



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, July 14, 2024

The Fruit of Thriving

July 14, 2024

Peace

Ephesians
2:11-22



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 ~

Same Power

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

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.
{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!
{Chorus}

TAG: He lives in us.

I Will Rise

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Louie Giglio, & Matt Maher
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Praise Team

There's a peace I've come to know,
though my heart & flesh may fail.
There's an anchor for my soul.
I can say, "It is well."
Jesus has overcome,
and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won; He is risen from the dead.

And I will rise when He calls my name;
no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings,
before my God fall on my knees, and rise.
I will rise.

There's a day that's drawing near
when this darkness breaks to light,
And the shadows disappear,
and my faith shall be my eyes.
Jesus has overcome,
and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won; He is risen from the dead.
{Chorus}

And I hear the voice of many angels' sing,
"Worthy is the Lamb!"
And I hear the cry of every longing heart,

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“Worthy is the Lamb!” – Repeat section
Worthy is the lamb!” {Chorus}
TAG: I will rise. Rise!

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

My Lighthouse

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

In my wrestling, and in my doubts,
in my failures, You won't walk out.
Your great love will lead me through;
You are the peace in my troubled sea.
Whoa oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea.

In the silence, You won't let go.
In the questions, Your truth will hold.
Your great love will lead me through;
You are the peace in my troubled sea.
Whoa, oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea.

*My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse –
shining in the darkness, I will follow you!
Oh my Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,
I will trust the promise:
You will carry me safe to shore,
safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.*

I won't fear what tomorrow brings.
With each morning, I'll rise and sing.
My God's love will lead me through;
You are the peace in my troubled sea.
Whoa oh, You are the peace in my troubled sea.
{Repeat Chorus}

Fire before us, you're the brightest.
You will lead us through the storms.

{Repeat section 3x - Repeat Chorus}

Kid's Time

Joy Gordy-Stith

There's a Spirit of Love in this Place

Mark Miller, 2003
Chancel Choir

There's a spirit of love in this place,
there's a spirit of love in this place.
You can't see it, but it's there
just as precious as the air.
There's a spirit of love in this place.
*O alleluia, sing alleluia!
We bless Your holy name.
O alleluia, sing alleluia!
There's a spirit of love in this place.*

There's the presence of peace in this room,
there's the presence of peace in this room.
In God's tenderness is found
peace that passes human bounds.
There's the presence of peace in this room.
{Repeat Chorus}

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend ©2006 ThankYou Music
Congregational Hymn

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Holy Spirit, living breath of God,
breathe new life into my willing soul.
Let the presence of the risen Lord
come renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
give me faith for what I cannot see,
Give me passion for your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within,
may your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin,
in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my strivings into works of grace;
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth,
cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;
lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That in unity the face of Christ
will be clear for all the world to see.

Prayers of the People

Rick Buske

Almighty God,
by your Holy Spirit
you have made us one with your saints
in heaven and on earth,
one with your saints in tent and temple,
and one with your saints in settlement and seashore.
Always moving, You call us to come along with you
into unexpected and wonderful places.

Help us to see your presence
burning in the hearts of others;
grant that we may be united
in a fellowship of love and prayer;
give us the courage to pick up our cross
and respond to the needs of the world,
give us the stamina to follow you,
to be your hands and heart in the world.

May each of us fulfill our own role
as a stone in your temple
resting upon and supporting one another.
Help us to remember and give thanks
for those who formed this temple before us,
who welcomed us into it,
and with whom we are still united on earth and in heaven.
We ask these things through Christ our cornerstone. Amen.

And now let us sing the prayer that Christ taught us to pray.

The Lord's Prayer

Sung Responsively

Lesson: *Ephesians 2:11-22*

Lynne Wilmer

So then, remember that at one time you gentiles by birth,
called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumci-

sion”—a circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, abolishing the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it.

So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

Creation Will Be At Peace

Words by J. Paul Williams; Music by Anna Laura Page

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Chancel Choir

**In the holy mountain of the Lord
all war and strife will cease;
In the holy mountain of the Lord
creation will be at peace.**

**In the holy mountain of the Lord
all war and strife will cease;
In the holy mountain of the Lord
creation will be at peace.**

**The wolf will lie down with the lamb,
the cow and bear will feed,
Their young will play together;
a little child will lead, a little child will lead.**

**In the holy mountain of the Lord
all war and strife will cease;
In the holy mountain of the Lord
creation will be at peace.**

**The leopard and goat will graze,
the lion will feed on straw.
They will war no more, they will war no more;
A child will lead them all, will lead them all.**

**In the holy mountain of the Lord
all war and strife will cease;
In the holy mountain of the Lord
creation will be at peace.
Creation will be at peace.**

We Pray for Our Pastor

Lynne Wilmer

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

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It Is Well With My Soul

Horatio G. Spafford, 1873 / Philip P. Bliss, 1876

When peace, like a river, attends me on my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll.

Whatever my lot, you have taught me to say,
“It is well, it is well with my soul.”

*It is well with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
{Refrain}

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith will be
sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll.
The trumpet will sound, and the Lord will descend,
even so, it is well with my soul. {Refrain}

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

God is Good All the Time

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

*God is good all the time –
He put a song of praise in this heart of mine.
God is good all the time –
through the darkest night His light will shine.
God is good, God is good all the time.*

If you're walking through the valley
and there are shadows all around,
Do not fear, He will guide you;
He will keep you safe and sound.
He has promised to never leave you
or forsake you, and His word is true. {Refrain}

We were sinners, so unworthy –
still for us He chose to die.
Filled us with His Holy Spirit;
now we can stand and testify
that His love is everlasting,
and His mercies, they will never end.

*God is good all the time –
He put a song of praise in this heart of mine.
God is good all the time –
through the darkest night His light will shine.
God is good, God is good,
God is good – He's so good,
God is good, God is good all the time!*

First Summer worship Series May 19—July 21, 2024



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of July 14, 2024

CONCERNS:

People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

*Miriam Barton

James Belknap

*Cathy Benson

Gary Bodmer

*Jeff Bond

Diaz Bonville

*Andy Brangenberg

Diane Bruce

*Tim Bush

*Jennifer Eden Family

David Caffier

Mary Jane Colgan

***Ruth Ann Curley**

Karen Bonahoe

Mark Farrell

*Roni Fiedler

Finn

Marion Ford

Fran Garside

Kathy Hill

Ray Hilt

Barb Hoffman

*Mickey Hoffman in Bayhealth Hospital

Connie Hoffman

*Sandra Kennedy

Chloe Kincade-Crean

Gabriel Magnusson

*Loretta Mahan

Jerry Mahon

Bob Mazur

Karen Monahan

*Ron Paxton

*Sandy & Glenn Pierce

Richard Pioli

*Dan Potts

*Annette Predeaux

Constance Quillen

Frank Quillen

Beth Rinker

Pete Roche

*Gary Ralph

*Bill Robbins

*John Sadler

*Irene & Tom Safrit

*Fred and Sharyn Smith

Ray Sonderfan

Steve

*Scott Strickler

*Mark Thompson

Mike & Erin Tibets

Ryan Talumello

Rene Toney

Nancy Trinkley

*Susanne Truitt

Lee Ann Walling

*Peggy Waltersdorf

Hudson Walton

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Donald Walton
*Tina Whaley
Michael Wills, Sr
*Charlotte Woods
*Claire Worrall
*Michelle Yates
*Jean Young

*Church Members

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

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*Ann Chambers, The Moorings
Leon Cromer, Harbor Health
*Carolyn Robinson-Brandywine
*Linda Rooney
Quinn Smith
Elaine Trexler
*Dan Wine

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

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*Autumn Reynolds-Grad Student Cedar Crest College
*Kristina Alexander, Grad Student Western Governor's U
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*Thomas Vyas, Delaware Tech
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