



EPWORTH REHOBOTH BEACH

Worship Order, Announcements & Prayers

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Sunday, August 2, 2026



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 ~

Dream Small

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

It's a momma singin' songs about the Lord.
It's a daddy spendin' fam'ly time
the world said he cannot afford.
These simple moments change the world.

It's a pastor at a tiny little church.
Forty years of lovin' on the broken and the hurt
These simple moments change the world.

Dream small.

Don't buy the lie you've gotta do it all.

*Just let Jesus use you where you are,
one day at a time.*

Live well, loving God and others as yourself.

Find little ways where only you can help.

*With His great love,
a tiny rock can make a giant fall.*

Dream small.

It's visiting the widow down the street
Or dancin' on a Friday
with your friend with special needs.
These simple moments change the world.

Of course, there's nothin' wrong with bigger dreams;
Just don't miss the minutes
on your way to bigger things.
'Cause these simple moments change the world.

{Repeat Chorus}

Keep loving, keep serving,
keep list'ning, keep learning,
Keep praying, keep hoping,
keep seeking, keep searching.
Add up the small things
and watch them grow bigger.
The God who does all things
makes oceans from rivers.

So, dream small.

Don't buy the lie you've gotta do it all.

*Just let Jesus use you where you are,
one day at a time.*

Live well, loving God and others as yourself.

Find little ways where only you can help.

*With His great love,
a tiny rock can make a giant fall.*

*Yeah, five loaves and two fish
could feed them all, so dream small.*

Dream small.

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}*

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

God Is On The Move

Cliff Williams, Ian Eskelin, Mikey Howard, & Tony Wood

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Praise Team / Chancel Choir

Anytime a heart turns from darkness to light,
anytime temptation comes
and someone stands to fight,
anytime somebody lives
to serve and not be served,
I know, I know, I know, I know:

God is on the move, on the move, Hallelujah!

God is on the move in many mighty ways.

God is on the move, on the move, Hallelujah!

God is on the move, on the move today.

Anytime in weakness
someone falls upon their knees
or dares to speak the truth that sets us free,
anytime the choice is made
to stand upon the Word,
I know, I know, I know, I know: *{Chorus}*

I see a generation standing on the truth.
In each and ev'ry nation, God is on the move.

Anytime the gospel stirs a searching soul,
and someone says, "Send me. Here I go."
I know, I know, I know, I know: *{Chorus twice}*

I see a generation standing on the truth.
In each and ev'ry nation, God is on the move.

Kid's Time

Jesu, Jesu

Tom Colvin, 1969 / Ghana folk song

Congregational Hymn

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love,
show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.*

Kneels at the feet of His friends,
silently washes their feet,

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Master who acts as a slave to them. *{Refrain}*

Neighbors are rich and poor,
neighbors are black and white,
neighbors are near and far away. *{Refrain}*

These are the ones we should serve,
these are the ones we should love,
all these are neighbors to us and you. *{Refrain}*

Lesson: *Luke 1:26-38*

Rob Linder, reader

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

May this scripture inspire us all...

§ to walk in the way that leads to life.

God, You Made Us in Your Image

Quoting "Beach Spring" - Words by Stephen Andrews;

Adapted by Lloyd Larson ©1998

Chancel Choir Anthem

God, you made us in your image,
placed us here to live these days.
Teach us how to live your image
in our words and in our ways.
Help us feel the needs of others,
keep us open to observe.
Help us know how best to answer
when we hear your call to serve.

All around us people suffer,
homeless, hungry, sick, afraid.
How, we wonder, can this happen
in a world that You have made?
What should we, the blessed and happy,
do for those who suffer so?
Teach us, lead us, give us vision,
help us share the good we know.

We know love of friends and family,
we are clothed and warmed and fed.
We are blessed with good and plenty
fearing not what lies ahead.
Surely those who share our cities
also share your love and care.
Help us, God, to share your caring
with your loved ones everywhere. *{Repeat VI}*

We Pray for Our Pastor

Rob Linder

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Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee

Charles Wesley, 1749 / George J. Elvey, 1858

Congregational Hymn

Jesus, Lord, we look to Thee;
let us in Your name agree;
show Yourself the Prince of Peace,
bid our strife forever cease.
By Your reconciling love
every stumbling block remove;
each to each unite, endear;
come, and spread Your banner here.

Let us for each other care,
each the other's burdens bear;
to Your church the pattern give,
show how true believers live.
Let us then with joy remove
to the family above;
on the wings of angels fly,
show how true believers die.

Make us of one heart and mind,
gentle, courteous, and kind,
lowly, meek, in thought and word,
altogether like our Lord.
Free from anger and from pride,
let us thus in God abide;
all the depths of love express,
all the heights of holiness.

Prayer of Confession / Words of Assurance

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

§ And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

§ We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

§ It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to You,
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth...

...And so, with your people on earth
and all the company of heaven
we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:
§ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed are those who come
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

...as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

§ Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.

...Through your Son, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory are Yours, Almighty God,
now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Spoken

Music during Communion:

Communion Alleluia

Words by Gene Grier / Music by Gene Grier & Lowell Everson

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Chancel Choir

Take and eat the bread, life-giving,
drink the wine: our faith renewed.
Body, blood and spirit living,
God with us in all we do.
In remembrance, Lord, of You.

This, a day of new beginning,
give us strength to follow through.
Fill our hearts with praise, thanksgiving,
songs of joy and honor, too.
In remembrance, Lord, of you.

Alleluia, alleluia! Take and eat this bread of life.
Alleluia, alleluia! Live in Jesus Christ!
Alleluia, alleluia! Drink the wine of sacrifice.
Alleluia, alleluia! Live in Jesus Christ!

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

Good God Almighty

David Crowder, Ben Glover, & Jeff Sojka ©2021 9 T One Songs

Praise Team / Chancel Choir

I can't count the times I've called
Your name some broken night.
And You showed up and patched me up
like You do every time.
I get amnesia,
I forget that You keep coming around.
Yeah, ain't no way You'll ever let me down.
*Good God Almighty, I hope You'll find me,
praising Your name, no matter what comes.
'Cause I know where I'd be
without Your mercy,
so I keep praising Your name
at the top of my lungs.
Tell me, is He good? (He's good.)
Tell me, is He God? (He's God.)
He is Good God Almighty.*

You say Your love goes on forever,
that Your mercy never stops.
So why would I assume You'd be
somebody that You're not?
Like sun in the morning,
I know You're gonna be there every day.
So what on earth could make me be afraid?

{Refrain}

Praise Him in the morning,
praise Him in the noontime,
praise Him when the sun goes down.
Love Him in the morning,
love Him in the noontime,
love Him when the sun goes down.

{Refrain}

Jesus in the morning, Jesus in the noontime,
Jesus when the sun goes down.
Jesus in the morning, Jesus in the noontime,
Jesus when the sun goes down.

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Annual Worship Theme

July 19 - September 6, 2026

The Beatitudes



Joys and Concerns for your prayers this Week of August 2, 2026

SYMPATHY

To Sandra Waldee-Warden and her wife Lori, family and friends,
on the death of her step-mother Clair Connelly.

CONCERNS

Those impacted by shootings

Conflict in middle east

People of Ukraine

Deaf People of Ukraine

Arletta

Marie Ahern

Barcus Family

Rev. Meg Barnhouse

Charlie Barnes

Toni Barnes

*Linda Benderhilt

*Cathy Benson

Michael Bedard

*Jeff Bond

Boshart Family

Brint and Lynne

Brooke and Ralph

*Tim Bush

Dave

David Caffier

Bill Casey

Nicolette Coffey

Larry Collins

Claire Connelly

Connie

Donna and Bill Crnkovich

Jeanny Delaspira

Tom Donnachie

Renee Downs

*Jane Drapper

Sylvie Drew

*Jennifer Eden Family

Carilyle Erich

Katherine Erlanger

Victoria Farrell

Deb Ferlitto and Mother

Ron Fagnilli

Coleson Alexander Fillmore

Marion Ford

Carol Anne Fowler

*Sterling Green

Greenan

Calvin Griffiths

*Tom Groff

Toni Groff

*Clella Harp

Jerich Hasieber

Sheila Hass

Kathy Hertley

Martha Kallaher

Mark Gruber-Lebowitz

*Jimmy/Linda Hess

Ray Hilt

Connie Ann Holms-Tatom

Diane Kelly

Patricia Kelley

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Mary Ann King
Anya Klein
Stacy Kotch-Jester
*Barb Kurtz
Lauren
*George Leet
Ranger Linder
*Rob Linder
Val Linder
*Donna Lipscomb
Logan
Bob Luedel
Janis Lunn
Mo Madden
*Loretta Mahan
Patrick Mahan
Donald Mahon
Jerry Mahon
*Marv Malone
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Bob Mazur
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Kaitlyn McCutcheon
Ellen McKeon
*Missy Mehring
Josh Mikalowski
Frank Milligan
Robert Morris
Russ Mullen
*Ron Paxton
*Bob Paulen
*Kevin Pelland
Wayne Perry
*Sandy & Glenn Pierce
Price Family
Quinn Family
Gary Ralph
*Janene Riley-Spillane
*Keith Riley-Spillane
*Bill Robbins
Bill Roche
Marty Rockey
Emmalea Ruff
John Ruff
*John Sadler
Jean Safrin
*Carl Schloegel
*Loretta Smith
*Susie Spencer
Melanie and John Steinmetz
Carol Streets
Tony
Owen Thompson
Rene Toney
Steven Trantum
*Rose Verona
Lee Ann Walling
Peggy Waltersdorf
Hudson Walton
Donald Walton
*Deb Weber
*Suzanne Weidner
*Karen West
Wendy

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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
Don Ziegler
Mary Beth and Luke
Bob and Dick
Rob
Tom and Pat
Shaggy
Wesley

***Church Members**

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

*Ann Chambers, The Moorings
*Irene & Tom Safrit—Irene Hospice at Home
Leon Cromer, Harbor Health
Ken Gilson- Hospice Vermont
*Nancy Hecker Hospice Salisbury
*Debra Leiss -Hospice Home
Phil Wolf—Hospice
*Linda Rooney
*Fred and Sharyn Smith
Quinn Smith
*Charlotte Woods
Elaine Trexler
*Janet Yabroff
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, USAF Dover AFB, DE
Stephanie Wilson, USCG Lexington, KY
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

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