



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, September 5, 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.



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Contemporary Worship Order

September 5, 2021

9:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Praise Song	<i>Deep (Way Down)</i>
Welcome	Pastor Vicki
Song	<i>Alive & Breathing</i>
Children's Celebration	Pastor Vicki
Blessing of the Backpacks	
Song	<i>Jesus, We Lift Up This School Year</i>

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

Song		<i>Our God</i>
Good News	<i>Psalm 146</i>	Susan Jimenez
Song		<i>Our God (cont.)</i>
We Pray for our Preacher		Susan Jimenez
Sermon		Kristin Weschler
	<i>Creativity and Spirituality: Creation</i>	
Sharing Our Gifts	<i>online</i> , by texting GIVE to 302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors	
Praise Offering		<i>It Is Well</i>
Prayer of Confession		Pastor Bo
Words of Assurance		Pastor Vicki
The Great Thanksgiving		FWS 2257
The Lord's Prayer		UMH 895
Sharing the Bread and Cup		

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

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



Next Sunday: Community: Many-Gifted Collaborators
(Exodus 18:14-23)

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Traditional Worship Order

September 5, 2021

11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Welcome & Call to Worship Pastor Vicki
Opening Hymn

Praise The Lord! Sing Hallelujah!

Morning Prayer Pastor Bo
Response *This Is God's Wondrous World*

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

Good News *Psalm 146* David Streit
Choir Anthem

All Earth Rejoice With A Gladsome Voice

We Pray for our Preacher David Streit
Sermon Kristin Weschler

Creativity and Spirituality: Creation

Response *For The Fruits Of This Creation*
Sharing Our Gifts [online](#), by texting GIVE to

302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors

Offertory *God Is Great*

Prayer of Confession Pastor Bo

Words of Assurance Pastor Vicki

The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

Sharing the Bread and Cup

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Sending Forth *It Is Well With My Soul*
Benediction Pastor Vicki



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Calendar & Announcements

SUNDAY, SEPT. 5

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

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

MONDAY, SEPT. 6

HOLIDAY—OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, SEPT. 7

10a.m.- 12p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. SPRC

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 8

1:00 p.m. Card Making

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, SEPT. 9

2p.m.—4p.m.—Good Sam Food Take-Out

6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice

FRIDAY, SEPT. 10

7:00 p.m. CAMP Concert

SATURDAY, SEPT. 11

11:00 a.m. Dick Harp Celebration of Life

(visitation starts at 10:30 a.m.)

Chancel Flowers sponsored in loving memory of Barbara Forshey, Tita, wife, and best Mom ever.

All my love Jamie.

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

Acolyte: To become an acolyte, contact Gwen Osborne at gosborne@epworth.faith or call 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](#)

Thank You

The Rehoboth Elementary School expresses sincere thanks to all who contributed to this year's school supply drive. The large donation, both in actual supplies as well as monetary, will go a long way to enhancing the elementary school students learning experience. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

Church Offerings—Thank You!

Give at the door, [online](#), text Give to 302-488-0038, or mail your check to Epworth at 19285 Holland Glade Rd. Rehoboth Beach, DE, 19971.

FIRE (Faithfully Inviting and Reconciling Everyone) blessing of stoles today

Find out more about this group ministry at Epworth and purchase your stole in the Narthex/Lobby on the 1st Sunday of each month. Jeanie Marsh will be taking orders for Rainbow stoles and Ally stoles for delivery the following Communion Sunday. She may be reached at revpjmars@gmail.com or 410-446-0731. Donations for the stoles support FIRE ministries.

Wednesday Zoom Group September Focus: Criminal Justice System

Kick off is Sept. 8 watching live as Sister Helen Prejean addresses the PaxChristi Justice Speakers Series. [Register for free here](#) and find out more about our Wednesday Zoom group [here](#).

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. Watch for new adult groups! There will be information about a variety of groups to join on Rally Day too.

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 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](#).

Prayer Chapel—September 19

Our Stephen Ministers will offer a prayer chapel in the Baker Lounge and Nursery starting Sept. 19 and every third Sunday of the month after each service. Our Stephen Ministers will be present to guide you through prayers, pray with you or for you, or just listen to you.

The Invention of Miracles author Interview

Author of *The Invention of Miracles*, Katie Booth, will be interviewed by DE Assoc of Deaf President, Feta Fernsler on ZOOM, at 5 pm Sept. 23. Pre-registration required. Sponsored by Delaware Libraries, Delaware Association of the Deaf, Deaf Outreach, Inc. and Epworth United Methodist Church. Pre-register [here](#).

Join the Epworth Church Family

If you would like to become a member, please contact Mike Tyler at miketylerde@gmail.com. Our next Belongings class will be 9 am to 1 pm Saturday, September 25. Get to know our pastors in a small group setting and find out about how Epworth reaches out to our community. You will be welcomed into membership as a part of our worship services.

Free Flu Shots

On Sunday, October 3, Beebe Healthcare is sponsoring a Free Flue Vaccination Clinic at Epworth after the 9:00 a.m. service and before the 11:00 a.m. service in Fellowship Hall.

Volunteer at the [New Life Thrift Shop](#)

The New Life Thrift Shop is a major source of funding for the Lewes Rehoboth Association of Churches (LRAC), which gives 100% of proceeds back to the community. Find out more about volunteering [here](#).

New Volunteer Opportunity

Join the Epworth—Seaside—Beebe Team with delivering food to recently discharged Sussex County residents who are food disadvantaged. the 2nd Wednesday morning of each month with an approximate 4-5 hour commitment. Contact Carol Woodcock at 302-668-7963 or email clwoodcock@comcast.net.

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. 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 5 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

Herb Dempsey

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

Wanda Handy

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

Mickie McManamon

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
Bill Robbins
Barb Rowe
Dorothy & John Sadler
Fred & Sharyn Smith
George Smith
Hank Smith
Wave Starnes
Lillian Stellhorn
Noreen Strohmer
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

9/6—Nettie & Sterling Green
9/11—Wendy & Al Herman
50+ years—CONGRATULATIONS!

SYMPATHIES

- ❖ To the Family & Friends of Paula Simpson who passed away Sunday, 8/29;
- ❖ To Carolyn Robinson, family & friends, on the death of her husband, Tee, 8/27.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

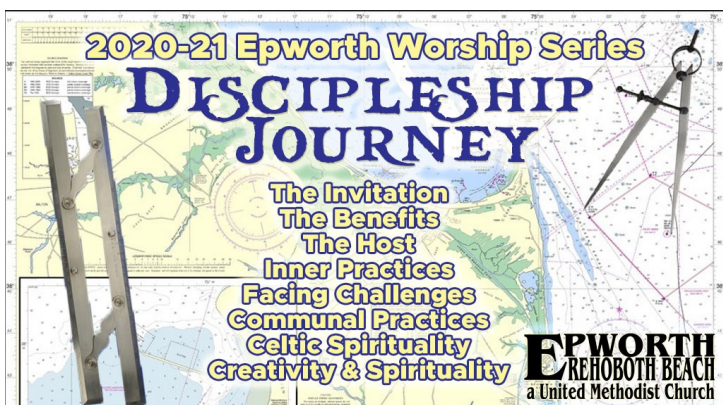
HOMEBOUND, HOSPICE OR LONG TERM CARE

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.



Epworth Staff Directory

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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, Aug. 29, 2021

9:00 am	11:00 am	Live stream	ASL	Total
126	62	122	2	332

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