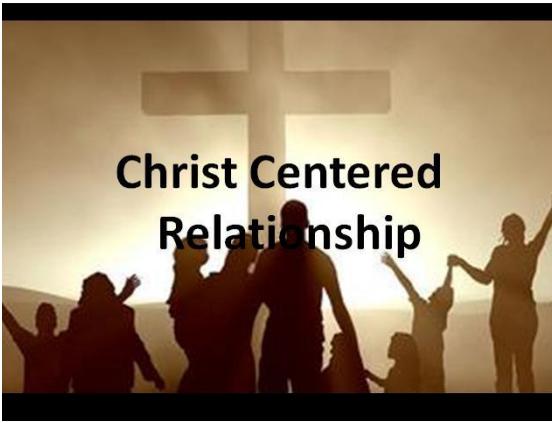


Worship Celebration: February 10, 2019

EPWORTH: a United Methodist Church

9:15 a.m. (CONTEMPORARY)

5th Sunday after Epiphany (Year C)

Welcome to Epworth! We continue this week with our Sermon Series on dealing with relationships. Our focus this week is on marriages and partnerships. Our scripture this week calls for us to imitate God in how God dearly loves us. We are called to be sacrificial in our partnered relationships. Come join us as we look at this Epistle written by Paul. We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today and hope you find our faith community welcoming.

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VISION: Exploring Faith, Embracing Community

MISSION: Inviting All, Finding Your Place, Connecting to God, Demonstrating Care

☪ ENTER GOD'S HOUSE WITH PRAISE ☪

Praise Gathering

BEAUTIFUL ONE

Wonderful, so wonderful is Your unfailing love.
Your cross has spoken mercy over me
No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no heart could fully know
how glorious, how beautiful You are!

Beautiful One I love, Beautiful One I adore.

Beautiful One my soul must sing.

Powerful, so powerful, Your glory fills the skies,
Your mighty works displayed for all to see.
The beauty of Your majesty awakes my heart to sing:
How marvelous, how wonderful You are! (Refrain 2X)

You opened my eyes to Your wonders anew,
You captured my heart with this love;
'Cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You. (repeat) {Refrain}

My soul, my soul must sing. My soul, my soul must sing.
My soul, my soul must sing. Beautiful One. *(repeat) (Refrain 2x)*¹

Greeting, Sharing the Mission & Ministry of Epworth

Vicky

*Passing the Peace

*Singing in Praise

GOD IS ON THE MOVE

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: *{Refrain}*

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: *(refrain 2X; bridge)*²

Children's Celebration

Terre Walton

☞ BE SHAPED BY GOD'S WORD ☞

JESUS LOVES ME ...arr. Michael Glasgow

Memorial Bell Choir

☞ We Engage the Word ☞

Psalm Lesson

Psalm 139:1-7, 23-24

Alice Mazur

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.
You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.
Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.
See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Epistle Lesson

Ephesians 5:20-33

Giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord.

For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Savior.

Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought to be, in everything, to their husbands.

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, so as to present the church to himself in splendor, without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind—yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish.

In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they do their own bodies.

He who loves his wife loves himself.

For no one ever hates his own body, but he nourishes and tenderly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, because we are members of his body.

“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”

This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church.

Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband.

Brothers and Sisters,

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

§Thanks be to God

Sermon

It's Complicated: Marriage & Partnerships

Rev. Todd Shultz

✠ RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ✠

Song of Response

CHILD OF GOD

No matter what people say, say or think about me,
I am a child, I am a child of God.

No matter what people say, say or think about you,
You are a child, you are a child of God.

No matter what the world says, says or thinks about me,
I am a child, I am a child of God.

No matter what the church says, decisions, pronouncements on you,
You are a child, you are a child of God.

And there is no thing, no one who can separate,
they can't separate you from the truth that you're someone, you are family,
you are meant to be, a child, a child of God!³

Joys & Concerns

Vicky

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

(sung responsively)

Invitation to Offering ~ Please sign the blue Connections Pad and pass it down the row.

Todd

Offerings are given through cash and check, on-line giving, Texting at 302-488-0038
and by using our Giving Kiosk in the main lobby. There are Giving Cards in the pews to place in the plate, if you wish
Bless your heart for supporting our ministries!

Offertory:

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling ... arr. Arnold Sherman

Memorial Bells

✠ Share God's Grace with the World ✠

*Benediction

Todd

*Sending Song

EVERY PRAISE

Ev'ry praise is to our God, ev'ry word of worship with one accord.
Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God.
Sing Hallelujah to our God. Glory Hallelujah is due our God.
Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God. (repeat 2X)

God, my Savior. God, my healer. God, my deliverer.
Yes, He is. Yes, He is. (repeat)
Yes, He is. Yes, he is.

Ev'ry praise is to our God. Ev'ry word of worship with one accord.
Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise.
Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise,
Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise is to our God. (repeat)

Ev'ry praise is to our God. Ev'ry word of worship with one accord.
Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise.
Ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise, ev'ry praise. +

*Please stand as you are able.

Bulletins for the month of February are sponsored in memory of her husband, Mike, by JoAnn Merrick.

Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, James & Virginia Brainard, by Joyce Pool.

Stephen Ministers, wearing blue name badges, will be at each service if anyone in the Epworth family wants to talk about any life challenges.

The special Peace Candle on the Chancel shines to remind us of God's desire for peace throughout our world and our call to be God's peacemakers.

DVD and Broadcast Ministries: All Church Service at Epworth are presented using multimedia technology. The screens above the Chancel area are used for text, videos, photographs and live cameras. Each service is digitally recorded for archive purposes as well as for distribution to our homebound members on DVD. These recording may also be broadcast or archived on our web page. Therefore, you may, at any time, be seen and recorded on camera - anywhere throughout the Sanctuary.

Acolyte Connor Camiolo

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Ushers Head Usher: Jim Blakeslee

Usher Coordinator - Worship Pathway:

9:30: Bob & Marilyn Smith, Nancy Bodner, Kim Scott, James Floyd, Annette Predeaux

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