



# EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, November 5, 2023

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Planning the  
Garden of Life



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

10 am [Blended Worship Order](#)  
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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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## Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Chris Tomlin & Louie Giglio ©2006 WorshipTogether.com  
Praise Team / Chancel Choir

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost but now I'm found,  
was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
and grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear,  
the hour I first believed.

*My chains are gone, I've been set free.  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns,  
unending love, amazing grace.*

The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be,  
as long as life endures.

*{Repeat Chorus twice}*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,  
the sun forbear to shine.  
But God, who called me here below,  
will be forever mine, will be forever mine.  
You are forever mine.

## Come to the Table

Ben Glover, Ben McDonald & Dave Frey ©2015 9Tone  
Songs

Praise Team / Chancel Choir

We all start on the outside,  
the outside looking in.  
This is where grace begins.  
We were hungry, we were thirsty,  
with nothing left to give.  
Oh, the shape that we were in.  
And just when all hope seemed lost,  
Love opened the door for us. He said:  
*Come to the table.  
Come join the sinners  
who have been redeemed.  
Take your place beside the Savior.  
Sit down and be set free.  
Come to the table.*

Come meet this motley crew of mis-  
fits,  
these liars and these thieves;  
There's no one unwelcome here.  
And that sin and shame  
that you brought with you,  
you can leave it at the door  
and let mercy draw you near.

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*So, come to the table.  
Come join the sinners  
who have been redeemed.  
Take your place beside the Savior.  
Sit down and be set free.  
Come to the table. Come to the table.*

To the thief and to the doubter,  
to the hero and the coward,  
to the pris'ner and the soldier,  
to the young and to the older,  
all who hunger all who thirst,  
all the last and all the first,  
all the paupers and the princes,  
all who fail, you've been forgiven,  
all who dream and all who suffer,  
all who loved and lost another,  
all the chained and all the free,  
all who follow, all who lead,  
anyone who's been let down,  
all the lost, you have been found,  
all who've been labeled right or  
wrong,

to ev'ryone who hears this song:

*Come to the table.  
Come join the sinners;  
you have been redeemed.  
Take your place beside the Savior.  
Sit down and be set free.  
Sit down and be set free.  
Come to the table, come to the table.  
Sit down and be set free. Come to the ta-  
ble.*

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

### For All the Saints

William Walsham How / Ralph Vaughn Williams - arranged by Betty  
Garec  
Chancel Choir / Bell Choir

For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world con-  
fessed,  
Thy name O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds,  
from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl  
streams in the countless host,  
Singing to God, to Christ, and Holy Ghost,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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# Litany of the Saints

## Kid's Time

### - Announcements -

#### Scars in Heaven

Matthew West & Mark Hall

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Praise Team

If I had only known the last time  
would be the last time  
I would have put off all the things I had to do.  
I would have stayed a little longer,  
held on a little tighter,  
now what I'd give for one more day with you.

'Cause there's a wound here in my heart  
where something's missing,  
and they tell me that it's gonna heal with time.  
But I know you're in a place  
where all your wounds have been erased,  
and knowing yours are healed is healing mine.

*The only scars in Heaven,  
they won't belong to me and you.  
There'll be no such thing as broken  
and all the old will be made new.  
And the thought that makes me smile now  
even as the tears fall down,  
is the only scars in Heaven  
are on the hands that hold you now.*

I know the road you walked was anything but  
easy.

You picked up your share of scars along the way.  
Oh, but now you're standing in the sun,  
you've fought your fight and your race is run.  
The pain is all a million miles away. *{Repeat  
Chorus}*

Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Hallelujah for the Hands that hold you now.

There's not a day goes by that I don't see you.

You live on in all the better parts of me.

Until I'm standing with you in the sun,

I'll fight this fight and this race I'll run

until I finally see what you can see. Oh---

*{Repeat Chorus}*

**Lesson:** *1 Kings 19:11-16*

Shawn McHugh, reader

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire, and

after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

### Find Us Faithful

Words and Music by Jon Mohr; Choral setting by Jack Schrader  
©1987 Chancel Choir

**We're pilgrims on the journey of the narrow road,  
and those who've gone before us line the way;  
Cheering on the faithful, encouraging the weary,  
their lives a stirring testament  
to God's sustaining grace.**

**Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,  
let us run the race not only for the prize;  
But as those who've gone before us,  
let us leave to those behind us  
the heritage of faithfulness  
passed on through godly lives.**

*O may all who come behind us find us faithful;  
May the fire of our devotion light their way.  
May the footprints that we leave  
lead them to believe,  
and the lives we live inspire them to obey;  
O may all who come behind us find us faithful.*

**After all our hopes and dreams have come and gone,  
and our children sift thru all we've left behind;  
May the clues that they discover  
and the mem'ries they uncover  
Become the light that leads them  
to the road we each must find.**

*O may all who come behind us find us faithful;  
May the fire of our devotion light their way.  
May the footprints that we leave lead them to be-  
lieve, and the lives we live inspire them to obey;*

*O may all who come behind us find us faithful.  
May the fire of our devotion light their way.  
May the footprints that we leave  
lead them to believe,  
and the lives we live inspire them to obey;*

*O may all who come behind us find us faithful.  
Faithful. Faithful.*

**Prayer** Shawn McHugh

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

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Celebrant:**

Holy, Holy, Holy! God of all disciples  
God of all the sainted ones whose races now are run,  
For each faithful witness who guided and inspired us,  
Thanks now we give for those whose rest is won.

Gathered at the table with the friends who loved Him,  
Jesus broke the bread and then He offered thanks above.  
“Take and eat this loaf as a symbol of my body,  
Soon to be broken, proof of my great love.”

Christ then raised His chalice, love poured out for many,  
As He bid them, “Drink your fill, forgiveness to receive.”  
We are now invited to feast with all our loved ones:  
Heav’n come to earth for all whose hearts believe.

**Congregation:**

Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore You,  
From their labors resting, earth’s sorrows passed away.  
In this sweet communion, we’ll be reunited,  
Knowing we’ll see them face-to-face one day.

### **The Lord’s Prayer**

**Music During Communion**

**In the Garden**

C. Austin Miles, 1913 / arr. by Cynthia Dobrinski  
Epworth Bell Choir

**I come to the garden alone  
while the dew is still on the roses,  
and the voice I hear falling on my ear,  
the Son of God discloses.**

*And He walks with me, and He talks with  
me,*

*and He tells me I am His own;*

*And the joy we share as we tarry there,  
none other has ever known.*

**He speaks, and the sound of His voice  
is so sweet the birds hush their singing,  
and the melody that He gave to me  
within my heart is ringing. {Refrain}**

**I’d stay in the garden with Him  
though the night around me is falling,  
but He bids me go; through the voice of  
woe**

**His voice to me is calling. {Refrain}**

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

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## All the People Said Amen

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

You are not alone if you are lonely.  
When you feel afraid, you're not the only.  
We are all the same, in need of mercy,  
to be forgiven and be free.

It's all you get to lean on,  
but thank God, it's all you need.

*And all the people said Amen.*

*And all the people said Amen.*

*Give thanks to the Lord,*

*for His love never ends.*

*And all the people said Amen.*

If you're rich or poor, well, it don't matter.  
Weak or strong,  
you know love is what we're after.  
We're all broken, but we're all in this to-  
gether.

God knows we stumble and fall,  
and God so loved the world,  
He sent His Son to save us all.

*{Repeat Chorus}*

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn  
apart.

Blessed are the persecuted and the pure  
in heart.

Blessed are the people hungry for another  
start,

for theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of  
God.

*{Repeat Chorus twice}*

**TAG:** And all the people said Amen.

# Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of November 5, 2023

## **Sympathy**

To Brenda Baker, family and friends, on the death of her friend, Bob, on their cruise.

To the innocent victims of the Israel/Gaza Strip conflict.

To their family and friends here in the US and abroad we

## **All Saints Church Members**

Roy Anderson

Jeanette Bonner

Phil Brown

Janet Greenwell Capitan

Michael Cockney

Jim Crowl

Mary Ann Freemont

## **CONCERNS:**

People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Cody Arbuthnot

David Bendekovits

Cathy Benson

Jason Bezman

Brad Bingaman

Annabelle Boire

Diaz Bonville

Pam Bookman, Hospice

Andy Brangenberg,

Diane Bruce

Tim Bush

Judy Buchanan

Sylvia Clair

Lou Ann Daniels

Max Dick

Jeanne Drake

Jennifer Eden Family

David Caffier

Sylvie Drew

Andrea Esarey

Dorothy Fedorka

Darlene Ford

Marion Ford

Michael Frome

Tom Groff

Jim Handy

Susan Hargrave

Gene Harris

Elizabeth Hart Family

**Joan Heckel**

Carmela Heelan

Dave Heffley

Kathy Hill

Ray Hilt

Donna Hitchens

Barb Hoffman

Mickey Hoffman

Carolyn Horn



Lorraine Hudson  
Deb Hunt  
Carol Davis Garber  
Janet Idema  
Kara  
Ted Kerwin  
Chole Kincaid Krean  
Nancy Lathbury  
David & Sue Laverty  
Cary Lewis  
Tyler Lewis  
Robert Lewis  
Lorretta Mahan  
Jerry Mahon  
Ryan Martin  
Steve Meadors  
Missy Merring  
Brenda Milbourne  
Laura Miller Family  
Payton Miller  
Joy Mitchell  
Karen Mitchell  
Ann Paulen  
Ron Paxton  
Leslie Petty  
Glenn Pierce  
Bruce Powell  
Annette Predeaux  
Presley  
Constance Quillen  
Barbara Simpson  
John Riley Spillane  
Vernon Redding  
Charlie Reynolds  
Carl Richards  
Beth Rinker  
Betty Robbins  
Sandy Roca  
Caitlyn Roche  
Wilmarie Rodriguez  
Peter Rupprecht  
Sandi Russell  
Dorothy & John Sadler  
Irene & Tom Saffrit  
Ed Scarborough  
Dianne Shearon  
Susan Shollenberger  
Jim Simms  
Henry Simpson  
Michael & Anna Skiles  
Fred and Sharyn Smith  
Ray Sonderfan  
Rob Socorso  
Paul Streit  
Scott Strickler  
Cheryl Tarlecky  
Mark Thompson  
Beth Toney  
Renee Toney  
Susanne Truitt

Harvey and Peggy Waltersdorf  
Amy Wall  
Wanda Walton-Hummel  
Tim Weschler  
Michael Wills, Sr  
Carol Wine  
Dan Wine  
Jack Witmer  
Denise Wolfe  
Charlotte Woods  
Claire Worrall  
Susan Yates  
Jean Young  
Jack, Phil, and Jim Travel to Dominican Republic

More Names on Back of Paper

### Continued Prayers for those in Assisted Living, Homebound, Hospice or in Long Term Care

Donna Blomquist, The Moorings  
Ann Chambers, The Moorings  
Leon Cromer, Harbor Health  
Carolyn Robinson-Brandywine  
Linda Rooney  
Barb Rowe, Renaissance  
Quinn Smith  
Elaine Trexler

### Joys

Music and the Arts

### 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

### College Students

Autumn Reynolds-Cedar Crest College  
Kristina Alexander, UD  
Cole Thomas Juliano, Elon  
Wade Stout-  
Alex Tamburello, Delaware College of Art and Design  
Thomas Vyas, Delaware Tech  
Griffin Barrows, Marist

# Epworth Ministry Organization



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(Inclusive Ministries, Food Ministries, Ecumenical/Interfaith, Social Justice)

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith and Bob Joynson

### Belonging Leadership Team

(Small Groups, New Members/Belongings, Sunday School, Youth & Adult Groups)

Gwen Osborne, Linda BenderHilt, Loretta Mahan, Cathie Lewis and Teri Moore

### Connecting Leadership Team

(Worship, Music, Arts)

Doug Yetter and Murray Archibald

### Caring Leadership Team

(Missions, Pastoral Care Team, Care Ministries)

Mickie McManamon, Dee Speck and Holly Reynolds

## Attendance last weekend, October 29, 2023

10:00	Livestream	ASL	SS	Total
201	369	3	17	590

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