



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, June 30, 2024



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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~ *We Gather in Worship* ~

At the Cross (Love Ran Red)

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There's a place where mercy reigns and never dies.

There's a place
where streams of grace flow deep and wide.
Where all the love I've ever found
comes like a flood, comes flowing down.

*At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life.
I'm in awe of You, I'm in awe of You.
Where Your love ran red
and my sin washed white,
I owe all to You, I owe all to You, Jesus.*

There's a place where sin and shame are powerless,
Where my heart has peace with God and forgiveness,
Where all the love I've ever felt
comes like a flood, comes flowing down.

*At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life.
I'm in awe of You, I'm in awe of You.
Where Your love ran red
and my sin washed white,
I owe all to You, I owe all to You.*

Here my hope is found, here on holy ground.
Here I bow down, here I bow down.
Here, arms open wide, here You saved my life.
Here I bow down, here I bow.

*At the cross, at the cross I surrender my life.
I'm in awe of You, I'm in awe of You.
Where Your love ran red
and my sin washed white,
I owe all to You, I owe all to You,
I owe all to You, I owe all to You,
Jesus, Savior of the world.
Jesus, Savior of the world.
Jesus, Savior of the world.
Jesus.*

AMERICA (MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE)

Samuel F. Smith, 1832 / *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1744

My country 'tis of thee,
sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing.
Land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride.
From every mountainside,
let freedom ring!

Our fathers' God to Thee,
author of liberty, to Thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light.
Protect us by Thy might,
great God, our king.

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

Katherine Lee Bates, 1904 / Samuel A. Ward, 1888

O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain.
For purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain!
America! America!

God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved
in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
and mercy more than life!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

Julia Ward Howe, 1861 / 19th C. American Camp Meeting Tune

My eyes have seen the glory
of the coming of the Lord.
He is trampling out the vintage
where the grapes of wrath are stored.
He has loosed the fateful lightning
of His terrible swift sword.
His truth is marching on!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on!

He has sounded forth the trumpet
that shall never call retreat.
He is sifting through our hearts and souls
before the judgment seat.
O be swift, my soul, to answer Him;
be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on! *{Refrain}*

GOD BLESS AMERICA

Irving Berlin, 1937

God bless America! Land that I love.
Stand beside her and guide her
through the night with a light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies,
to the oceans white with foam,
God bless America! My home sweet home!
God bless America! My home sweet home!

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH

Sy Miller & Jill Jackson, 1955

Let there be peace on earth,
and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth,
the peace that was meant to be.
With God, Our Creator, family all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me;
let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment
in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth,
and let it begin with me.

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

When In Our Music God is Glorified

Fred Pratt Green, 1971 / Charles Villiers Stan-
ford, 1904

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Arranged by Arnold B. Sherman
Chancel Choir / Bell Choir / Congregation
When in our music God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!

And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night
when utmost evil strove against the light?
Then let us sing, for whom He won the fight: Alleluia,
allelu, alleluia, allelu, alleluia, allelu, alleluia, alleluia.

Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen! Amen!

Kid's Time

Doug Yetter

Beautiful One

Tim Hughes ©2002 ThankYou Music
Chancel Choir / Praise Team

Wonderful, so wonderful
is Your unfailing love.
Your cross has spoken mercy over me.
No eye has seen, no ear has heard,
no heart can fully know
how glorious, how beautiful You are.
*Beautiful One, I love. Beautiful One, I adore.
Beautiful One, my soul must sing.*

Powerful, so powerful, Your glory fills the skies.
Your mighty works displayed for all to see.
The beauty of Your majesty
awakes my heart to sing
How marvelous, how wonderful You are.
{Chorus 2x}

You opened my eyes to Your wonders anew,
You captured my heart with this love
cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You.
And You opened my eyes to Your wonders anew,
You captured my heart with this love
because nothing on earth is as beautiful as You.
{Chorus}

My soul, my soul must sing.
My soul, my soul must sing.
My soul, my soul must sing.

Beautiful One. *{Repeat section – Chorus 2x}*

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

God, Whose Love is Reigning O'er Us

William Boyd Grove, 1980 / Henry T. Smart, 1867

God, whose love is reigning o'er us,
source of all, the ending true;
hear the universal chorus
raised in joyful praise to You:
Alleluia, Alleluia, worship ancient, worship new.

Word of God from nature bringing
springtime green and autumn gold;
mountain streams like children singing,
ocean waves like thunder bold:
Alleluia, Alleluia, as creation's tale is told.

Lift we then our human voices
in the songs that faith would bring;
live we then in human choices
lives that, like our music, sing:
Alleluia, Alleluia, joined in love our praises ring!

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Prayers of the People

Scott Button

Listen—all creation rejoices, but can you hear it?
With so much noise and chatter,
are you sure there is music?
Listen—the wilderness and desert are breaking out in
song, but can you hear it?
It's been so long since we've heard a melody of praise.
Listen—the crocus blooms with joyful singing,
the very mountains join in the refrain.
But can you hear it?

We join our voices in hope,
worshipping our God who brings forth new songs.

Life-giving God, we are a blessed people.
In this moment of worship
we pray that you might bless us anew.
Give us ears to hear the melodies of praise
that fill the world around us.
And as we hear the songs, teach us to sing,
to dance with abandon,
to rejoice in the wonders of your grace.
Forgive us when we have passed by signs of your mer-
cy.
From this moment forward,
open our eyes to places where joy is springing up
from parched ground.
Lead us by your Spirit
in the pathways of your overflowing peace, hope, and
joy.
Amen.

And now let us sing the prayer that Christ taught us:

The Lord's Prayer

Sung Responsively

God So Loved

Ed Cash, Franni Cash, Martin Cash, Scott Cash & Andrew
Bergthold

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

**Come, all you weary. Come all you thirsty.
Come to the well that never runs dry.
Drink of the water. Come and thirst no more.**

**Come, all you sinners. Come, find His mercy.
Come to the table. He will satisfy.
Taste of His goodness. Find what you're look-
ing for.**

*For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us.
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.*

**Bring all your failures, bring your addictions.
Come, lay them down at the foot of the cross.
Jesus is waiting there with open arms.
See His open arms? {Repeat Chorus}**

**The pow'r of hell, forever defeated.
Now it is well; I'm walking in freedom.
For God so loved, God so loved the world.**

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Praise God, praise God,
from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, praise Him
for the wonders of His love.
Praise God, praise God,
from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, praise Him
for the wonders of His love, His amazing love.
*For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save.
For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us.
Whoever believes in Him will live forever.*

The pow'r of hell, forever defeated.
Now it is well; I'm walking in freedom.
For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions.
Come, lay them down at the foot of the cross.
Jesus is waiting. God so loved the world.

Lesson: *John 15:4-5, 9-17* Jenifer Eden

Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another. May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

If You Love Me

John Ness Beck, 1980

Chancel Choir

If you love me, keep my commandments.

If you love me, heed my law.

If you seek me, you shall surely find me;

if you search for me with all your heart.

If you seek me, you shall find me,

if you search with all your heart.

Prayer for Our Pastor Jenifer Eden

Sermon Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Siyahamba (We Are Marching)

Zulu Folk Song / Arr. by Robert J. Ward

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Epworth Bell Choir

We are singing for the Lord is our light, (x4)
We are singing (singing, we are singing)
Oh-oh, we are singing for the Lord is our light.
We are singing (singing, we are singing)
Oh-oh, we are singing for the Lord is our light.

We are walking in the light of God, (x4)
We are walking (walking, we are walking)
Oh-oh, we are walking in the light of God.
We are walking (walking, we are walking)
Oh-oh, we are walking in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God, (x4)
We are marching (marching, we are marching)
Oh-oh, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching (marching, we are marching)
Oh-oh, we are marching in the light of God.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Good God Almighty

David Crowder, Ben Glover, & Jeff Sojka ©2021 9 T ONE
SONGS

Praise Team / Chancel Choir

I can't count the times I've called
Your name some broken night.
And You showed up and patched me up
like You do every time.
I get amnesia,
I forget that You keep coming around.
Yeah, ain't no way You'll ever let me down.
*Good God Almighty, I hope You'll find me,
praising Your name, no matter what comes.
'Cause I know where I'd be
without Your mercy,
so I keep praising Your name
at the top of my lungs.
Tell me, is He good? (He's good.)
Tell me, is He God? (He's God.)
He is Good God Almighty.*

You say Your love goes on forever,
that Your mercy never stops.
So why would I assume You'd be
somebody that You're not?
Like sun in the morning,
I know You're gonna be there every day.
So what on earth could make me be afraid?
{Refrain}

[Praise Him in the morning,](#)
praise Him in the noontime,
praise Him when the sun goes down.
Love Him in the morning,
love Him in the noontime,
love Him when the sun goes down.
{Refrain}

Jesus in the morning, Jesus in the noontime,
Jesus when the sun goes down.
Jesus in the morning, Jesus in the noontime,
Jesus when the sun goes down.

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First Summer worship Series May 19—July 21, 2024



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of June 30, 2024

CONCERNS:

People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Gary Arrell

Gary Bacon

Mary Cooney Bechtel

Ann Beigay

James Belknap

David Bendekovits

*Cathy Benson

Addison Bigos

Gary Bodmer

*Jeff Bond

Diaz Bonville

Brian Bowman

*Andy Brangenberg

Vic & Tina Broccolino

Christian Brown

Diane Bruce

Jeff Bruckman Family

*Tim Bush

Judy Buchanan

Katy Byrnes

*Jennifer Eden Family

David Caffier

Ron & Patti Cain

Gail Clifford

Mary Jane Colgan

Joelle Colleta

Leon Cromer

*Ruth Ann Curley

Sylvie Drew

Sherri Ealy

Diana Fair

Carol Fehrenbach

Mark Farrell

Deb Ferlitto

*Roni Fiedler

Finn

Mark Fonseca

Marion Ford

Fran Garside

*Tom Groff

Karen Harford

Shannon Harris

Bryan Hecksher

Kathy Hill

Ray Hilt

Barb Hoffman

*Mickey Hoffman in Bayhealth Hospital

Connie Hoffman

*Deb Hunt

Roni Feiler

Teri Fitzgerald

Vincent Imhof

*Sandra Kennedy

Chloe Kincade-Crean

Kris Koch

Nancy Krupa

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Kristen Family
Eton Lewis
Duane Little
Loretta Mahan
Jerry Mahon
*Jan Malone
Kathleen Marto
Bob Mazur
Kayla McCauley
*Jeff McGuire
Linda McLane
*Missy Mehring
Pam Mehring
Brenda Milbourne
*Laura Miller
Joy Mitchell
Steve Mosteller
Jack O'Day
Steve Oliverez
Donald Palmer
Ann Paulen
*Ron Paxton
*Sandy & Glenn Pierce
Richard Pioli
*Dan Potts
*Annette Predeaux
Constance Quillen
Frank Quillen
Charlie Reynolds
Dallas Reynolds
Denise Rhone
Beth Rinker
Pete Roche
Barbara Simpson
*John Riley Spillane
Jana Raup
Judy Reich
Victoria Reinholt
Charlie Reynolds
Dallas Reynolds
*Bill Robbins
*Sandy Roca
Mary Jane Rodowicz
Wilmarie Rodriguez
Richard Ross
*John Sadler
*Irene & Tom Safrit
*Ed Scarborough
Richard Scott
Jan Silbaugh
Barbara Simpson Family
*Fred and Sharyn Smith
Ray Sonderfan
Steve
Leonard Stielter
*Scott Strickler
Tom Stout
Dr. David Tam
*Cheryl Tarlecky
*Mark Thompson
Mike & Erin Tibets
Ryan Talumello
Rene Toney

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Nancy Trinkley
*Susanne Truitt
*Peggy Waltersdorf
Hudson Walton
Donald Walton
Wanda Walton-Hummel
Travis Weber
*Tina Whaley
Michael Wills, Sr
Pat Williams
Carol Wine
Lorrie Witcher
*Charlotte Woods
*Claire Worrall
Carolyn & Lincoln Yates
*Michelle 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

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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

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College/Grad Students

*Autumn Reynolds-Grad Student Cedar Crest College
*Kristina Alexander, Grad Student UD
Cole Thomas Juliano, Elon
Noah Ryan, Delaware Tech
*Thomas Vyas, Delaware Tech
Griffin Barrows, Marist

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*Church Member

Epworth Ministry Organization



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Pastor of Community & Communication:

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