



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers
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Sunday, February 8, 2026



Welcome to Epworth Worship
Sunday 9:50 am
in-person and online

9:50 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* ~

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}

I Am

David Crowder & Ed Cash, 2013
Praise Team / Chancel Choir

There's no space God's love can't reach.
There's no place where we can't find peace.
There's no end to amazing grace.
Take me in with your arms spread wide.
Take me in like an orphaned child.
Never let go, never leave my side.
*I am holding on to you.
I am holding on to you.
In the middle of the storm,
I am holding on, I am.*

Love like this, oh, my God, to find.
I am overwhelmed; what a joy divine.
Love like this sets our hearts on fire. *{Chorus}*

This is my resurrection song.
This is my "Hallelujah, come!"
This is why it's to You I run.
This is my resurrection song.
This is my "Hallelujah, come!"
This is why it's to You I run.

There's no space God's love can't reach.
There's no place where we can't find peace.
There's no end to amazing grace...
*I am holding on to you.
I am holding on to you.
In the middle of the storm,
I am holding on,
I am holding on to you.*

*I am holding on to you.
In the middle of the storm,
I am holding on,
I am holding on to you.
I am holding on to you.
In the middle of the storm,
I am holding on, I am. (Oh, oh.)
I am. (Oh, oh.)
In the middle of the storm,
I am holding on, I am.*

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

Deep (Way Down)

Traditional Spiritual

Arr. by Nicol Smith, Todd Smith, Allan Hall & Steve Smallman

Praise Team / Chancel Choir

**Deep, way down deep,
way down deep, down in my heart.
Oh, deep, way down deep,
way down deep, down in my heart.
*I've got the love of Jesus.
I've got the love of Jesus,
I've got the love of Jesus,
and it's deep down in my heart.***

**Oh, deep, way down deep,
way down deep, down in my heart.
Oh, deep, way down deep,
way down deep, down in my heart.
*I've got the peace of Jesus.
I've got the peace of Jesus,
I've got the peace of Jesus,
and it's deep down in my heart.***

**Oh, deep, way down deep,
way down deep, down in my heart.
Oh, deep, way down deep,
way down deep, down in my heart.
*I've got the joy of Jesus.
I've got the joy of Jesus,
I've got the joy of Jesus,
and it's deep down in my heart.***

*I've got the love of Jesus.
I've got the peace of Jesus,
I've got the joy of Jesus,
and it's deep down in my heart.
Deep down in my heart.
Deep down in my heart.*

Kid's Time

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923 / William M. Runyan, 1923

Congregational Hymn

**Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
as Thou hast been Thou forever will be.**

***Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand has provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

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Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

{Refrain}

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

{Refrain}

Prayers of the People Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

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: *Matthew 5:21-26*

Rob Linder

“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder,’ and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment, and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council, and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

Jesus is My Song of Grace

Words and Music by Joseph M. Martin ©2002

This is my story, this is my song.

**From the heights of heaven's glory
to the depths of earth's despair,
Came a love song in the darkness,
came a song beyond compare.**

And from a humble stable

God sang His lullaby;

A song of peace, a song of joy,

the music of the skies.

This shall be my alleluia.

This shall be my highest praise.

Let my ev'ry word and deed proclaim it.

Let me sing it all my days.

This shall be my benediction.

This shall be my dying phrase.

This shall be my alleluia.

Jesus is my song of grace.

**From the golden streets of heaven
to the shore of Galilee**

Came a love song for all people, the music of eternity.

And from a wooden cross

God sang His song of grace,

And filled the world with the sound of hope

and everlasting praise. *{Refrain}*

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For the Healing of the Nations

Fred Kaan, 1965 / Henry T. Smart, 1867

Congregational Hymn

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords;
to a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom;
from despair Your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned;
pride of status, race, or schooling,
dogmas that obscure Your plan.
In our common quest for justice
may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written
Your great name on humankind;
for our growing in Your likeness
bring the life of Christ to mind,
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Bo 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
January 11 - February 15, 2026

Enlightening Our
Disagreements



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of February 8, 2026

SYMPATHY

To Debbie and David Bengston, family and friends, on the death of their mother, Melda Bengston.

CONCERNS

Those impacted by shootings

People in conflict of Israel and Gaza Strip

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Arletta

Marie Ahern

Zach & Emma Anderson

Matias Baker

Barcus Family

Rev. Meg Barnhouse

*Cathy Benson

Michael Bedard

*Jeff Bond

Boshart Famil

Brint and Lynne

Brooke and Ralph

*Tim Bush

Dave

David Caffier

*Rob Cline

Donna and Bill Crnkovich

Renee Downs

*Jane Drapper

*Jennifer Eden Family

Carilyle Erich

Deb Ferlitto and Mother

Coleson Alexander Fillmore

Marion Ford

Carol Anne Fowler

Sterling Green

*Tom Groff

Toni Groff

*Clella Harp

Jerich Hasieber

Kathy Hertley

Martha Kallaher

Mark Gruber-Lebowitz

*Jimmy/Linda Hess

Ray Hilt

Connie Ann Holms-Tatom

Diane Kelly

Mary Ann King

Anya Klein

*George Leet

*Rob Linder

*Donna Lipscomb

Logan

Bob Luedel

Janis Lunn

*Loretta Mahan

Patrick Mahan

Donald Mahon

Jerry Mahon

*Stephanie Manos

Sean and Adrienne McCullough

Kaitlyn McCutcheon

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Mo Madden
*Marv Malone
Bob Mazur
Ellen McKeon
Josh Mikalowski
Perry James Psaros
*Ron Paxton
Wayne Perry
*Sandy & Glenn Pierce
Price Family
Quinn Family
*Janene Riley-Spillane-
*Bill Robbins
Bill Roche
Emmalea Ruff
John Ruff
*John Sadler
Jean Safrit
*Irene & Tom Safrit
*Carl Schloegel
*Loretta Smith
Owen Thompson
Beth Toney
Rene Toney
Steven Trantum
Lee Ann Walling
Peggy Waltersdorf
Hudson Walton
Donald Walton
*Deb Weber
*Suzanne Weidner
Wendy
*Tim Whaley
*Tina Whaley
Michael Wills, Sr
*Lynne Wilmer
*Carol Woodcock
*Charlotte Woods
*Claire Worrall
*Tom Worrall
*Michelle Yates
*Linda Miniscako & Jeanne Drake
Don Ziegler

***Church Members**

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

*Ann Chambers, The Moorings
Leon Cromer, Harbor Health
Ken Gilson- Hospice Vermont
*Nancy Hecker Hospice Salisbury
*Debra Leiss -Hospice Home
Gary Ralph, Polaris Milford
*Linda Rooney
*Fred and Sharyn Smith Prayers
Quinn Smith
Elaine Trexler
*Janet Yabroff
Jean Young
Maddie
Luke
Phillip

Servicemen/Women:

Michael Sakurai Wills, US Army Ft. Jackson, Alaska

Hailye Wilson, USCG Mobile, AL

Luke Wilson, USCG Pascagoula, MS

Zeb Wilson, Dover AFB, DE

Stephanie Wilson, Lexington, KY

Jacob Hudson, USMC Camp Pendleton, CA

Andrew Hudson, US Army, Ft. Bliss, TX

College/Grad Students

*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

Epworth Ministry Organization



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