

Sunday, July 9, 2023 6th Sunday after Pentecost





Welcome to Epworth Worship Sunday 10 am in-person and online

10 am <u>Blended Worship Order</u> <u>Calendar</u> & <u>Announcements</u> <u>Prayer List</u> Staff & Leadership

<u>VISION</u>: Explore Faith, Embrace Community <u>MISSION</u>: Inviting, Belonging, Connecting, Caring

All Means All

As a <u>Reconciling Ministries Network</u> 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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July 9, 2023 10:00 a.m. Unified Worship 6th Sunday after Pentecost (Year A)

We Gather in Worship Doug Yetter, organ

BECAUSE HE LIVES, AMEN

Praise Team / Chancel Choir William & Gloria Gaither, Daniel Carson, Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Matt Maher, & Jason Ingram ©2014 Hanna Street Music

I believe in the Son, I believe in the Risen One. I believe I overcome by the power of His love.

Amen! Amen! I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives. Amen! Amen! Let my song join the one that never ends, because He lives.

I was dead in the grave, I was covered in sin and shame. I heard mercy call my name. He rolled the stone away. *Amen! Amen! I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives. Amen! Amen! Let my song join the one that never ends,* Because He lives, I can face tomorrow.

Because He lives, ev'ry fear is gone. I know He holds my life, my future in His hands. *Amen! Amen!* I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives. *Amen! Amen!* Let my song join the one that never ends, *Amen! Amen!* I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives. *Amen! Amen!* Let my song join the one that never ends, because He lives. Because He lives.

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

SAME POWER

Praise Team / Chancel Choir Jeremy Camp & Jason Ingram ©2015 Only In You Publishing I can see the waters raging at my feet. I can feel the breath of those surrounding me. I can hear the sound of nations rising up. We will not be overtaken, we will not be overcome. I can walk down this dark and painful road. I can face ev'ry fear of the unknown.

I can hear all God's children singing out.

We will not be overtaken,

we will not be overcome.

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave, The same power that commands *the dead to wake lives in us, lives in us. The same power that moves mountains when He speaks,*

The same power that can calm a raging sea lives in us, lives in us. He lives in us, lives in us.

We have hope that His promises are true. In His strength, there is nothing we can't do. Yes, we know there are greater things in store. We will not be overtaken, we will not be overcome. {Repeat Chorus}

Greater is He that is living in me; He's conquered our enemy. No power of darkness, no weapon prevails; We stand here in victory, oh. Greater is He that is living in me; He's conquered our enemy. No power of darkness, no weapon prevails; we stand here in victory, oh, in victory. Yeah! *{Repeat Chorus}*

TAG: He lives in us.

Kid's Time

Pastor Bo

Thine Be the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded graveclothes where the body lay. *Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.*

Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb; lovingly He greets thee, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness

hymns of triumph sing, for our Lord now liveth; death has lost its sting. {Repeat Chorus} No more we doubt Thee,

glorious Prince of life!

Life is naught without Thee; aid us in our strife.

Make us more than conquerors,

through Thy deathless love;

bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above. {Repeat Chorus}

Prayers of Response Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

<u>The Lord's Prayer</u> – Sung Responsively

Gospel Lesson

John 20:1-2, 11-18 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So, she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?"

She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him."

When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?"

Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher).

Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."

Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

May this scripture inspire us all...

to walk in the way that leads to life.

IN CHRIST ALONE

Chancel Choir

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend ©2002 In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song. This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease My Comforter, my All in All. Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh. Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save

When on that cross as Jesus died the sting of death was then defied. For every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay

light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day up from the grave He rose again. And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am His and He is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand. 'til He returns or calls me home. Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Prayer

Rob Linder

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

Sharing Our Gifts

Goodness of God

Praise Team / Chancel Choir Jenn Johnson, Brian Johnson, Jason Ingram, Ed Cash, & Ben Fielding ©2019 Shout Music Publishing

I love you, Lord. Oh, Your mercy never fails me. All my days I've been held in Your hands. From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head – oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

And all my life You have been faithful. And all my life You have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able, oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire.

And in the darkest nights You are close like no other.

I've known You as a father,

I've known You as a friend.

And I have lived in the goodness of God.

And all my life You have been faithful. And all my life You have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able, oh, I will sing of the goodness of God. Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

THE WAY (NEW HORIZON)

Praise Team / Chancel Choir Daniel Bashta, Ben Smith, & Pat Barrett ©2018 Capitol CMG Genesis (ASCAP) Through every battle, through every heartbreak, through every circumstance, I believe that You are my fortress. Oh, You are my portion.

You are my hiding place,

I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life. I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life.

I believe thru every blessing, thru every promise,

through every breath I take,

I believe that You are provider. You are protector. You are the one I love.

I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life. I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life. I believe You are. (interlude)

It's a new horizon, and I'm set on You. And You meet me here today with mercies that are new. All my fears and doubts, they can all come, too, because they can't stay long when I'm here with You.

It's a new horizon, and I'm set on You.

And You meet me here today

with mercies that are new.

All my fears and doubts, they can all come, too, because they can't stay long when

I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life. I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life. I believe You are.

It's a new horizon, and I'm set on You. And You meet me here today with mercies that are new. All my fears and doubts, they can all come, too, because they can't stay long when *I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life.*

I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life.

I believe You are.

I believe You are the Way, the Truth, the Life.

I believe You are.

Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of July 9, 2023

SYMPATHY:

To Ed Scarborough, family and friends, death of Ed's sister, Brenda Whealton last week.

CONCERNS:

To the victims of the weather outbreaks across the US The People of Ukraine Deaf People of Ukraine Beebe Hospital Staff Cody Arbuthnot David Bendekovits Cathy Benson Brad Bingaman Diaz Bonville Pam Bookman Andy Brangenberg Rev. Dr. Bill Brown & Family David Caffier Sylvie Drew Maria Erb Andrea Esarey Dorothy Fedorka Darlene Ford Marion Ford Tom Groff Steve Harp Gene Harris Carmela Heelan Barb Henriksen Ray Hilt Mickey Hoffman Carolyn Horn Deb Hunt Ted Kerwin Chole Kincaid Krean Nancy Lathbury Carolyn Laurenzo David & Sue Laverty Lorretta Mahan Jerry Mahon Ryan Martin Brenda Milbourne Steve O'Donnell Ann Paulen Bob Paulen Ron Paxton John Riley Spillane Charlie Reynolds Carl Richards Betty Robbins Sandy Roca Caitlyn Roche

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<u>Continued Prayers for those in Assisted Living, Homebound, Hospice or in Long Term Care</u> Donna Blomquist, The Moorings Ann Chambers, The Moorings Leon Cromer, Harbor Health Carolyn Robinson-Brandywine Linda Rooney Barb Rowe, Renaissance Quinn Smith Elaine Trexler

Servicemen/Women:

Michael Sakurai Wills, US Army Ft. Jackson, Alaska Hailye Wilson, USCG Key West Luke Wilson, USCG Key West Zeb Wilson, Travis AFB Jacob Hudson, Quantico Andrew Hudson, UT ROTC

<u>Students away from home</u> Autumn Reynolds-Cedar Crest College Kristina Alexander, UD Cole Thomas Juliano, Wade Stout-Alex Tamburello, Delaware College of Art and Design Thomas Vyas, Delaware Tech



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10:00	Live stream	ASL	SS	Total
225	504	14	17	760
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