



Sunday, October 31, 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

October 31, 2021 9:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Praise Song	<i>Greater</i>
Welcome	Pastor Vicki
Song	<i>Grace Wins</i>
Children's Celebration	Pastor Vicki

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

Song	<i>Desert Song</i>
Good News	<i>Jeremiah 1:4-10</i>
Song	<i>Desert Song (cont.)</i>
We Pray for our Pastor	Linda Bruce
Sermon	Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

*Everyone Called to Community:
Called and Consecrated*

Sharing Our Gifts	online , by texting GIVE to 302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors
Praise Offering	<i>The Way (New Horizon)</i>
Prayers of Response	Pastor Vicki
The Lord's Prayer	<i>(sung responsively)</i>

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Benediction	Pastor Bo
Sending Song	<i>All The People Said Amen</i>

Called to Community
Oct. 17 - Nov. 21

Called to Encourage
Called to Commitment
Called & Consecrated
Called and Blessed
Called By One
Who Knows Us
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Handprints
of Community
EPWORTH
REHOBOTH BEACH
United Methodist Church

Next Sunday: Everyone Called to
Community:: Called to Bear Love
(Luke 1:26-38)

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Traditional Worship Order

October 31, 2021 11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

Welcome & Call to Worship Pastor Vicki
Opening Hymn *Womb of Life*
Morning Prayer Pastor Vicki
Response *You Are Mine*

WE ENGAGE THE WORD

Good News *Jeremiah 1:4-10* Nettie Green
Choir Anthem *Go Out And Tell*
We Pray for our Pastor Nettie Green
Sermon Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith
*Everyone Called to Community:
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Sermon Response *Standing On The Promises*
Sharing Our Gifts [online](#), by texting GIVE to
302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors
Offertory *Rain Down On Me*

WE RESPOND TO THE WORLD

Prayers of Response Pastor Vicki
The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Sending Forth *How Firm A Foundation*
Benediction Pastor Bo



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Calendar & Announcements

SUNDAY, OCT. 31

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

MONDAY, NOV. 1

No Church Meetings

TUESDAY, NOV. 2

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

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3

5:30 p.m. Memorial Bells
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
7:00 p.m. Zoom Mtg. [Finding Your Place](#)

THURSDAY, NOV. 4

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

FRIDAY, NOV. 5

No Church Meetings

SATURDAY, NOV. 6

No Church Meetings

Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and sponsored by Epworth.

Tech Team: Scott Button, Bo Gordy-Stith, Kayden Holt, 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](#)

Check out our [Adult Groups this fall](#).

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.

[Wed. Zoom Group](#) Oct. Focus: Find Your Place

We'll get to hear from ministry leaders each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. focusing on a different area of ministry involvement at Epworth: Inviting, Caring, Connecting, and Belonging.

Meditation Classes

Meditation classes will continue from 5:45-6:15 Tuesday evenings in the sanctuary all through November. Doors are open at 5:30 and we start promptly at 5:45.

Epworth's Church calendar is back online

after a complete overhaul. Debbie Hunt, our event scheduler, has been working hard to transfer a wealth of information from our old software. Many thanks to Lee Ann Walling for consulting with us to find a solution that has the potential to become an organizing hub for church information. [Take a look](#) and let us know what you think!

Card Making Ministry

The Card Making Ministry meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month for fellowship and to create handmade cards and bookmarks that are available for the taking in the narthex. They are in a box on the shelf under the bulletin board to the left of the WINGS Table. This ministry welcomes anyone who would like to join them. Please contact Dee Speck at dspeck206@gmail.com for more information.

Update on Barb Kurtz

Barbara's surgery went quite well; however, she really needs time to rest and recover. **Therefore, we are requesting you send cards in lieu of calling.** You can send her card to the church at 19285 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 or to her current address at 24313 Zinfandel Lane, Bldg. 19, Unit 104, Lewes, DE 19958. Thanks for your thoughtfulness.

Your Neighbor's Faith Returns

We will be starting up the second session of our monthly Your Neighbor's Faith program in November. This 2nd session will meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. on [Zoom](#).

The schedule is:

- Thurs., 11/11—Rabbi Beth Cohen, The Importance of Blessings;
- Thurs., 12/9—Rev. Marjorie Belmont-Burns, "Go-To" Prayers;
- Thurs., 1/13—Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith, TBD.

[Register](#) to receive a reminder and the [zoom link](#).

Adopt-A-Highway

We have one more clean-up before the end of the year. I hope you can join us. Epworth UMC is responsible for Holland Glade Road and we will be doing our last clean-up of 2021 on Saturday, 11/13, starting at 10:00 a.m. As always, I would like to have our youth participate. Each child must be over the age of 12 and have a

sign parental permission slip to attend. Adults are encouraged to participate as well and will be required to sign a release form. Trach bags, gloves and safety vests will be provided. Please bring your mask and practice COVID manners. It usually takes 1-2 hours to complete the clean-up. If you have any questions, please contact Teri Moore at 302-249-8786 or wildjammer@outlook.com. We had a good turnout in the summer as we try to get back to the new normal. Hope to see you there.

Our new Bishop LaTrelle Miller Easterling

held a town hall on August 31 outlining what we can expect from our affiliation with the Baltimore Washington Annual Conference, effective September 1, 2021. Follow this [link](#) to meet our new Bishop virtually

Opportunities to Serve at Epworth

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.

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

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!

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 Bay-side entrance (drive-up) under the steeple during these hours or on our Giving page, designating “Good Sam” on the comment line.

The Crucial Role of Caregiving

One of the most important jobs God calls us to is caregiving: loving others in God’s name. Our congregation’s Stephen Ministry is one way we accomplish God’s caring work. If you’re at a place where you feel ready to serve and bless others in this way, explore the possibility of Stephen Ministry by contacting the church office today to find out more about this ministry. A training class will be offered in 2022.

October 31 Prayer List

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

Beebe Hospital Staff
Bill Bernhart
Gene Belli
Melda Bengston
Paul Bengston
Jeannette Bonner
Andy Brangenberg
Ella Breese
Al Brown
Barb Butta
Andy D'Aloisio
Ben Dewberry
Max Dick
Sylvie Drew
Karen Foery
Marion Ford
Fred Gentry
Sandi Godlewski
Clella Harp
Chuck Hartsock
Linda Hess & Family
Tyler Hudson
Greg Imhof
Barbara Kurtz
Liz Lakowski
Jeff Leach
Patrick Mahan
Loretta Mahan
Jerry Mahon
Jeannie Marsh
Briana Massey
Chuck & Linda Massey
Nora Mastrippolito
Ruth Meell
Mary Moore
Virgil Night
Ron Paxton
Thom Pemberton
Gary Ralph
Carol Rein
Carolyn Robinson
Bill Robbins
Barb Rowe
Dorothy & John Sadler
Elle Sheaffer
Evie Simmons
Fred & Sharyn Smith
Lillian Stellhorn
Noreen Strohmenger

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Anne Valenti
Nick Waldee-Warden
Brenda Whealton
Lynne Wilmer
Dan Wine
Jan Cutler-Wolfe
Gloria Woodson
Willis James Wright, III

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

50+ years—CONGRATULATIONS!

SYMPATHIES

- ❖ To the Family & Friends of Keith Boudine who passed away last week.

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

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

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2021-22
Worship Year

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

Epworth Staff Directory

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Custodian: Wanda Hudson

ASL Interpreter: Sandy Davis

Nursery: Cathy Crawford

Cemetery Superintendent: Jay Stevenson

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
Loretta Mahan

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,
Dee Speck and Holly Reynolds

Attendance last weekend, Oct. 24, 2021

9:00	11:00	Live stream	ASL	SS	Total
139	84	140	2	5	370

(as of 10/26)

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