



# EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, October 30, 2022  
21st Sunday after Pentecost

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**Welcome to Epworth!**

Sunday Worship in-person & livestream

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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 30, 2022 9:00 a.m.

20th Sunday after Pentecost

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## WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

**Song** *Blessed Be Your Name*  
**Welcome** Pastor Vicki  
**Song** *Pray*  
**Children's Celebration** Pastor Bo

## WE ENGAGE THE WORD

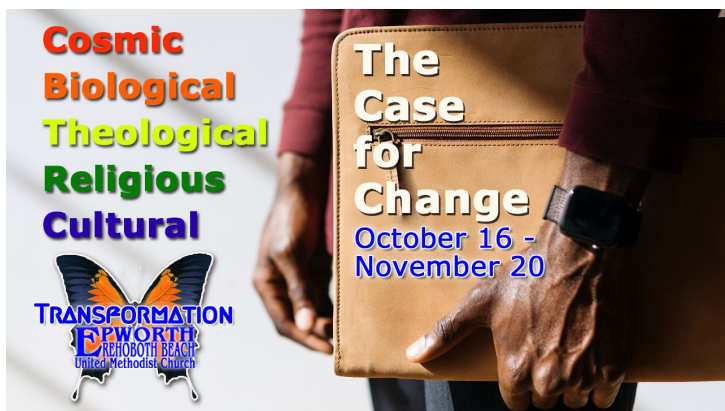
**Song** *Days Of Elijah*  
**Good News** *Leviticus 25:1-7* John Gauger  
**Song** *Days Of Elijah (cont.)*  
**We Pray for our Pastor** John Gauger  
**Sermon** Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith  
*The Case for Change:  
Biological*

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

**Sharing Our Gifts** [online](#), by texting GIVE to  
302-488-0038, or in boxes at the main doors  
**Offertory** *Desert Song*  
**Prayers of Response** Pastor Bo  
**The Lord's Prayer**

## WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

**Benediction** Pastor Vicki  
**Song** *What A Friend*



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## Next Sunday: All Saint's Sunday

The Case for Change:

Theological: Catastrophic change can heal our blindness and enable us to understand God in ways that transcend self-interest.  
(Isaiah 2:2-4)

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# Traditional Worship Order

October 30, 2022 11:00 a.m.

21st Sunday after Pentecost

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## WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

**Welcome & Call to Worship** Pastor Vicki

**Hymn** *Come! Come! Everybody Worship*

**Morning Prayer**

**Response** *Our Creator Now Is Present*

## WE ENGAGE THE WORD

**Good News** *Leviticus 25:1-7* John Gauger

**Anthem** *Come to Me* Chancel Choir

**We Pray for our Pastor** John Gauger

**Sermon** Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

*The Case for Change:  
Biological*

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

**Response** *Creator God, You Made The Earth*

**Sharing Our Gifts** [online](#), by texting GIVE to  
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**Offertory** *Ain't Got Time To Die*

Chancel Choir....Miles Slatcher, soloist

**Prayers of Response** Pastor Bo

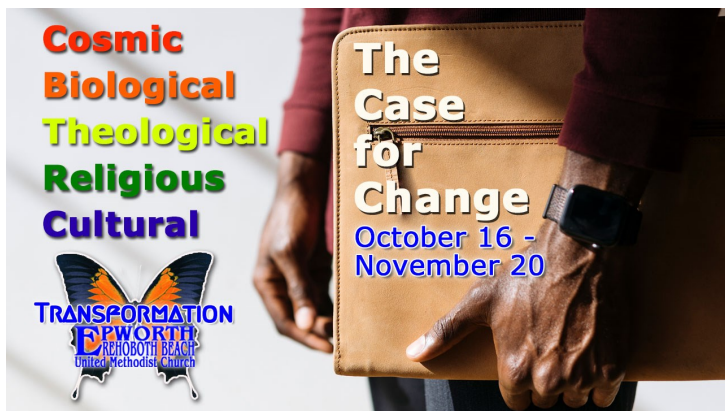
**The Lord's Prayer**

## WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

**Sending** *O Day of Rest and Gladness*

**Benediction** Pastor Vicki

**Postlude** Doug Yetter, organ



**Next Sunday: All Saint's Sunday**

**The Case for Change:**

Theological: Catastrophic change can heal our blindness and enable us to understand God in ways that transcend self-interest.

(Isaiah 2:2-4)

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## *Calendar & Announcements*

### **SUNDAY, OCT. 30**

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School
- 10:15 a.m. Youth Group
- 10:30 a.m. Prayer Chapel
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Prayer Chapel
- 1:00 p.m. Food & Love To Go
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Halloween Party

### **MONDAY, OCT. 31**

- 10:00 a.m. Flower Delivery

### **TUESDAY, NOV. 1**

- 10:00 a.m.-12 p.m. Good Sam Mobile Pantry
- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. SPRC
- 7:00 p.m. [Zoom Group](#)

### **WEDNESDAY, NOV. 2**

- 10:00 a.m. Companions in Christ
- 10:00 a.m. Christmas Joy
- 5:30 p.m. Memorial Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Who We Are Bible Study ([Zoom](#))
- 6:30 p.m. 12 Most Important Chapters-[Zoom](#)
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. ManKind Project

### **THURSDAY, NOV. 3**

- 2-4 p.m. Good Sam Food Take-Out
- 6:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice

### **FRIDAY, NOV. 4**

No Church Meetings

### **SATURDAY, NOV. 5**

No Church Meetings

## *Announcements*

- **Chancel Flowers** are given to the glory of God and sponsored in loving memory of Mike Fehrenbach's son, Chase Fehrenbach.
- **Tech Team:** Bo Gordy-Stith, Kayden Holt, Shaun Redick, Noah Ryan, and Thomas Vyas
- **To serve as an Acolyte:** contact [Gwen Osborne](#) or 302-227-7743 X108
- Epworth COVID-19 Safety Protocol  
Face masks are optional and recommended  
State of Delaware [COVID-19 Testing Info](#)
- 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.

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## *Announcements*

- **Contribute to the [UMCOR relief efforts](#) for the hurricane victims in Florida** - indicate "Florida" in your check memo, on an envelope, or in the "Other" note option [online](#)
- **Youth Group meets at 10:15 in the recently renovated Youth Room** (near the Oceanside entrance - second doorway on the right). Contact [Joy Gordy-Stith](#) or [Tom Lewis](#) for more info
- See [Pastor Vicki's Town Meeting](#) from last Sunday, Oct. 23 during which she announced that our pastors' will perform same-sex weddings at Epworth and that we will offer one blended worship experience live and online Sundays at 10 am starting Nov. 27

**Adult Groups this fall** (email the leader if you're interested):

- [Companions in Christ](#) - Women's Study Group - ([Rev. Barbara Hoffman](#)) - Wednesdays, 10 am, starting Sep. 28
  - Chair Yoga is Back! Tuesdays at 8:54 in the parking lot
  - [Who Are We?](#) ([Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith](#) and Rev. Marjorie Belmont-Burns) - Wednesdays, 6-7 pm, starting Oct. 5 ([Zoom](#))
  - [The 12 Most Important Chapters in the Bible \(Part 1\)](#) - ([Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith](#)) - Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm, starting Oct. 12 ([Zoom](#))
  - [Mankind Project I](#) - men's group ([Rick Buske](#)) - 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7-9 pm, starting October 19
  - [Living the Questions](#) (Bishop Susan Morrison and [Nettie Green](#)) - Mondays, 6:45-8:30, starting Nov. 7 (sign-up in the foyer)
  - **Join our [Tuesday Zoom group](#) at 7 PM**
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- Miss Bishop Easterling's **Setting the Record Straight** Town Hall meeting? [See the recording here](#)
  - As **election day nears**, you may want to generate your own **non-partisan voter guide** at [Vote411](#), sponsored by the League of Women Voters Education Fund.
  - Beebe [community volunteer appreciation bonfire](#) - Oct. 25
  - **Interested in joining Epworth?** We will host our next Belongings new member orientation experience on **Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022** at Epworth in the Branford Lounge from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Contact our Lay Leader, [Mike Tyler](#)
  - [Speaking Freely: LGBTQ+ Expression in Schools](#), sponsored by the ACLU, will be held in person and on Zoom on **Nov. 1 at 5 pm**
  - **Pastor Vicki will lead our delegation at the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference Nov. 2-4.** The meeting will be live-streamed. A link to

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that meeting will be provided on the NEJ website at [nejumc.org](http://nejumc.org)

- Join us for [All Saints Sunday – Nov. 6](#)
- The next **Your Neighbors Faith** interfaith Zoom gathering is **Nov. 10: Reverend Marjorie Belmont-Burns “The Peace and Joy of Forgiveness.”** [Register here](#) if you have not previously registered
- Our year-end [Adopt-a-Highway cleaning is Sat. Nov. 12](#)
- [UUSD](#) is hosting a [seminar on Energy Efficiencies for Houses of Faith](#) – Thursday, November 14 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm
- Interested in an unforgettable **trip to Israel and Egypt in October, 2023?** Murray Archibald and David Garret will hold a full presentation on the trip for **Tuesday, November 16 at 3 pm**
- FIRE Friends: please mark Sunday, **November 13 at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary** as our new movie night to view "[Pray Away](#)." It is a very well-done documentary on conversion therapy
- [Curative Covid Testing continues at Epworth in November](#)
- This week's [food donation focus for our Good Sam Mobile Pantry: Condiments \(mayonnaise/ketchup\)](#) (Bayside Entrance, Sunday (1-3p), Tuesday (10-noon), and Thursday (2-4p))
- [Volunteer Opportunities](#) - our [New Life Thrift Store](#) needs you to help generate funds that help our neighbors in need through [LRAC \(Lewes Rehoboth Association of Churches\) ministries](#)
- Our [September-October-November Moments Matter Church newsletter](#) edition is available
- We offer the opportunity to **sponsor/dedicate chancel flowers in celebration or in memory of someone during worship** - call Barbara Kurtz at the church office [302-227-7743](tel:302-227-7743)
- Check out our [Epworth Preschool Website](#)  
Epworth Preschool is celebrating its 35th year!

*Masks are recommended in our facilities*

*We offer two worship experiences each Sunday, a contemporary worship service at 9 am (with [ASL interpretation](#)), and a traditional worship service at 11. Find livestreams on [YouTube](#) & [Facebook](#)*

*Enjoy Coffee, Snacks, & Fellowship in the foyer between our 9 and 11 am worship services*

[Pray with a Stephen Minister](#) after worship

*Our WINGS Table is a great place to discover groups at Epworth that might be a great fit for your interests and experience. Stop by to find out more.*

# October 30 Prayer List

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

Flood Victims  
The People of Ukraine  
Deaf People of Ukraine  
Benjamin Aiken  
Cody Arbuthnot & Family  
Murray Archibald  
Debbie Badro  
Will Baker  
Beebe Hospital Staff  
Ariel Ben-Chrit  
Wiletta Blevins  
Pam Bookman  
Andy Brangenberg  
Ella Breese  
Scott Button  
Dondeena Caldwell  
Hank Cerell  
John Ciloni  
Maddie Drew  
Sylvie Drew  
Sherry Drexel  
Hannah Edwards  
Israel Eleager  
*Christopher English*  
Dottie Fedorka  
Susan Anderson Fermaint  
Bob Fetner  
Mary Anne Fleetwood  
Marion Ford  
Jamie Forshey  
Diane Frady  
Carolyn Furrow  
George Cagne  
Marco Goodwin  
Gina Giusto  
Janet Capitan (Greenawalt), Hospice  
Andre Harmer  
*Clella Harp*  
Gene Harris  
Brian Higgins  
Ray Hilt  
Sherrie Horton  
Preston Hulse  
Lisa Hutchinson  
Diane Ibahim  
Sue Isaacs  
Elizabeth Barker Jarvis  
Jeff Johnson  
Sondra Leef  
Edna Leminska

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Loretta Mahan  
Jerry Mahon  
Jeannie Marsh  
*Barbara Martin*  
Nan Martino  
Kayla McCauly  
*Faith Moyer*  
Linda Miller  
Ed Newman  
Donna Pagano  
Carrie Paluch  
Frank Pandolfino  
Ann Paulen  
Sandy Pierce  
Alicia Popham  
*George Psaros*  
Lisa Rahman  
LeRoy Reed, Sr.  
Robin Reminen  
Charlie Reynolds  
Denise Rhone  
Judy Riech  
Beth Rinker  
Brenson Rogers  
Dorothy & John Sadler  
Doug Saunders  
Dawn Selby  
Ray Shaffer  
Dianne Shearon  
Mary Ann Shill  
Ann Smith  
Fred & Sharyn Smith  
Ray Sonderfan  
Pat Thomas  
Barb Thompson  
Mary Valenti-Bloom  
*Will Van Axen*  
Weiler Family  
Doris Walsh  
Sharon Wert  
Sean Whalen  
Courtney Williams  
Michael Wills, Sr.  
Chuck Wilson  
Carol Wine  
Dan Wine  
Allen Wenker  
Susan White  
Claire Worrall  
Kaleigh Wright  
Jean Young  
Wayne Young



## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

11/3—Joan & Wally Sprague

50+ years—CONGRATULATIONS!

## **SYMPATHIES**



## **CONTINUED PRAYERS**

### **HOMEBOUND, HOSPICE OR LONG TERM CARE**

Donna Bloomquist, The Moorings

Ann Chambers, The Moorings

Michael Cockey, Brandywine

Leon Cromer, Harbor Health +

Carolyn Robinson, Brandywine

Linda Rooney

Barb Rowe, Renaissance

Quinn Smith

Rosemarie Van Ingen, Willowbrooke, Seaford

### **SERVICEMEN/WOMEN:**

Michael Sakurai Wills, US Army Ft. Jackson,  
stationed in Alaska

Zeb Wilson, Travis AFB

Luke Wilson, USCG Key West

Jacob Hudson, Quantico

Andrew Hudson, UT ROTC

### **COLLEGE STUDENTS:**

Autumn Reynolds, Cedar Crest College

## **Epworth Staff Directory**

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**Youth Coordinator:** Joy Gordy-Stith

**Facilities Manager :** John Hilt

**Custodian:** Wanda Hudson

**ASL Interpreter:** Sandy Davis

**Nursery:** Cathy Crawford

**Cemetery Superintendent:** Jay Stevenson

# Epworth Ministry Organization



***VISION: Explore Faith,  
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***MISSION: Inviting, Belonging,  
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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—  
Jack Palmer  
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, Loretta  
Mahan, Cathie Lewis and Teri Moore

### **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. 23, 2022**

9:00	11:00	Live stream	ASL	SS	Total
110	90	285	3	11	499

(as of 10/25)

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