

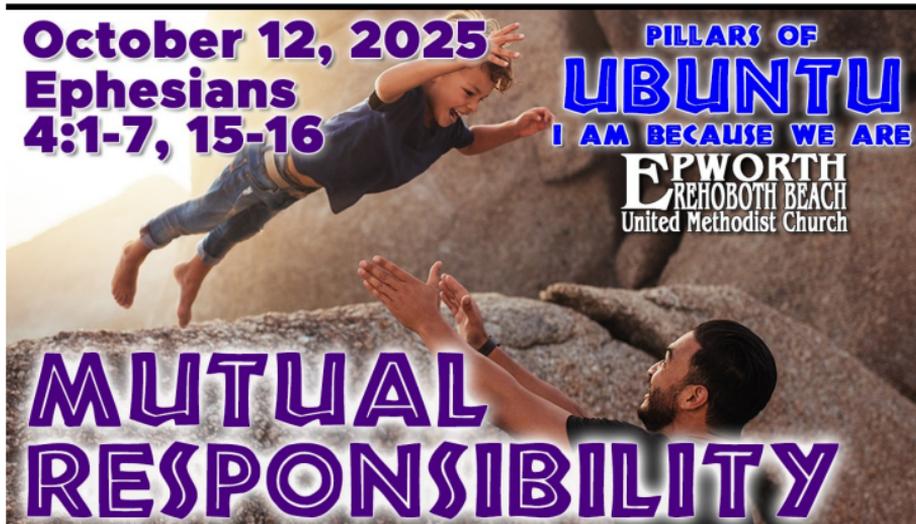


EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, October 12, 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 ~

Alive and Breathing

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir*

What holds your heart? What stirs your soul?

What matters come to mind?

The cares you keep, the thoughts you think,
it's not all wasted time.

Seek and you will find.

Joy still comes in the morning,

hope still walks with the hurting.

If you're still alive and breathing,

praise the Lord!

Don't stop dancing and dreaming.

There's still good news worth repeating.

So, lift your head and keep singing,

"Praise the Lord!"

The years roll by. We wonder why
we lost our way from home.

Our Father finds the child inside
we left for growing old.

Awake, awake, awake, my soul!

{Repeat Chorus}

Let everything, let everything,
let everything praise the Lord.

In the working, in the waiting,

let it praise the Lord.

In the blessing, in the breaking,

come on, praise the Lord.

In the dying, the rising, let it praise the Lord.

Let it praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!

{Repeat Chorus twice}

Burning in My Soul

Brett Younker, Matt Maher, Jesse Reeves, Daniel Caron

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

There is power, power,

here in this hour, this hour.

We're all together, together,

waiting here as one. *{Repeat}*

Whoa, hear the sound from heaven.

Whoa, a mighty rushing wind.

Whoa. We're calling for revival.

God, let your fire fall again.

It's burning in my soul---,

burning in my soul---

All your sons and your daughters,
dreaming the dreams of their father,

Seeing the signs and the wonders:

the Kingdom of God. Yeah. *{Repeat Chorus}*

I cannot contain it, this fire inside.

I cannot contain it, so let it shine.

I cannot contain it, this light of mine.

It's burning in my soul,

hear the sound from heaven.

Whoa, a mighty rushing wind.

Whoa. We're calling for revival.

God, let your fire fall again.

It's burning in my soul---,

burning in my soul---

*it's burning in my soul--,
burning in my soul!*

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

My Jesus

Matthew West, Anne Wilson, & Jeffrey Pardo
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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

Are you past the point of weary,
is your burden weighing heavy,
is it all too much to carry?
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus.
Do you feel that empty feeling,
'cause shame's done all its stealing,
and you're desp'rate for some healing?
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus.

*He makes a way where there ain't no way,
rises up from an empty grave,
ain't no sinner that He can't save.*

Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus.

*His love is strong and His grace is free,
and the good news is I know that He,
can do for you what He's done for me.*

*Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus,
and let my Jesus change your life.*

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, amen, amen.

Who can wipe away the tears,
from broken dreams and wasted years,
and tell the past to disappear?
Oh, let me tell you 'bout my Jesus.
And all the wrong turns that you would,
go and undo if you could.
Who can work it all for your good?
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus. *{Refrain}*

Who would take my cross to Calv'ry,
pay the price for all my guilty,
who would care that much about me?
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus, oh... *{Refrain}*
TAG: *Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,
and let my Jesus change your life.*

Kid's Time

Rise Up

Kim Williams, 2019 / Traditional English melody
Congregational Hymn

Rise up today and stand as one in love and unity.
Let's recognize each child of God created beautiflly.
Engraved upon God's loving hands,
each one of us by name.
Completely known and loved by God,
each beating heart the same.

Reach out to all humanity for we define the church.
May we look inward at the heart
to see each person's worth.
Our loving kindness brings great hope
to those in deep despair.
We're called to be the light of Christ,
a beacon ev'rywhere.

Receive God's love that never fails for all humanity.

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A love that will not let us go, throughout eternity.
May we rise up, together strong,
embracing human hearts.
Proclaiming God's great love for all,
with freedom to impart.

Prayers of the People

Jane Okma

Creator God, we believe that you dwell in all
who confess Jesus as the Son of God,

**§ God, today we will open our ears to hear each one
who confesses Jesus as the Son of God.**

God, we believe you invite us
to accept each other as sisters and brothers,

**§ God, today we accept and embrace
all who call themselves by your name.**

God, we believe you call us to love each other
as we do ourselves,

**§ God, with all our hearts,
we will strive to love our brothers and sisters
from every denomination and group.**

God, we believe you ask us to use our gifts
to serve each other in unity and understanding,

**§ God, may we, in a spirit of love and care,
use our gifts to build each other up.**

God, we believe that in unity together
we will come to a full knowledge of Christ,

**§ God, may we grow together into the knowledge
of the One in whom all things work together.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

Sung Responsively

All the Colors of the Rainbow

Carl P. Dow, 2016 / Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, 1813
Congregational Hymn

**All the colors of the rainbow
live unseen in daily light,
but their splendors find expression
when released to human sight.
So the church reveals most beauty
where diversity is real:
breadth of race and class and gender,
room for doubt and space to heal.**

**All the body's parts are wanted,
nor can one despise the rest:
head and hand must work together,
as must eye and ear and chest.
So the church needs all its members
for a range of ministries:
varied gifts with one great mission,
"Do this for the least of these."**

**Teach us, God, our need of others;
through them help us fully live.
Wean us from our selfish habits;
let us listen, learn, forgive.
May we see Your longed-for image
in each human heart and face,
and behold how those around us
can be channels of Your grace.**

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Lesson: *Ephesians 4:1-7, 15-16* Jamie Forshey, reader

I, therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: there is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

Forward By Faith

Words and Music by Cindy Berry ©2003

Chancel Choir Anthem

**Lord, You are the potter and we are the clay.
Mold our lives into vessels for Your service, we pray.
And when we go through the fire,
may You find us strong and true,
As by faith we follow onward,
placing our trust in You.**

*Forward by faith, led by Your hand,
willing to follow Your ev'ry command,
United in spirit, together we stand.
We will go forward by faith.*

**Help us heavenly Father
to walk by faith and not by sight.
Living each day in vict'ry
by the power of Your might.
Lord, work within us, according to Your will,
As we yield our lives in service, Your plans to fulfill.**

{Repeat Chorus}

**Majestically, in victory we'll follow on,
pressing t'ward the heavenly prize
that is ours in the name of Jesus,
The name of Jesus Christ. We'll go...**

{Repeat Chorus}

Prayer for Our Pastor

Jamie Forshey

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

We All Are One in Mission

Rusty Edwards, 1986 / Henry T. Smart, 1835

Congregational Hymn

**We all are one in mission; we all are one in call.
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love.**

**We all are called for service, to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same:
To touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace,
so every folk and nation
may feel God's warm embrace.**

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Now let us be united and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Yes, He Can

Madison Johnson, Logan Cain, Taylor Matz, & Jeff Pardo

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

Sometimes I wonder: is He faithful?
Does He see me in my trouble?
Does He understand?
Sometimes I question if He's able.
Can He rescue? Can He save me again and again?
But when I look back:

Did He move ev'ry mountain?

Did He part ev'ry sea?

Yes, He did, so yes, He can.

Oh, did He defeat the darkness?

Did He deliver me?

Yes, He did, so yes, He can.

Oh, yes, He did, so yes, He can.

'Cause sometimes those voices try to tell me
I'm forgotten and I've fallen
too far from His hands.
But I know what kind of God He is,
and I'm trusting in His promises.
I'm believing and I'm singing: Yes, He can.

{Repeat Chorus}

'Cause I've seen too much; now I can't deny
He's come through ev'ry single time.
From the beginning until the end,
He did, He will, He can. And now, ooh...

Did He move ev'ry mountain?

Did He part ev'ry sea?

Yes, He did, so yes, He can.

Oh, did He defeat the darkness?

Did He deliver me?

Yes, He did, so yes, He can. {Repeat section}

TAG: *Yes, He did, so yes, He can.*

Yes, He did, yes, He can.

Annual Worship Theme September 2025-October 2025

Pillars of Ubuntu



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of October 12, 2025

SYMPATHY

CONCERNS

Those impacted by shootings
People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip
People of Ukraine
Deaf People of Ukraine
Zach & Emma Anderson
Matias Baker
*Cathy Benson
*Jeff Bond
*Tim Bush
David Caffier
Renee Downs
*Jane Drapper
*Jennifer Eden Family
Marion Ford
Carol Anne Fowler
Sterling Green
*Tom Groff
Martha Kallaher
Mark Gruber-Lebowitz
*Jimmy/Linda Hess
Ray Hilt
*George Leet
Debra Leiss
*Donna Lipscomb
Logan
Bob Luedel
*Loretta Mahan
Patrick Mahan
Donald Mahon
Jerry Mahon
Larry Mazzoni
Sean and Adrienne McCullough
Kaitlyn McCutcheon
Mo Madden
*Marv Malone
Bob Mazur
Josh Mikalowski
*Ron Paxton
*Sandy & Glenn Pierce
Quinn Family
*Janene Riley-Spillane-Surgery
*Bill Robbins
Emmalea Ruff
John Ruff
*John Sadler
Jean Safrit
*Irene & Tom Safrit
*Carl Schloegel
*Fred and Sharyn Smith
*Loretta Smith
Beth Toney
Melvin Toney
Rene Toney
Lee Ann Walling
Peggy Waltersdorf
Hudson Walton
Donald Walton
*Deb Weber

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*Tim Whaley
*Tina Whaley
Michael Wills, Sr
*Lynne Wilmer
*Carol Woodcock
*Charlotte Woods
*Claire Worrall
*Tom Worrall
*Michelle Yates
*Linda Miniscako & Jeanne Drake

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

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Melba Bengston, Hospice @ Home
*Ann Chambers, The Moorings
Leon Cromer, Harbor Health
Ken Gilson- Hospice Vermont
*Nancy Hecker Hospice
*Debra Leiss -Hospice
Gary Ralph, Polaris Milford
*Linda Rooney
Quinn Smith
Elaine Trexler
*Janet Yabroff

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Hailye Wilson, USCG Mobile, AL
Luke Wilson, USCG Pascagoula, MS
Zeb Wilson, Travis AFB, CA
Jacob Hudson, USMC Camp Pendleton, CA
Andrew Hudson, US Army, Ft. Bliss, TX

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*Autumn Reynolds-Grad Student Cedar Crest College
*Kristina Alexander, Grad Student Western Governor's U
Callie Juliano, U Conn
Cole Thomas Juliano, UD
Noah Ryan, Delaware Tech
*Thomas Vyas, UD
Griffin Barrows, Marist
Grant Barrows, UNC Charlotte
Hunter Zhang, UD

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Minister to Deaf and Hard of Hearing: [Sandy Roca](#)

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