



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, July 13, 2025



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 ~

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}*

Goodness of God

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir*

I love you, Lord. Oh, Your mercy never fails me.
All my days I've been held in Your hands.
From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head
oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

*And all my life You have been faithful.
And all my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able,
oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.*

I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire.
And in darkest nights You are close like no other.
I've known You as Jehovah,
I've known You as a friend.
And I have lived in the goodness of God. *{Refrain}*

'Cause Your goodness is a-running after,
it's a-running after me.
And Your goodness is a-running after,
it's a-running after me.
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now,
I give You everything.
'Cause Your goodness is a-running after,
it's a-running after me. *{Repeat section - Refrain}*

*I'm gonna sing, I'm gonna sing!
Oh, yes, 'cause all my life You have been faithful.
And all my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able,
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.*

Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

God So Loved

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

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**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 looking 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?**

*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.*

**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.**

{Repeat Chorus}

**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.**

Kid's Time

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

They Asked, "Who's My Neighbor?"

Jan Wesson, 1981 / Congregational Hymn

**They asked, "Who's my neighbor
and whom shall I love;
for whom should I do a good deed?"
The Master related a story and said,
"It's anyone who has a need,
yes, anyone who has a need!"**

**There once was a traveler set on by thieves
who beat him and left him to die.
A Priest and a Levite each saw him in pain;
but they turned away and walked by,
yes, they turned away and walked by!**

**A certain Samaritan then came along
to bind up his wounds and give aid;
he took him to stay at an inn until well,
and for all the service he paid,
yes, for all the service he paid!**

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**I know who's my neighbor and whom I should love,
for whom I should do a good deed;
for Christ made it clear in the story he told,
it's anyone who has a need,
yes, anyone who has a need!**

Prayers of the People

David Garrett

God of All Creation,

we confess that we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
You clothed yourself in flesh and lived out your life among those
who were sick — physically, mentally, and spiritually.
You reached out to touch them, spoke words to comfort them,
and performed miracles to heal them.

Not only did we walk past, we walked away.
We were too busy, too frightened, our hearts were too cold.
In our abundance, we were too poor in spirit to bear the cost.
In our comfort, we were too complacent
to suffer any inconvenience.

It was the Samaritan,
a man despised and without pride of position or parentage,
who was faithful and loving and who gave of himself sacrificially.

Father God, in your mercy, say that it is not too late for me.
Another may have borne the burden,
but I can go to the inn and sit with the traveler while he heals.
I can bathe his wounds and feed him
and lighten his spirit until the Good One returns.
Grant me the grace to do that little service with a grateful heart;
please stand with me so that I will not walk away
and shun the greater service the next time.

We pray to be released from the sin-sickness that grips us.
Guide us and help us to work for the healing
and wholeness of our neighbors as well.

*And now with the confidence of the Children of God,
let us sing the prayer Christ taught us:*

The Lord's Prayer

Sung Responsively

Lesson: *Luke 10:25-37*

Nick Foery, reader

An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to

him, "Go and do likewise."

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

Let Us Serve Him

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Chancel Choir Anthem*

If we walk within His light
He will guide each step we take.
He will keep us in His sight
and bring us back if we go astray.
When the road is dark and cold
we will have His hand to hold,
And if we put our trust in Him,
we'll see a brand-new day begin.

*Let us go and let us serve Him
with a love for all to see.*

*Let us show that we have heard Him
and we believe, yes we believe.*

When we talk with Him in prayer
He will hear each word we say.
When we're safe within His care
we know that He will show us the way.
There's no need to live in fear
for our God is always near.
Yes, He loves us ev'ry one
and we must see His work is done. {Chorus twice}

Prayer for Our Pastor

Nick Foery

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

What Does Our God Require?

*Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2016 / Henry T. Smart 1835
Congregational Hymn*

What does our God require
of those who long to be
disciples set afire for all the world to see?
The answer through the ages
has always been the same;
the triune charge it wages
is there for all to claim.

Do justice, says our Savior,
as through the world you go.
Live so that your behavior
will let all others know
that everyone is precious;
that all indeed means all,
whatever tone one's flesh is,
or in what tongue they call.

Love mercy as a treasure,
show kindness and forgive;
That is the second measure
of how we're called to live.
As we've received from others,
and from our God above,
our sisters and our brothers
deserve our grace and love.

Walk humbly, we're commanded,
beside the One each day
who helps us understand it:
this true and perfect way.

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So let us strive together
our best for God to be
through justice, tender mercy,
and real humility.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

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 together.
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.

Annual Worship Theme September 2024—August 2025

Hospitality



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of July 13, 2025

SYMPATHY

To Cathy Benson and Susan Jimenez, family and friends, on the death of Cathy's brother, Stacy.

CONCERNS

People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Jackson and family

Sharon

Nicole Anderson

Zach & Emma Anderson

Ashley Angstadt

Cody Angstadt

John Astafan and family

Joey Augustine

*Michael Beigay

David Bendekovits

Melba Bengston, Hospice @ Home

*Cathy Benson

Linda Bingnear

*Janine Bond

*Jeff Bond

*Susie Bond

Barbara Bowrin

Mallory Banczar

*Anita Broccolino Family

Diane Bruce

*Kathryn Burwin

Donna Bush

*Tim Bush

David Caffier

Brenda Clarke

Clouspy Family

Mary Jane Colgan

Jose Compos

Ian Cooper

Paula Cosatanzo

Lou Cox

Angela Cregar

Laurene Dalpezzo

Fern Dzielak

Karen Donahoe

*Jane Drapper

*Erin Drummond

Alan Dzilak

Mya Douglas, 14 yr old in hospice

Ayva Dudley

*Jennifer Eden Family

Elizabeth

Katherine Erlanger

Blaine Fasnacht

*Roni Fiedler

Horst Fischer

Folderaiuer Family

Darlene Ford

Marion Ford

Luna and Nathan Franco

Judy Fredrich

Kim Frye

Dayna Fuller

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Dayna Faller
Jaime Freitas
Ken Gilson- Hospice Vermont
Jody Good
Sterling Green
Ezra Groff
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Kathy Hill
Ray Hilt
Barb Hoffman
Bobby Horn
Kate Howells
Wayne Hudson
Bonnie Hudson
Lorraine Hudson
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Marly/Bob Jensey
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Matthew Kenworthy
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*George Leet
*Donna Lipscomb
*Loretta Mahan
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Jerry Mahon
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Pete Roche
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*Alyse Rogers
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Emmalea Ruff

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Eddie & Jean Safrit
*Irene & Tom Safrit
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Kamdyn Schauss
*Carl Schloegel
Donna Shannon
*Fred and Sharyn Smith
Bill Smith
*Loretta Smith
*Chet Sprague and Sue Sprague
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Mike Sprague
Mikey Stugard
Steve
Mallory S
*Cheryl Tarlecky
*Mark Thompson
Dean Tibbetts
Mike Tibbetts
Mike & Erin Tibets
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Nancy Trinkley
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Lee Ann Walling
Peggy Waltersdorf
Hudson Walton
Donald Walton
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*Lynne Wilmer
*Carol Woodcock
Joe Wood
*Charlotte Woods
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***Tom Worrall**
*Michelle Yates
*Jean Young
*Tammy Zhang and family
Zopfi family
Tiffany
Jody
Lynn and her 3 children

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

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Leon Cromer, Harbor Health
*Linda Rooney
Quinn Smith
Elaine Trexler
*Janet Yabroff
Jamie
Bradley

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Luke Wilson, USCG Pascagoula

Zeb Wilson, Travis AFB

Jacob Hudson, Quantico

Andrew Hudson, UT ROTC

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