



# EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, March 3, 2024



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

**10 am [Blended Worship Order](#)**  
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**Prayer List**  
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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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~ *We Gather in Worship* ~

### Chain Breaker

Mia Fieldes, Jonathan Smith, & Zach Williams

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If you've been walking the same old road  
for miles and miles,  
If you've been hearing the same old voice  
tell the same old lies,  
If you're trying to fill the same old holes in-  
side,  
there's a better life, there's a better life.

*If you've got pain, He's a pain taker.*

*If you feel lost, He's a way maker.*

*If you need freedom or saving,*

*He's a prison-shaking savior.*

*If you've got chains, He's a chain breaker.*

We've all searched for the light of day  
in the dead of night.

We've all found ourselves worn out  
from the same old fight.

And we've all run to things  
we know just ain't right.

And there's a better life, there's a better life.

*{Refrain}*

If you believe it, if you receive it,  
if you can feel it, somebody testify.

If you believe it, if you receive it,  
if you can feel it, somebody testify, testify.

If you believe it, if you receive it,  
if you can feel it, somebody testify. *Refrain}*

**TAG:** Oh, if you need freedom or saving,  
He's a prison-shaking savior.

If you've got chains, oh, He's a chain  
breaker.

### I'm So Blessed

Logan Cain, Matthew West, Taylor Matz, Jonathan Smith,

& Madison Cain Johnson ©2023 Logan Cain Music

Trouble knocking at my door today,  
I ain't gonna let it in.

And worry wanna steal my joy away,  
but I ain't gonna let it win.

'Cause on my best day, I'm a child of God,  
on my worst day, I'm a child of God.

Oh, every day is a good day,  
and You're the reason why.

*I'm so blessed, I'm so blessed,  
got this heartbeat in my chest.*

*No, it doesn't matter about the rest,  
if I got You Lord, I'm so blessed.*

And when I count the problems that I see,  
hope look all but gone.

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But when I count the ways You're good to me,  
You got me counting all day long.

*{Repeat Chorus 2x}*

On my best day, I'm a child of God,  
on my worst day, I'm a child of God.

Oh, every day is a good day,

and You're the reason why. *{Repeat Chorus 2x}*

On my best day, I'm a child of God,  
on my worst day, I'm a child of God.

Oh, every day is a good day,

and You're the reason why.

*{repeat section + Chorus}*

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

### How Great Thou Art

Stuart K. Hines, 1956

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds Your hands have made.

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,

Your power throughout the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;*

*How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;*

*How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.

When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur

and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

*{Refrain}*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.

Then I shall bow in humble adoration,

and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

*{Refrain twice}*

*TAG: How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

Kid's Time

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

### Order My Steps

Glenn Burleigh, 1991 / Arr. by Jack Schraeder, 2001

Chancel Choir Anthem

Order my steps in your Word, dear Lord,  
Lead me, guide me, every day.

Send your anointing, Father, I pray.

Order my steps in your Word,

please order my steps in your Word.

Humbly I ask Thee, teach me your will,

While You are working, help me be still.

Though Satan is busy, God is real!

Order my steps in your Word,

please, order my steps in your Word!

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I want to walk worthy, my calling to fulfill.  
Please order my steps, Lord,  
and I'll do your blessed will.  
The world is ever changing,  
but You are still the same.  
If You order my steps, I'll praise your name.

Order my steps in your Word,  
Order my tongue in your Word;  
Guide my feet in your Word,  
Wash my heart in your Word.

Show me how to walk in your Word,  
Show me how to talk in your Word.  
When I need a brand-new song to sing,  
Show me how to let your praises ring,  
In your Word, your Word, in your Word, your Word!  
Please order my steps in your Word.

**Lesson:** *Psalm 19* RuthAnn Barnes, reader

*Lord, you have the words,  
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

The heavens are telling the glory of God,  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech,  
and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words;  
their voice is not heard;

yet their voice goes out through all the earth  
and their words to the end of the world.

*Lord, you have the words,  
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,  
which comes out like a bridegroom  
from his wedding canopy,  
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens  
and its circuit to the end of them,  
and nothing is hid from its heat.

*Lord, you have the words,  
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

The law of the Lord is perfect,  
reviving the soul;  
the decrees of the Lord are sure,  
making wise the simple;  
the precepts of the Lord are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the Lord is clear,  
enlightening the eyes;  
the fear of the Lord is pure,  
enduring forever;

the ordinances of the Lord are true  
and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold;

sweeter also than honey  
and drippings of the honeycomb.

***Lord, you have the words,  
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.***

Moreover, by them is your servant warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.

But who can detect one's own errors?

Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep back your servant also from the insolent;  
do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless  
and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation  
of my heart be acceptable to you,

O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

***Lord, you have the words,  
Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.***

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

### **eYour Word Is Like A Lamp**

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend  
Congregational Hymn

**Your word is like a lamp, O Lord,  
and like a light to guide our way;  
For in this ever-changing world  
it bears Your promise every day.  
You showed Your love to Israel,  
and to the world you sent Your Son-  
a witness without parallel;  
the scriptures tell what You have done.**

**You speak Your word in history,  
to cultures bound by time and place.  
Yet in the Bible we can see  
the boundless reaching of Your grace.  
God, open wide each heart and mind  
by Your own Spirit now, we pray,  
that in Your scriptures we may find  
new ways to serve You every day.**

**We Pray for Our Pastor**      RuthAnn Barnes

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

**Prayer of Confession/Words of Assurance**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to You,  
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth...

...And so, with your people on earth  
and all the company of heaven  
we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed are those who come  
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the  
highest.**

...as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.  
**Christ has died; Christ is risen;  
Christ will come again.**

...Through your Son, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory are Yours, Almighty God,  
now and forever. **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

Spoken

## Sharing the Bread and Cup

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

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on my worst day, I'm a child of God.  
Oh, every day is a good day,  
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*I'm so blessed, I'm so blessed,  
got this heartbeat in my chest.*

*No, it doesn't matter about the rest,  
if I got You Lord, I'm so blessed.*

*{Repeat Chorus / Bridge / Chorus}*

# Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of March 3, 2024

## Sympathy

### Concerns:

People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Gary Bacon

Ann Beigay

\*Michael Beigay

David Bendekovits

\*Cathy Benson

\*Jeff Bond

Diaz Bonville

\*Andy Brangenberg

Diane Bruce

\*Tim Bush

Judy Buchanan

\*Jennifer Eden Family

David Caffier

Ron & Patti Cain

Joelle Colleta

Sylvie Drew

Sherri Ealy

Carol Fehrenbach

Marilyn Fentimen

Deb Ferlitto

Finn

Marion Ford

\*Vicki Gordy-Stith

\*Tom Groff

Shannon Harris

Kathy Hill

Ray Hilt

Barb Hoffman

\*Mickey Hoffman

Carolyn Horn

Teri Fitzgerald

Vincent Imhof

\*Sandra Kennedy

Chloe Kincade-Crean

Kris Koch

Nancy Krupa

\*Duncan Leet

Eton Lewis

Loretta Mahan

Jerry Mahon

Bob Mazur

Linda McLane

\*Missy Mehring

Pam Mehring

Brenda Milbourne

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Joy Mitchell  
Steve Mosteller  
Steve Oliverrez  
Donald Palmer  
Ann Paulen  
\*Ron Paxton  
\*Glenn Pierce  
Richard Pioli  
\*Annette Predeaux  
Constance Quillen  
Frank Quillen  
Charlie Reynolds  
Dallas Reynolds  
Pete Roche  
Barbara Simpson  
\*John Riley Spillane  
Jana Raup  
Judy Reich  
Victoria Reinholt  
Charlie Reynolds  
Dallas Reynolds  
Beth Rinker  
Betty Robbins  
\*Sandy Roca  
Wilmarie Rodriguez  
\*John Sadler  
\*Irene & Tom Saffrit  
Mark Saunders  
\*Ed Scarborough  
Jan Silbaugh  
Joan and Henry Simpson  
\*Fred and Sharyn Smith  
Ray Sonderfan  
\*Dee Speck  
Paul Streit  
\*Scott Strickler  
\*Mark Thompson  
Mike Tibets  
Ryan Talumello  
\*Susanne Truitt  
Harvey and Peggy Waltersdorf  
Wanda Walton-Hummel  
Travis Weber  
Tim Weschler  
Michael Wills, Sr  
Carol Wine  
Lorrie Witcher  
\*Charlotte Woods  
\*Claire Worrall  
Carolyn & Lincoln Yates  
\*Susan Yates  
\*Jean Young

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## **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

Quinn Smith

Elaine Trexler

\*Dan Wine

## **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/Grad Students**

Autumn Reynolds-Cedar Crest College

\*Kristina Alexander, Grad UD

Cole Thomas Juliano, Elon

Wade Stout

\*Thomas Vyas, Delaware Tech

Griffin Barrows, Marist

*\*Church Member*

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