

Worship Celebration: August 9, 2020

10:00a.m. (BLENDED WORSHIP)

EPWORTH: a United Methodist Church

10th Sunday after Pentecost (Year A)

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a United Methodist Church

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VISION: Exploring Faith, Embracing Community

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

☞ WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY ☞

Countdown Concerto

GIVE ME JESUS

Doug

Praise Gathering

FRIEND OF GOD

Who am I that You are mindful of me, that You hear me when I call?

Is it true that You are thinking of me? How You love me, it's amazing.

(refrain 1) I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God.

I am a friend of God, He calls me friend.

I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God.

I am a friend of God, He calls me friend. (repeat verse)

Who am I that You are mindful of me, that You hear me when I call?

Is it true that You are thinking of me? How You love me, it's amazing.

It's Amazing!!! *(refrain 1)*

(Bridge) Instrumental

God almighty, Lord of Glory, You have called me friend.

God almighty, Lord of Glory, You have called me friend.

God almighty, Lord of Glory, You have called me friend.

(refrain 2) I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God,

I am a friend of God, You call me friend.

I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God,

I am a friend of God, You call me friend. (repeat)

(Tag) You call me friend!!!

Welcome & Sharing the Mission & Ministry of Epworth

Bo

***Opening Hymn**

COME, WE THAT LOVE THE LORD

UMH 732

1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
join in a song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne.
2. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God;
but children of the heavenly King may speak their joys abroad,
3. The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets
before we reach the heavenly fields or walk the golden streets.
4. Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry;
we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, to fairer worlds on high.

Children's Celebration

Gwen

WHEN WE FACE AN UNKNOWN FUTURE

When we face an unknown future that we can't imagine yet,
when the closeness we have treasured turns from blessing into threat –
As we miss our friends and loved ones, as we crave community,
May we look, God, in this season, for a whole new way to be.

✠ WE ENGAGE THE WORD ✠

Gospel Lesson

Luke 10:25-29

Lynne Wilmer

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus.

“Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

He said to him, “What is written in the law?

What do you read there?”

He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”

And He said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

Sisters and Brothers,

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

§Thanks be to God

WHEN WE FACE AN UNKNOWN FUTURE {CONT}

May we cherish those around us as we never have before.

May we think much less of profit; may we learn what matters more.

May we hear our neighbors' suffering; may we see our neighbors' pain.

May we learn new ways of offering life and health and hope again.

We Pray for Our Pastor

Gloria Woodson

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith

☞ WE RESPOND TO THE WORD ☛

Sharing Our Gifts

Offerings are given through check, on-line giving, & Texting at 302-488-0038
Bless your heart for supporting our ministries!

Bo

Offertory:

THANK YOU, LORD

I come before You today, and there's just one thing that I want to say;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.
For all You've given to me, for all the blessings that I cannot see;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.

With a grateful heart, with a song of praise,
With an outstretched arm I will bless Your Name.

*Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord;
Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord*

For all You've done in my life, You took my darkness and gave me Your light;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.
You took my sin and my shame. You took my sickness and healed all my pain;
Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.

With a grateful heart, with a song of praise,
With an outstretched arm I will bless Your Name. {Repeat Refrain 2X}²

Prayers of Response

Bo

The Lord's Prayer

Sung Responsively

FWS 2287

☞ We Are Sent into the World ☛

*Benediction

Vicki

*Sending Forth

ALL MY HOPE

I've been held by the Savior. I've felt fire from above.
I've been down to the river. I ain't the same; a prodigal returned.

*All my hope is in Jesus. Thank God that yesterday's gone.
All my sins are forgiven. and I've been washed by the blood.*

I'm no stranger to the prison. I've worn shackles and chains.
But I've been freed and forgiven. yes, I have. I'm not going back; I'll never be the same.
That's why I sing: {Chorus}

There's a kind of thing that just breaks a man, break him down to his knees.
God, I've been broken more than a time or two, yes, Lord.
Then He picked me up and showed me what it means to be a man.
Come on and sing: {Chorus 2X}³

Postlude

* = *Please stand as you are able*; S = *congregational response*

Bulletins for the month of August are sponsored by Lauren Stayton in celebration of their 53rd wedding anniversary on August 26.

Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and:

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.

Assisting with today's service as

Acolyte
Sound Sharon Wert, Josh Megee, Arne Jerfsten, Karen Kaufman, Sofia Tamburello, Tommy Vyas
Ushers Head Usher: Jim Blakeslee
Usher Coordinator - Worship Pathway:
9:30:

Ministers: The Church Family... Lay Leader: Mike Tyler

Lead Pastor: Rev. Dr. Vicki Gordy-Stith ... Associate Pastor: Rev. Dr. Bo Gordy-Stith

Director of Music Ministries: Doug Yetter ... Accompanist: Linda Jo Hess

Coordinator of Caring Ministries: Mickie McManamon ... Office Manager: Darlene Ford

Special Projects: Debbie Hunt ... Administrative Assistant: Barbara Kurtz ... Sound Tech: Josh Megee

Preschool Director: Betsy Plowman ... Nursery: Cathy Crawford ... Interim Cemetery Superintendent: Jay Stevenson

Custodian: Wanda Hudson ... Maintenance: Mike Harrigan....Lead Interpreter: Sandy Davis



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7:45 & 11:15 - Traditional 9:15 - Contemporary

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