



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, November 9, 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* ~

Children of God

Mac Powell, Tai Anderson, David Carr & Mark Lee
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Praise Team

Praise to the Father of our lord Jesus Christ,
Our God and our king; to Him we will sing.
In his great mercy He has given us life;
Now we can be called the children of God.
Great is the love that the Father has given us;
He has delivered us, he has delivered us!

*Children of God, sing your song and rejoice
for the love that He has given us all.*

*Oh, children of God through the grace of His Son,
we have been redeemed, and we can be called:
Children of God, children of God.*

The mystery is revealed to the universe;
the Father above has proven His love.
Now we are free from the judgment that we deserve,
so we are called the children of God.
Great is the love that the Father has given us;
He has delivered us, he has delivered us!

{Chorus} [instrumental]

We are the saints, we are the children,
we've been redeemed, we've been forgiven;
We are the sons and daughters of our God.
We are the saints, we are the children,
we've been redeemed, we've been forgiven;
We are the sons and daughters of our God.

{Chorus} Children of God. Children of God!

We are the saints, we are the children,
we've been redeemed, we've been forgiven;
We are the sons and daughters of our God.
We are the saints, we are the children,
we've been redeemed, we've been forgiven;
We are the sons and daughters of our God.

Mighty to Save

Ben Fielding & Reuben Morgan, 2010
Praise Team / Chancel Choir

Everyone needs compassion,
Love that's never failing. Let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness,
the kindness of a Savior. The hope of nations.

Savior, He can move the mountains.

My God is mighty to save.

God is mighty to save.

Forever, author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave.

Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as you find me,
all my fears and failures. Fill my life again.
I give my life to follow,
everything I believe in. Now I surrender.

{Refrain twice}

Shine your light and let the whole world see.
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.
Jesus, shine your light,
and let the whole world see.

We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

Savior, He can move the mountains.

My God is mighty to save.

*God is mighty to save.
Forever, author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave.
Jesus conquered the grave.*

*You're my Savior, You can move the mountains.
God, You are mighty to save.
You are mighty to save.
Forever, author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave.
Jesus conquered the grave.
You are mighty to save.*

Welcome

Gwen Osborne

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

Mickie McManamon

Rejoice, the Lord is King

*Charles Wesley, 1746 / John Darvall, 1770
Congregational Hymn*

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore.
Mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice; again I say, rejoice.*

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Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love.
When He had purged our stains,
He took His seat above. *{Refrain}*

His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven.
The keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given.
{Refrain}

Prayers of the People

Tim Bush

Loving God,

Justice and kindness make for peace.
Justice and kindness are for healing the hurts in ourselves,
our relationships, and in the world.

Many people around us and in this world
suffer deprivation and persecution.
Creator God, help us prevent suffering where we can
and in ways that show your love for all creation.
Help us to care for those who suffer.

Many people around us and in this world experience hurt,
grief, brokenness, and sorrow.
Loving God, help us to recognize when we are part
of what brings pain, grief, and brokenness to others.
Help us to act in healthy and loving ways
with our friends and neighbors, with strangers
and enemies.
Help us to love others as ourselves.
Help us to love ourselves as You love us.

Many people around us and in this world are silent victims
and unable to bring about healing for themselves
and their loved ones.
Sustaining God, help us to speak the truth
with love and humility.
Help us to advocate for justice
for those unable to speak for themselves.
Guide us as we seek ways to bring healing for others
in a world filled with sickness and destruction.

Sustain us with your love and bless us with hope
for those times when we feel the job is too big
and the work will never be finished.

Justice and kindness make for peace and healing.
Loving God, let it begin with me. AMEN

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

The Lord's Prayer

Sung Responsively

Your Love, O God

Anders Frostenson, 1968 / Jean Sibelius, 1899

**Your love, O God, is broad like beach and meadow,
wide as the wind, and our eternal home.**

**You leave us free to seek You or reject You,
You give us room to answer "yes" or "no."**

*Your love, O God, is broad like beach and meadow,
Wide as the wind, and our eternal home.*

**We long for freedom where our truest being
is given hope and courage to unfold.
We seek in freedom space and scope for dreaming,
and look for ground where trees and plants can grow.**

{Refrain}

But there are walls that keep us all divided;
we fence each other in with hate and war,
Fear is the bricks and mortar of our prison,
our pride of self, the prison coat we wear.

{Refrain}

O judge us, Lord, and in Your judgment free us,
and set our feet in freedom's open space;
Take us as far as Your compassion wanders
among the children of the human race.

{Refrain}

Lesson: *James 4:7-14*

Kathryn Burgwin, reader

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Lament and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy into dejection. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Do not speak evil against one another, brothers and sisters. Whoever speaks evil against another or judges another speaks evil against the law and judges the law, but if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. There is one lawgiver and judge who is able to save and to destroy. So who, then, are you to judge your neighbor?

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a town and spend a year there, doing business and making money." Yet you do not even know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, "If the Lord wishes, we will live and do this or that." As it is, you boast in your arrogance; all such boasting is evil. Anyone, then, who knows the right thing to do and fails to do it commits sin.

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

Song of Celebration

Words and Music by Allen Pote ©1987

Chancel Choir Anthem

My heart is steadfast O God.

I will make melody and sing.

I will give thanks among the people, O God.

Awake, my soul, and sing. {Repeat section}

I will love kindness, seek justice,
I will walk humbly with thee.
I will walk in love, walk in the light,
I will walk humbly with thee. *{Refrain}*

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.
Let Your glory fill the earth.
For Your steadfast love is great above the heavens,
Your faithfulness reaches to the skies. *{Refrain}*

We Pray for Our Pastor

Kathryn Burgwin

Sermon

Gwen Osborne, LLC

O God of Every Nation

William W. Reid, Jr., 1958 / Welsh hymn melody

O God of every nation,
of every race and land,
redeem Your whole creation
with Your almighty hand;
where hate and fear divide us,
and bitter threats are hurled,

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in love and mercy guide us
and heal our strife-torn world.

From search for wealth and power
and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower
destruction through the night,
from pride of race and station
and blindness to Your way,
deliver every nation,
eternal God, we pray.

Lord, strengthen all who labor
that all may find release
from fear of rattling saber,
from dread of war's increase.
When hope and courage falter,
Lord, let Your voice be heard;
with faith that none can alter,
Your servants undergird.

Keep bright in us the vision
of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division
give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious
when truth and justice reign,
and Christ shall rule victorious
o'er all the world's domain.

Benediction

Gwen Osborne

My Feet Are on the Rock

Josh Bronleewe, Abbie Parker, Lindsey Sweat & Matthew Hein

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

I can see the clouds roll in,
I can feel the winds they try to shake me.
I will not be moved,
my feet are on the Rock.
I can feel the waters rise,
I can hear the howling lies that haunt me.
Fear won't hold me now,
my feet are on the Rock.

*When I feel my hope about to break,
I will cling to Your unchanging grace.
Let the waters come and the earth give way,
I'll be dancing in the rain.
My feet are on the Rock.*

I can see the morning light,
I can feel the joy on the horizon.
Here my faith is found.
I stand on solid ground.

{Repeat Chorus}

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand.
All other ground is sinking sand.
So stomp your feet and clap your hands,
our feet are on the Rock.

{Repeat Bridge 2x}

*When I feel my hope about to break,
I will cling to Your unchanging grace.
Let the waters come and the earth give way,
I'll be dancing in the rain.
When I feel my hope about to break,
I will cling to Your unchanging grace.*

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*Let the waters come and the earth give way,
I'll be dancing in the rain.
My feet are on the Rock.
My feet are on the Rock.
My feet are on the Rock.*

Annual Worship Theme October 2025-November 2025

One Another Invitations

Hide & Seek
All Together
Now
Til Death
Do Us Part
Say Something
Nice
Table Manners
Love Our Way

Second Fall Series
Oct. 19 - Nov. 23

One Another
Invitations

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I AM BECAUSE WE ARE

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United Methodist Church

Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of November 9, 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
Dave
David Caffier
*Rob Cline
Donna and Bill Crnkovich
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
Janis Lunn
*Loretta Mahan
Patrick Mahan
Donald Mahon
Jerry Mahon
*Stephanie Manos
Larry Mazzoni
Sean and Adrienne McCullough
Kaitlyn McCutcheon
Mo Madden
*Marv Malone
Bob Mazur
Josh Mikalouski
*Dotti Outland
*Ron Paxton
*Sandy & Glenn Pierce
Quinn Family
*Janene Riley-Spillane-Surgery
*Bill Robbins
Bill Roche
Emmalea Ruff
John Ruff
*John Sadler
Jean Safrit
*Irene & Tom Safrit
*Carl Schloegel
*Fred and Sharyn Smith
*Loretta Smith
Beth Toney

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Melvin Toney
Rene Toney
Lee Ann Walling
Peggy Waltersdorf
Hudson Walton
Donald Walton
*Deb Weber
*Suzanne Weidner
*Tim Whaley
*Tina Whaley
Michael Wills, Sr
*Lynne Wilmer
*Carol Woodcock
*Charlotte Woods
*Claire Worrall
*Tom Worrall
*Michelle Yates
*Jean Young Palliative Care
*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 Salisbury
*Debra Leiss -Hospice Home
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*Linda Rooney
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*Janet Yabroff

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Hailye Wilson, USCG Mobile, AL
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Callie Juliano, U Conn
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