



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers
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Sunday, May 10, 2026

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1 Kings 17



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

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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 ~

Precious Love

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

There is forgiveness flowing down
from where the Savior died.

The Son of Man upon the tree,
exchanging death for life.

See Him there in innocence,
the body and the blood.

Behold the King, crucified,
spotless Lamb of God.

*Oh, the precious love of Jesus,
oh, the fount of grace divine.*

*Flowing as a mighty river,
washing sinners in its tide.*

*There will never be another
in whose name we are redeemed.*

*Oh, the precious love of Jesus,
flowing over you and me.*

Sin and death crushed underneath,
the weight of nail-pierced hands.

He plundered hell and tore the veil
as creation held its breath.

Then on the morning of the third,
the Son began to rise.

Up from the grave, victorious,

Hallelujah, He's alive! *{Refrain}*

He is worthy, He is worthy,
worthy is the Lamb.

Sing forever, Hallelujah!

Worthy is the Lamb. *{Repeat section - Refrain}*

TAG: *Oh, the precious love of Jesus,
flowing over you and me.*

Alive & 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}

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

Rise Up (Lazarus)

*Madison Cain, Logan Cain, Taylor Cain, Ethan Hulse,
& Nick Schwarz ©2020 Be Essential Music
Praise Team / Chancel Choir*

In the dark and all alone, growing comfort'ble.
Are you too scared to move
and walk out of this tomb?
Buried underneath the lies that you believed.
Safe and sound, stuck in the ground,
too lost to be found.
You're just asleep, and it's time to leave.

*Come on and rise up!
Take a breath; you're alive now.
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us
out from the grave like Lazarus?
You're brand-new.
The pow'r of death couldn't hold you.
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us
out from the grave like Lazarus?
Rise up! Rise up! Rise up,
out from the grave like Lazarus.*

When He said your name,
the thing that filled your veins was more than blood.
It's the kind of love that washes sin away.
Now the door is open wide
and the stone's been rolled aside.
The old is gone; the light has come.

*So, come on and rise up!
Take a breath; you're alive now!
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us
out from the grave like Lazarus?
You're brand-new.
The pow'r of death couldn't hold you.
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us
out from the grave like Lazarus?
Rise up! Rise up! Rise up,
out from the grave like Lazarus.*

He's calling us to walk out of the dark.
He's giving us new resurrected hearts, oh.
He's calling us to walk out of the dark.
He's giving us new resurrected hearts, oh.

*Come on and rise up!
Take a breath; you're alive now.
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us
out from the grave like Lazarus?
You're brand-new.
The pow'r of death couldn't hold you.
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us
out from the grave like Lazarus?
Rise up! Rise up! Rise up,
out from the grave like Lazarus.
Rise up! Rise up! Rise up,
out from the grave like Lazarus.*

Revive Us Again*William P. Mackay / John J. Husband, 1863*

Congregational Hymn

We praise You, O God, for the Son of Your love,
For Jesus who died and is now gone above.

*Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Hallelujah, amen!**Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again.*

We praise You, O God, for Your Spirit of light,
Who has shown us our Savior and banished our night.

{Refrain}

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,
Who has taken our sins and has cleansed every stain.

{Refrain}

Revive us again – fill each heart with Your love;
May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.

*{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***Because He Lives***William & Gloria Gaither, 1971*

Congregational Hymn

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus;
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow;**because He lives, all fear is gone;**Because I know He holds the future,**and life is worth the living just because He lives.*

How sweet to hold a new-born baby,
and feel the joy that Jesus gives;
But greater still the calm assurance,
this child can face uncertain days because He lives.

{Refrain}

And then one day I'll cross the river;
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.

*{Refrain}***Lesson:** *1 Kings 17:8-24* RuthAnn Barnes, reader

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake

of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. She then said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!” But he said to her, “Give me your son.” He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. He cried out to the Lord, “O Lord my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?” Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried out to the Lord, “O Lord my God, let this child’s life come into him again.” The Lord listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, “See, your son is alive.” So the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth.”

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

Lord, I Lift My Eyes to You

Words from Psalm 123 / Music by Dana Mengel, 2005

Chancel Choir Anthem

Lord, I lift my eyes to you, you who gave me sight,
So that I could see your illumining,
beautiful and bright.

Lord, I lift my voice to you, with a prayerful song,
And with gratitude give my praise to you,
my immortal God.

I: Lord, I lift my eyes to you

*and praise you for your works and wonders
shown to me.*

Gloria! Hallelujah!

I forever will proclaim your might and majesty!

You are comfort to all who mourn;
you defend the weak.

You deliver the captive poor; you exalt the meek!

*II: Lord, I lift my hands to you, you who lifted me
High above my shame and my mortal pain,
my captivity.*

Lord, I lift my eyes to you, and to you alone.

*All your works are great
and in every way lovely to behold.*

{Repeat Chorus I twice}

TAG: *I forever will proclaim your might and majesty!
Hallelujah!*

Prayer for Our Pastor

RuthAnn Barnes

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

Child of God

Barney E. Warren

Congregational Hymn

Praise the Lord! My heart with His love is beaming,
I am a child of God;
Heaven’s golden light over me is streaming,

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I am a child of God.

*I am a child of God, I am a child of God;
I have washed my robes in the cleansing fountain,
I am a child of God.*

Let the saints rejoice with my raptured spirit,
I am a child of God;
I will testify that the world may hear it,
I am a child of God. *{Refrain}*

Let a holy life tell the gospel story,
I am a child of God;
How He fills the soul with His grace and glory,
I am a child of God. *{Refrain}*

Saved from sin today, every band is riven,
I am a child of God;
Through the tests of life I have peace from heaven,
I am a child of God. *{Refrain}*

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

The River

Jordan Felix, Joshua Silverberg, & Colby Wedgenorth

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

I know a place, where we can go,
to lay the troubles down eatin' your soul,
I know a place, where mercy flows,
take the stains, make you whiter than snow.
Like a tide, it is risin' up,
deep inside, a current that moves
and makes it come alive.
Living water that brings the dead to life. Oh, oh.
*We're goin' down to the river,
down to the river, down to the river to pray.
Let's get washed by the water,
washed by the water
and rise up in amazing grace.
Let's go down, down, down, to the river.
You will leave changed.
Let's go down, down, down, to the river.
Never the same.*

I've seen it move, in my own life,
took me from dusty roads into paradise.
All of my dirt, all of my shame,
drowned in the streams
that've made me born again.
Like a tide, it is risin' up, deep inside,
a current that moves and makes it come alive.
Living water that brings the dead to life. Oh, oh.
{Refrain}

Let's go down. (oo... oo... oo...)
Let's go down. (oo... oo... oo...)
Let's go down. *{Refrain}*

Oh, down. (oo... oo... oo...)
Gotta go, gotta go,
gotta go down in amazing grace.
Down, down, down to the river.
Gotta go, gotta go,
gotta go down in amazing grace.

Annual Worship Theme

April 12 - May 24, 2026

All Things in Common



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of May 10, 2026

SYMPATHY

To Bishop Susan Morrison, family and friends, on the death of her partner, Jean Young.

CONCERNS

Those impacted by shootings

Conflict in middle east

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Arletta

Marie Ahern

Zach & Emma Anderson

Matias Baker

Barcus Family

Rev. Meg Barnhouse

Toni Barnes

*Cathy Benson

Michael Bedard

*Jeff Bond

Boshart Family

Brint and Lynne

Brooke and Ralph

*Tim Bush

Dave

David Caffier

Bill Casey

Claire Connelly

Connie

Donna and Bill Crnkovich

Jeanny Delaspira

Tom Donnachie

Renee Downs

*Jane Drapper

Sylvie Drew

*Jennifer Eden Family

Carilyle Erich

Victoria Farrell

Deb Ferlitto and Mother

Coleson Alexander Fillmore

Marion Ford

Carol Anne Fowler

Sterling Green

Greenan

Calvin Griffiths

*Tom Groff

Toni Groff

Jerich Hasieber

Sheila Hass

Kathy Hertley

Martha Kallaher

Mark Gruber-Lebowitz

*Jimmy/Linda Hess

Ray Hilt

Connie Ann Holms-Tatom

Diane Kelly

Patricia Kelley

Mary Ann King

Anya Klein

*Barb Kurtz

*George Leet

*Rob Linder

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Logan
Bob Luedel
Janis Lunn
*Loretta Mahan
Patrick Mahan
Donald Mahon
Jerry Mahon
Kathleen Mahon
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Ellen McKeon
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*Bob Paulen
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*Sandy & Glenn Pierce
Price Family
Quinn Family
Gary Ralph
*Janene Riley-Spillane
*Keith Riley-Spillane
*Bill Robbins
Bill Roche
Emmalea Ruff
John Ruff
*John Sadler
Jean Safrit
*Irene & Tom Safrit
*Carl Schloegel
*Loretta Smith
Owen Thompson
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Rene Toney
Steven Trantum
Lee Ann Walling
Peggy Waltersdorf
Hudson Walton
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Beverly Waugh
*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
Mary Beth and Luke
Bob and Dick

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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
*Linda Rooney
*Fred and Sharyn Smith
Quinn Smith
*Charlotte Woods
Elaine Trexler
*Janet Yabroff
Maddie
Luke
Phillip

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Hailye Wilson, USCG Mobile, AL
Luke Wilson, USCG Pascagoula, MS
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Stephanie Wilson, USCG Lexington, KY
Jacob Hudson, USMC Camp Pendleton, CA
Andrew Hudson, US Army, Ft. Bliss, TX

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