



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, September 26, 2021

Gifted Collaborators

Burden
Bearing

Nehemiah
4:12-18

Sept. 26
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.
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

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Contemporary Worship Order

September 26, 2021

9:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Praise Song	<i>Love The Lord</i>
Welcome	Pastor Vicki
Song	<i>I Am</i>
Children's Celebration	Pastor Bo

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

Song	<i>Confidence</i>
Good News	<i>Nehemiah 4:12-18</i>
	Ginny Harbold
Song	<i>Confidence (cont.)</i>
We Pray for our Pastor	Ginny Harbold
Sermon	Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith
	<i>Community: Many-Gifted Collaborators: Burden Bearing</i>
Sharing Our Gifts	<i>online, by texting GIVE to 302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors</i>
	<i>Food and Love Celebration of Ministry</i>
Praise Offering	<i>The God Who Stays</i>
Prayers of Response	Pastor Bo
The Lord's Prayer	<i>(sung responsively)</i>

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Benediction	Pastor Vicki
Sending Forth	<i>My Redeemer Lives</i>



Next Sunday: Community: Many-Gifted
Collaborators: Two by Two
(Mark 6:6-13)

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Traditional Worship Order

September 26, 2021

11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Welcome & Call to Worship Pastor Vicki
Opening Hymn *Trust And Obey*
Morning Prayer Pastor Vicki
Response *Prayer Is The Soul's Sincere Desire*

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

For Baptism: Gianni Michael LaMotta, son of
Jordan LaMotta and Michael Higgins
Renunciation of Sin & Profession of Faith
Thanksgiving over the Water
*Commendation and Welcome
Response *Baptized In Water*

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

Good News *Nehemiah 4:12-18* Joyce Pool
Choir Anthem *Canticle Of Fellowship*
We Pray for our Pastor Joyce Pool
Sermon Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith
*Community: Many-Gifted Collaborators:
Burden Bearing*
Response *Blest Be The Tie That Binds*
Sharing Our Gifts online, by texting GIVE to
302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors
Food and Love Celebration of Ministry
Offertory *The Servant's Song*
Prayers of Response Pastor Bo
The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Sending Forth *Jesus, Lord, We Look To Thee*
Benediction Pastor Vicki



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Calendar & Announcements

SUNDAY, SEPT. 26

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

MONDAY, SEPT. 27

No Church Meetings

TUESDAY, SEPT. 28

10a.m.- 12p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
5:45 p.m. Meditation
6:00 p.m. Governing Board

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 29

5:30 p.m. Memorial Bells
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, SEPT. 30

2p.m.—4p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out
6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice

FRIDAY, OCT. 1

No Church Meetings

SATURDAY, OCT. 2

No Church Meetings

Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary, 7/17, by Andy & Linda D'Aloisio. (This was omitted from the 7/17 bulletin by accident. Our apologies)

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.

Celebrating 500 Sundays of Food and Love!

On Sunday, February 26, 2012, Penny MacLennan and Sylvia Walker launched a ministry dream of cooking food and serving love here at Epworth - a Sunday soup kitchen for our neighbors who are hungry—with the help of five

teams (which turned into six, a team from Seaside Jewish Community). This Sunday, we celebrate the 500th continuous Sunday of that dream come true, together with Penny, her six team leaders, and 200 volunteers, who have served 6427 meals this year to date. We served an average of 5500 meals pre-pandemic, and 7800 meals during the 2021 year of Pandemic shutdown (in to go boxes).

Sunday School Started Sept. 12

Sunday School started September 12! Classes will begin during the 9:00 a.m. service after the Children's Sermon. Children that are pre-school age through 5th grade are welcome. Parents are asked to fill out a Sunday School form.

Fall Groups Launching this fall!

We've launched a variety of groups for adults this fall at Epworth. You can also find information about our group opportunities [online](#).

Get Your Flu Shot Next Sunday—October 3

On Sunday, October 3, Beebe Healthcare is sponsoring a Flu Vaccination Clinic at Epworth UMC after the 9 am service and before the 11 am service in Fellowship Hall.

Blessing of the Animals—October 3, 2021

Our annual Blessing of the Animals service will be held on Sunday, October 3, at 1:30 p.m. The service will be held under the Bayside Portico, facing Royal Farms. All animals are welcome, but must be accompanied by their owners. There will be a memorial table to remember all the loving and caring animals that have enriched our lives. Bring a picture, candle or remembrance of your loving pet to place on the table during the service. If you would like to bring a bag or can of dog/cat food we will donate to our local shelter.

Peace Week Delaware

From October 2-10, 2021, peace-loving people across our state will celebrate [Peace Week Delaware](#)—a statewide series of events and actions raising awareness and hope for peace in our communities, nation, and world.

Wednesday Zoom Group September Focus: Criminal Justice System

Did you know...

In the United States White people live an average of 3.5 years longer than Black people. Black infants die at twice the rate of White infants. African-Americans are 25 percent more likely to die of cancer than Whites. Twice as many Black men die of prostatic cancer than White men. Breast cancer kills proportionately more Black women than White women. (Kendi, Ibram X, *How to be an Antiracist*, One World Publishing, NY, 2019, Chapter 1) Find out more about our Wednesday Zoom group [here](#).

Help Deliver Food once a month in our Partnership with Beebe Hospital

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 ministry has openings for 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.

Flower Deliverers Needed

The Flower Delivery Ministry is in need of volunteers to help deliver flower arrangements one Monday a month. These arrangements are created by our Flower Design Ministry every Sunday by repurposing the Chancel flowers. They are then delivered each Monday to members who are shut-ins, residents in care facilities or others who could use some flowers to brighten their days. If interested in delivering or to receive more information, please email Dee Speck at dspeck206@gmail.com or call/text at 302-853-2305. Thank you!

Sponsors for Chancel Flowers Needed

Since Epworth is opening up for in-person worship services, we are again able to offer the opportunity to sponsor Chancel Flowers in celebration or in memory of someone. Please contact Barbara Kurtz at 227-7743 x100 or bkurtz@epworth.faith

Food Ministry Distribution & Donations

Food is available to anybody with an emergency need for food—Drive-up/walk-up service at our Oceanside Entrance. Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Thursdays from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and Sundays from 1:00-3:00 p.m. with a hot meal from the Soup Kitchen. Food and monetary donations are accepted at the Bayside entrance (drive-up) under the steeple during these hours or on our Giving page, designating “Good Sam” on the comment line.

September 26 Prayer List

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

Moni Albert
Bill Bernhart
Beebe Hospital Staff
Melda Bengston
Paul Bengston
Carol Boyd
Andy Brangenberg
Ella Breese
Al Brown
Jeannette Bonner
Tim Bush
Emmalane Ewing
Karen Foery
Marion Ford
Fred Gentry
Joan Getsinger
Linda Hess & Family
Tyler Hudson
Bev Johnson
Barbara Kurtz
Patrick Mahan
Jerry Mahon
Briana Massey
Chuck & Linda Massey
Nora Mastrippolito
Virgil Night
Ron Paxton
Thom Pemberton
Gary Ralph
Terry Rasberry
Bill Robbins
Barb Rowe
Dorothy & John Sadler
Elle Sheaffer
Fred & Sharyn Smith
Wave Starnes
Lillian Stellhorn
Noreen Strohmenger
Laura Unruh
Anne Valenti
Nick Waldee-Warden
Dan Wine
Jan Cutler-Wolfe
Gloria Woodson
Diana Young

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

9/29—Tom & Claire Worrall
10/2—Carolyn & Jerry Strum

50+ years—CONGRATULATIONS!

SYMPATHIES

- ❖ To Melda & Paul Bengston, family & friends, on the death of their daughter-in-law, Karen, 9/12.

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.

SERVICEMEN/WOMEN IN HARMS WAY:

Michael Sakurai Will, US Army Ft. Jackson,
stationed in Alaska
Luke Wilson, USCG Mohawk, Key West
Jacob Hudson, Quantico
Andrew Hudson, UT ROTC

RED CROSS VOLUNTEERS:

Ed Scarborough

COLLEGE STUDENTS:

Autumn Reynolds, Cedar Crest College
Wade Stout, Hillsdale College
Alec Tamburello, DE College of Art & Design
Thomas Vyas, Delaware Tech

Gifted Collaborators Sept. 12 - Oct. 10

Never Alone
Fierce Friends
Burden Bearing
Two By Two
All Hands on Deck



Handprints of Community

EPWORTH
REHOBOTH BEACH
United Methodist Church
2021-22
Worship Year

Collaborative
Called
Messianic
Shalom-Sharing
Discipling
Corinthian
Hamiltonian
Kingdom-Building

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. 19, 2021

9:00	11:00	Live stream	ASL	SS	Total
115	84	96	2	17	297

(as of 9/20)

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