors for Bulletins & Newsletters Needed

We are in need of sponsors for the bulletins and newsletters for 2021. Here is what is needed:

Bulletins for March, April, June, August, November and December.

Newsletters for June/July/August, September/October/November and December/January/February.

Please call the church office at 227-7743 and ask for Debbie.

Coffee or Dessert via Zoom with our Pastors

Meet and greet via Zoom with our Pastors during COVID with a morning coffee or evening dessert meeting. Dates are as follows:

Coffee (10:30-11:30 a.m.)	Dessert (6:30-7:30 p.m.)
2/25, 3/11, 3/25, 4/22	3/4, 3/18, 4/1, 4/15
5/6, 5/20, 6/3, 6/17	4/29, 5/13, 5/27, 6/24

Call the church office to register—302-227-7743

Sunday School Online!

Please find Sunday School lessons, story sheets, spiritual practice suggestions, and craft sheets online on our website, eumcrb.org, for younger and older elementary children. We give thanks for Connie Holdridge and Linda Benderhilt for making the story recordings.

[coronavirus.delaware.gov/
testing/](https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/testing/)



You can help stop the spread.

Find a testing site near you.

Caring Pathway - Prayer List

**Names printed in Italics indicate additions to our prayer list this week.*

FEBRUARY 21, 2020

CONCERNS

J.B.
Roberta H.
Mary Ann Balcer-Cohen
Beebe Hospital Staff
Melda Bengston
Karen Bengston
Gavin Birl
Andy Brangenberg
Nancy Brooks
Bob Buchmann
Anne Buck
Margaret & Tom Cahall
Rob Cline
Roger Caffier
Ben Catley
Thomas Crawford
Daniel
Max Dick
Emmalane Ewing
Bob Frame, Sr.
Susie Gorecki
Daryl Grimes
Andrea Harmer
Cecilia Hartman
Candice Highfield
Linda Hess & Family
Ray Hilt
Dee Keaney
Paulette Lewandowski
Patrick Mahan
Jerry Mahon
Nora Mastrippolito
Ron Paxton
Gary Ralph
Bill Robinson
Barb Rowe
Dorothy & John Sadler
George Smith
Hank Smith
Wave Starnes
Noreen Strohmer
Susan Szumski
Laura Unruh
Doris Wert
Sharon Wert

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

50+ years—CONGRATULATIONS!

SYMPATHIES

- ❖ To Virginia & Glenn Catley, family & friends, on the death of Virginia's mother, Grace Leedy.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

HOMEBOUND, HOSPICE OR LONG TERM CARE

Connie Horne, Harbor Health +
Leon Cromer, Harbor Health +
Linda Rooney
Quinn Smith
Jesse Vyas, home w/ hospice
Lynn Aurand, Hospice

IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

BRANDYWINE

Rosemarie VanIngen

MEN & WOMEN OF OUR ARMED FORCES

Kristen Bakkegard, U.S.N.
Bradley Bliton, U.S.A.F.
Chase Collins, U.S.A.
Logan Collins, U.S.A.
Mark Freda, U.S.A.F.
Megan Gravette, U.S.N.A. Plebe
Capt. Michael Holdridge, USMC
Michael Knight, U.S.A.F.
James Lanman, U.S.N.G.
Matthew McMeekin, U.S.N.
Brendan Neagle, U.S.M.C.
Stephen James Norris, U.S.N.
Elena Rooney, U.S.A.
Chadd Shirk, U.S.M.C.
Luke Wilson, U.S.C.G. Cadet

SERVICEMEN/ WOMEN IN HARMS WAY:

Michael Sakurai Will, US Army Ft.
Jackson, stationed in Alaska
Luke Wilson, USCG Mohawk,
Key West
Jeff Teller, Afghanistan US Corps of
Engineers

RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS:

Ed Scarborough

GOOD SAM MOBILE PRAYER LIST:

Shorter Family
Rev. Mike Smith
Shelly Hack
James Warren
Diana
Bill Carrow
Darlene
Gier Cousins
Charlene
Martin Barton
Graciene Miranda



DEMONSTRATING CARE