



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, September 12, 2021



Welcome to Epworth!

Sunday Worship in-person & livestream
9:00 Contemporary & 11:00 Traditional

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*VISION: Explore Faith,
Embrace Community*

*MISSION: Inviting, Belonging,
Connecting, Caring*

All Means All

As a [Reconciling Ministries Network](#) congregation, we welcome all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity, to share their prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.



19285 Holland Glade Rd.
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Contemporary Worship Order

September 12, 2021

9:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

| | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Praise Song | <i>Emmanuel</i> |
| Welcome | Pastor Vicki |
| Song | <i>Burning In My Soul</i> |
| Children's Celebration | Pastor Vicki |

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

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| Song | <i>Our God</i> |
| Good News <i>Exodus 18:14-23</i> | Laurie Kuebler |
| Song | <i>Our God (cont.)</i> |
| We Pray for our Pastor | Laurie Kuebler |
| Sermon | Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith |
| <i>Community: Many-Gifted Collaborators: Never Alone</i> | |

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| Sharing Our Gifts online , by texting GIVE to 302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors | |
| Praise Offering | <i>God Who Stays, The</i> |
| Prayers of Response | Pastor Bo |
| The Lord's Prayer | UMH 895 |

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

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| Benediction | Pastor Vicki |
| Sending Forth | <i>What A Friend</i> |



Next Sunday: Community: Many-Gifted Collaborators: Fierce Friends
(Proverbs 17:17;18:24;27:10, 17)

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Traditional Worship Order

September 12, 2021

11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Welcome & Call to Worship Pastor Bo
Opening Hymn *Gather Us In*
Morning Prayer Pastor Bo
Response *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

Good News *Exodus 18:14-23* Lauren Stayton
Choir Anthem

All Things Work Together For Good

We Pray for our Pastor Lauren Stayton
Sermon Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Creativity and Spirituality: Creation

Response *Together We Serve*

Sharing Our Gifts [online](#), by texting GIVE to
302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors

Offertory *Generation To Generation*

Prayers of Response Pastor Bo

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Sending Forth *It Is Well With My Soul*

Benediction Pastor Vicki



Next Sunday: Community: Many-Gifted
Collaborators: Fierce Friends
(Proverbs 17:17;18:24;27:10, 17)

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Calendar & Announcements

SUNDAY, SEPT. 12

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship/[Livestream](#)
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship/[Livestream](#)
1:00 p.m. Food & Love To Go
6:30 p.m. [Hope Floats Livestream](#)

MONDAY, SEPT. 13

- 11:00 a.m. Bevan Buel Funeral/[Livestream](#)
7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry

TUESDAY, SEPT. 14

- 10a.m.- 12p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out
10:00 a.m. Housing mtg moved to Sept. 21
11:00 a.m. Bert Phillips Funeral/[Livestream](#)
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m. Trustees

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 15

- 5:30 p.m. Memorial Bells
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
7:30 p.m. SJC [Kol Nidre Service](#)

THURSDAY, SEPT. 16

- 10:00 a.m. SJC [Yom Kippur with Yizkor](#)
2p.m.—4p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out
6:00 p.m. SJC [Yom Kippur Service](#)
6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice

FRIDAY, SEPT. 17

- 2:00 p.m. Preschool Cook Out

SATURDAY, SEPT. 18

- 8:00 a.m. Cycle Breakwater Prayer on Wheels
10:00 a.m. [AIDS Walk Delaware](#) (Grove Park)

Chancel Flowers are loving memory of my husband Dick Harp by Clella Harp

Tech Team: Scott Button, Ben Carper, Bo Gordy-Stith, Gwen Osborne, Shaun Redick, Noah Ryan, Thomas Vyas

To serve as an Acolyte: contact Gwen Osborne gosborne@epworth.faith or 302-227-7743, x.108

See the latest [Newsletter](#)

COVID-19 Information

Face masks are required in worship and during the week at Epworth for everyone for safety.

State of Delaware [COVID-19 Testing Info](#)

State of Delaware [COVID-19 Vaccine Plan](#)

Church Offerings—Thank You!

You may contribute your offering at the door, [online](#), by texting Give to 302-488-0038, or by mailing your check to Epworth at 19285 Holland Glade Rd. Rehoboth Beach, DE, 19971.

Sunday School Starts Sept. 12

Sunday School will be starting on September 12! Classes will begin during the 9:00 a.m. service after the Children's Sermon. Children that are preschool age through 5th grade are welcome. We are also planning Rally Day events starting at 12:00 noon on the 12th outside by the Bayside Entrance. Everyone is welcome to help out or participate. Parents are asked to fill out a Sunday School form. If you want to do that before 9/12, you can find the forms at the WINGS table.

We give thanks for our wonderful teachers!

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| Esther Downes | Heather Mento |
| Kim Farrell | Linda Bender-Hilt |
| Mike Tyler | Kristin Weschler |
| Coles Marsh | Kim Whitmer |
| Jamie Forshey | Stephanie Jester-Kotch |
| Stacy Jester-Kotch | Brenda Baker |
| Cindy Holt | Donna Walton |

Fall Groups Launching this fall!

Find leaders and sign up sheets in the foyer/narthex after worship today. You can also find information about our variety of group opportunities [online](#).

Interested in Becoming a Member of the Epworth Church Family?

If you would like to become a member, please contact Mike Tyler at miketylerde@gmail.com. Our next class will be Saturday, 9/25 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. During the Belongings class, you will get to know our pastors in a small group setting, along with finding out about how Epworth reaches out to our community. You will be welcomed into membership as a part of our worship services. To find out more about Epworth, check out the Welcome section of our website.

Wednesday Zoom Group September Focus: Criminal Justice System

Did you know...

Racist ideas make people of color think less of themselves, which makes them more vulnerable to racist ideas. Racist ideas make White people think more of themselves, which further attracts them to racist ideas. (Kendi, Ibram X, *How to be an Antiracist*, One World Publishing, NY, 2019, Chapter 1). Find out more about our Wednesday Zoom group [here](#).

Hope Floats inaugural livestream Sept. 12

Join us on Epworth's YouTube Channel at 6:30 pm September 12 for special guest, [Michele A. Williams, PhD](#), and a conversation on Affordable Housing. (Sponsored by inviting All Ministry at Epworth and hosted by Bob Joynson and Pastor Bo).

AIDS Walk Delaware – September 18

AIDS Walk Delaware this year celebrates 35 years of supporting people with HIV/AIDS and providing free testing and education/prevention programs throughout our state. Epworth will again sponsor a team in the event, to be held the morning of Saturday, Sept. 18, starting at Grove Park. Contact team captain David Hagelin at dmhagelin@gmail.com or cell 614-270-7781 or Register/Donate [here](#).

Blood Drive at Epworth

The Delmarva Blood Bank is holding a blood drive at Epworth on Sunday, September 19, from 9 am to 1 pm in Fellowship Hall. Scheduled appointments can be made each Sunday before and after services at the Pastoral Care Desk in the Narthex or [online](#).

Volunteer Opportunities in our Food Ministry

Join the Epworth—Seaside—Beebe Team with delivering food to recently discharged Sussex County residents who are food disadvantaged. We deliver to Sussex County the 2nd Wednesday morning of each month with an approximate 4-5 hour commitment. For more information, contact Carol Woodcock at 302-668-7963 or email clwoodcock@comcast.net. We would love to have you join us.

Good Sam needs volunteers passionate about feeding the hungry. The job description is a 2 ½ to 3 hour commitment, with 15-30 minutes for set up and take down and 2 hours giving out food to people in need. The volunteer days are Sunday from 1-3 pm, Tuesday from 10 to noon and Thursday from 2-4 pm. All of it is supervised so no one is ever on their own and there are 3 team members per shift to help with the distribution. Contact David Streit at 240-207-2500 or david@commoditywx.com.

Community Quilting Bee

“Quilts of Love” is sponsoring a day of quilt-making on Saturday, 9/18, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at St. Jud’s Catholic Church in Lewes. Quilts are given to infants and children in Sussex County. Please join us for a day of fun and creativity. All materials provided. If you don’t know how to sew, we’ll show you. If you have a sewing machine, please bring it, along with a covered dish to share for lunch. We welcome the following donations: pure cotton fabrics and flannel, 100% cotton thread, low-loft batting. Due to hot irons and ext. cords, we ask that you don’t bring small children. For more info, call Jan at 302-287-9323.

September 12 Prayer List

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

Moni Albert
Hal Baker
Mary Ann Balcer-Cohen
Genny Barney
Beebe Hospital Staff
Melda Bengston
Paul Bengston
Karen Bengston
Bill Bernhart
Gavin Birl
Reese Bolton
Carol Boyd
Andy Brangenberg
Ella Breese
Al Brown
Jeannette Bonner
Stu Bruce
Judy Buchanan
Bob Buchmann
Margaret & Tom Cahall
Lynn Davis
Ben Dewberry
Lexi Duffy & Family
Emmalane Ewing
Elizabeth & David Feinman
Mike & Martin Figun
Karen Foery
Marion Ford
Bob Frame, Sr.
Fred Gentry
Sandy Godlewski
Susie Gorecki
Daryl Grimes
Andrea Harmer
Cecilia Hartman
Candice Highfield
Linda Hess & Family
Ray Hilt
Tyler Hudson
Wanda Hummel
Cindy Jenkins
Dee Keaney
David King
Barbara Kurtz
Paulette Lewandowski
Jay McDonnell
Martin Madron
Patrick Mahan
Jerry Mahon

Briana Massey
Chuck & Linda Massey
Nora Mastrippolito
Missy Mehring
Virgil Night
Sandy Paulen
Ron Paxton
Christina L. Payne
Peg Peet
Perry Psaros
Gary Ralph
Tahiry Rappo
Terry Raspberry
Bill Robbins
Barb Rowe
Dorothy & John Sadler
Fred & Sharyn Smith
George Smith
Hank Smith
Wave Starnes
Lillian Stellhorn
Noreen Strohmenger
Chris Tyler
Laura Unruh
Anne Valenti
Rosemarie Van Ingen
Vincent Vertassi
Nick Waldee-Warden
Ryan Walsh
Sharon Wert and Family
Dan Wine
Jan Cutler-Wolfe
Stephen Woodruff Family
Gloria Woodson
Diana Young

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

9/14—Dorothy & John Sadler
50+ years—CONGRATULATIONS!

SYMPATHIES



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
Rosemarie Van Ingen, Willowbrooke, Seaford

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

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.



Epworth Staff Directory

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Custodian: Wanda Hudson

Maintenance: Mike Harrigan

ASL Interpreter: Sandy Davis

Nursery: Cathy Crawford

Cemetery Superintendent: Jay Stevenson

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Epworth Ministry Organization



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Lead Pastor: Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith
Governing Board Chair—Linda Kauffman
Lay Leader—Mike Tyler
Finance Chairs—David Hagelin and David
Streit
Staff Parish Relations Committee Chair—
Monica Chmielewski
Chair of the Board of Trustees—Bunny
Maher

STRUCTURE:

Four Ministry Teams

Inviting Team

Inclusive Ministries, Food Ministries, Ecu-
menical/Interfaith, Social Justice
Leadership Team: Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith
and Bob Joynson

Belonging Team

Small Groups, Belongings, Sunday School,
All Age Level Groups
Leadership Team: Gwen Osborne and
Cathie Lewis

Connecting Team

Worship, Music, Conferences, Retreats
Leadership Team: Doug Yetter and Murray
Archibald

Caring Team

Good Sam, Missions, Pastoral Care Team,
Care Ministries
Leadership Team: Mickie McManamon

Attendance last weekend, Sept. 5, 2021

| 9:00 am | 11:00 am | Live stream | ASL | Total |
|---------|----------|----------------|-----|-------|
| 125 | 77 | 141 | 1 | 344 |

(as of 9/8)

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