

Sunday, September 1, 2024









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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~ We Gather in Worship ~

I Will Follow

Chris Tomlin, Reuben Morgan, & Jason Ingram ©2010 Shout! Publishing Praise Team

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay. When You move, I'll move. I will follow. Oh, oh, oh.

All Your ways are good, all Your ways are sure. I will trust in You alone. Higher than my sight, high above my life,

I will trust in You alone.

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.

When You move, I'll move. I will follow You.

Who You love, I'll love. How You serve, I'll serve.

If this life I lose, I will follow You, yeah,

I will follow You, yeah.

Light into the world, light into my life, I will live for You alone. You're the one I seek, knowin' I will find all I need in You alone, in You alone. {Refrain}

In You there's life everlasting, in You there's freedom for my soul. In You there's joy, unending joy, and I will follow.

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay. When You move, I'll move. I will follow. Who You love, I'll love. How You serve, I'll serve. If this life I lose, I will follow.

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay. When You move, I'll move. I will follow You. Who You love, I'll love. How You serve, I'll serve. If this life I lose, I will follow You, yeah, I will follow You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah. I will follow You, yeah.

Draw the Circle Wide

Gordon Light & Mark A. Miller ©2008 Praise Team / Chancel Choir

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide. Draw the circle, draw the circle wide. No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side. Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

In your sadness and in your grief all the pain, it seems there's no relief. We will hold you till the pain subsides. Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song: no one stands alone.

Standing side by side,
draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

{Repeat Section}

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide. Draw the circle, draw the circle wide. No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side. Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still. Let this be our song: no one stands alone. Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

{Repeat Section}

TAG: Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Love the Lord

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Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. {Repeat section}

With all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, with all your strength. Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

I will serve the Lord with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength. {Repeat section}

With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength. I will serve the Lord with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.

I will love you, (ALL: echo) I will praise you; (echo) I will serve you, (echo) I will trust you. (echo)

With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength. With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.

I will love you, Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength. {Repeat section 2x}

Kid's Time

Joy Gordy-Stith

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

They'll Know We Are Christians

Peter Scholtes, 1966 Congregational Hymn

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other,
we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land. {Chorus}

We will work with each other, we will work side by side. We will work with each other, we will work side by side. And we'll guard each other's dignity and save each other's pride. {Chorus}

All praise to Jehovah, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: {Chorus}

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil with good.

May this scripture inspire us all...

 \S to walk in the way that leads to life.

In This Very Room

Words and Music by Ron & Carol Harris ©1979
In this very room
there's quite enough love for one like me,
And in this very room
there's quite enough joy for one like me,
and there's quite enough hope
and quite enough power
to chase away any gloom,
For Jesus, Lord Jesus is in this very room.

In this very room there's quite enough love for all of us, And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all of us, And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to chase away any gloom, For Jesus, Lord Jesus is in this very room.

In this very room there's quite enough love for all the world, And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all the world, And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to chase away any gloom, For Jesus, Lord Jesus is in this very room.

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith Sermon

Be Present at Our Table, Lord

John Cennick, 1741 / Louis Bourgeois, 1551 Be present at our table, Lord; be here and everywhere adored; Thy creatures bless, and grant that we may feast in paradise with Thee.

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.

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 high-

... 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Spoken

Music during Communion:

Celtic Laud

Lyric by Pamela Martin; Music by Craig Courtney ©2003 Chancel Choir

For fruit of the vine, for harvest of wheat, For bread and for wine, the gift of Your feast, The cup of thanksgiving I gratefully raise, O Lord of my living, my love and my praise.

For dove in the sky, for wind in the tress,

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For coal in the fire, Your Spirit in me, The cup of thanksgiving I gratefully raise, O Lord of my living, my love and my praise.

For springtime's green earth, for morning's first light, For every new birth, for grace and for life, The cup of thanksgiving I gratefully raise, O Lord of my living, my love and my praise.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Every Praise

Hezekiah Walker & John David Bratton ©2013 Li'l Eva Music Praise Team / Chancel Choir

Ev'ry praise is to our God, ev'ry word of worship with one accord. Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God. Sing hallelujah to our God. Glory hallelujah is due our God. Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God. {Repeat section 3x}

God, my savior. God, my healer. God, my deliverer. Yes, He is. Yes, He is. God, my savior. God, my healer. God, my deliverer. Yes, He is. Yes, He is. Yes, He is. Yes, He is.

Ev'ry praise is to our God. Ev'ry word of worship with one accord. Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise. Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God.

Second Summer Worship Series July 28—September 1, 2024



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of September 1, 2024

SYMPATHY

CONCERNS

People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Cody Angstadt

*Miriam Barton

Ann Beigay

*Michael Beigay

James Belknap

*Cathy Benson

Linda Bingnear

Gary Bodmer

*Janine Bond

*Jeff Bond

Diaz Bonville

*Andy Brangenberg

Diane Bruce

*Tim Bush

*Jennifer Eden Family

David Caffier

Mary Jane Colgan

*Ruth Ann Curley

Laurene Dalpezzo

Karen Donahoe

Ayva Dudley

Mark Farrell

Blaine Fasnacht

*Roni Fiedler

Finn

Marion Ford

Luna and Nathan Franco

Fran Garside

Linda Fink Gregory

Ezra Groff

Mark Gruber-Lebowitz

Linda Hartlove

Kathy Hill

Ray Hilt

Barb Hoffman

Connie Hoffman

Mickey Hoffman

Kate Howells

*Sandra Kennedy

Chloe Kincade-Crean

*Loretta Mahan

Jerry Mahon

Kaitlyn McCutcheon

Patrick McManamon

Bob Mazur

Karen Monahan

Aviana&Aurora Montano

Jack O'Day

*Bob Paulen

*Ron Paxton

*Sandy & Glenn Pierce

Richard Pioli

*Dan Potts

*Annette Predeaux

Perry Psaros

Constance Quillen

Frank Quillen

Beth Rinker

Pete Roche

*Gary Ralph

*Bill Robbins

*John Sadler

*Irene & Tom Safrit

*Carl Schloegel

*Fred and Sharyn Smith

*Loretta Smith

Ron Soltes

Ray Sonderfan

Steve

*Scott Strickler

*Mark Thompson

Ryan Talumello

Dean Tibbetts

Mike & Erin Tibets

Rene Toney

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*Susanne Truitt

*Mike Tyler

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*Peggy Waltersdorf

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*Tina Whaley

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*Claire Worrall

*Michelle Yates

*Jean Young

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- *Ann Chambers, The Moorings

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*Linda Rooney

Quinn Smith

Elaine Trexler

*Dan Wine

*Janet Yabroff

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