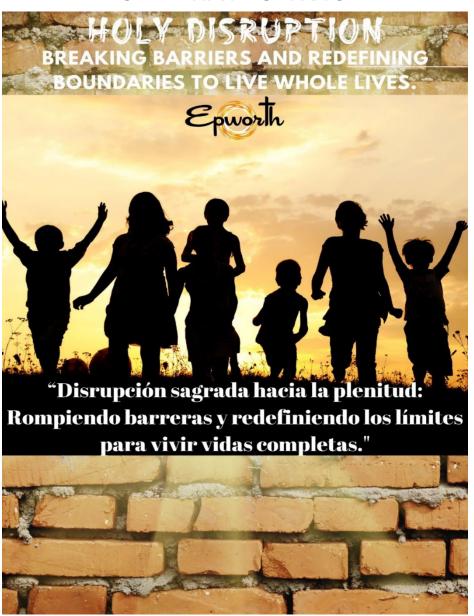
CELEBRATE SERVICE



May 12, 2024

Liturgical Color: White 10:30 am Service

Infant and toddler care is available during all services in the infant and toddler rooms. Please walk up the few stairs located to the right when you enter the building through the main wooden doors.

Children can meet Ms. Debbie, our Children's Ministry Coordinator in the lobby or drop off in the Children's Ministry Room (across the lobby) prior to worship and pick up after service.

Let Us Prepare for Worship

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Opening Praise Songs

Our God Reigns Forever

Our God is great and glorious
We put our trust in Your name Jesus
Able to save and deliver us
We put our hope in Your name Jesus

Blessing and honour glory and power Unto our God forever and ever All of the honour All of the praise is Yours Yours forever

Hallelujah Hallelujah our God reigns Hallelujah Hallelujah our God reigns

And our God is mighty and marvelous We put our hope in Your name Jesus Nothing to fear You are here with us We put our hope in Your name Jesus Our God is in control steadfast unmovable Nothing's impossible 'Cause our God He reigns forever Our God is in control steadfast unmovable Nothing's impossible 'cause our God reigns

The Heart Of Worship

When the music fades all is stripped away
And I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus

King of endless worth no one could express How much You deserve Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours Ev'ry single breath

Prayer for Mother's Day

Scripture Reading

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

- ³ though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.
- ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.
- ⁵ God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.
- ⁶ Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.
- ⁷The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- ⁸ Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.
- ⁹He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear;

he burns the shields with fire.

- ¹⁰ He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."
- ¹¹The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

John 14:16-17

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be^[a] in you.

Matthew 11:28-30

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Prayer of Preparation

Sermon

My Refuge, My Strength, and My Stillness

Rev. Jennifer Fenner

Youth Sunday school is immediately following the sermon, Youth are dismissed after the sermon to Room 201.

Song of Response

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now I'm found Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

Invitation To Receive The Offering

Offering Song

Just A Closer Walk With Thee

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I am weak but Thou art strong
Jesus keep me from all wrong
I'll be satisfied as long
As I walk let me walk close to Thee

Just a closer walk with thee Grant it Jesus is my plea Daily walking close to Thee Let it be dear Lord let it be

Through this world of toil and snares
If I falter Lord who cares
Who with me my burden shares
None but Thee dear Lord none but Thee

When my feeble life is o'er
Time for me will be no more
Guide me gently safely o'er
To Thy kingdom shore to Thy shore

Prayer For The Offering

Reception of New Members

Welcoming of Visitors and Invitation to Review Announcements

Closing Song

Forever

Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

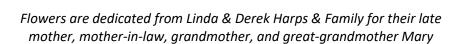
Sing praise sing praise

Forever God is faithful Forever God is strong Forever God is with us Forever forever

Benediction

Following service please join us for a time of coffee & conversation in the lounge. (Upstairs, turn left and down the hallway).

Come join us and meet some new friends & familiar faces.



Johnson. Happy Mother's Day with love.

Mark Your Calendars

- Saturday May 18 4-7pm Young Adult Gathering Games
 Bonanza Contact Julie Malone with questions.
- Sunday May 19 Confirmation and Pentecost 10am Service Cook-Out At Mill Creek starting 1-3pm Please register at https://tinyurl.com/GGYM24
- Sunday May 19 5-7pm Young Adult Life Group Emma Escobar
- Sunday May 19 is the deadline to sign up to sponsor a Grad with a gift basket. Baskets due June 5. Sign up on the website
- Sunday May 26 Asia Pacific Islander Heritage Sunday

- Sunday June 9 at 10am Graduating Senior and Scholarship
 Sunday as Single Bilingual service
- Sunday June 9 2pm Camp Hope parent and youth meeting in 201.
- Wednesday June 12: English and Computer Class Celebration:
 5pm Worship and Promotion Service & 6pm Dinner
- Sunday June 23 African Caribbean Heritage Sunday

Quick Links to Register

- Graduates and Scholarship Recipient Materials https://www.epworthunited.org/scholarships
- Confirmation Cook-Out Sunday May 19 1pm: https://tinyurl.com/GGYM24
- ESOL & Computer Celebration Dinner June 12:5pm www.epworthunited.org
- VBS Participant Registration June 24-28 https://www.epworthunited.org/vbs-2024
- Soccer Clinic Participant Registration August 12-16 https://www.epworthunited.org

Quick Links to Opportunities to Serve

- Food Distribution Packing and Parking Lot Runnershttps://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4AA5A822A1F85-food3
- Food Distribution Drivershttps://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044CAEA92CAB9-49088193-delivery - /
- Coffee/Greetershttps://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4AA5A822A1F85-47017126-connect - /
- VBS Helpershttps://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4AA5A822A1F85vacation
- Sign up for Sponsor-A-Grad Senior Baskets-

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4AA5A822A1F85-49152150-sponsoragrad

- Email: James Craig Bazen at jcbazen@musicunlimited.com if you are interested in joining the 9am **Chancel Choir.**
- Email: Jennifer B.at trustees@eumc-md.org if you are interested in joining the trustees team or bidding on the new cleaning contract. Cleaning contract bids are due by May 21.
- Email Sandy Matty: execadmin@eumc-md.org to apply for Livestream Manager role.
- Email: Edgard Tellez at edgardtm@gmail.com if you are interested in being a volunteer coach for the August 12-16 soccer clinic 6:30-8:00pm
- Email nancy.laing@eumc-md.org if you are interested in Counting the offering 1X a month with another person. Counters meet Sunday afternoon or could arrange to count Mondays in the future.

Enth How We Live Together

- We will love one another by being kind, patient, protective, trusting, and faithful to one another. (1 Corinthians 13)
- We will pray for one another. (James 5:16)
- We will encourage one another. (Hebrews 3:13)
- We will joyfully accept and embrace all people in our midst and will endeavor to be united and supportive of one another. (1 Corinthians 1:10)
- We will admit when we are wrong and will both seek and grant forgiveness with one another. (Colossians 3:13) (Matthew 18:21) (Romans 3:23) (Ephesians 9:32)
- We will practice peacemaking by following the teachings of Jesus to reconcile by:
 - 1. Talking directly to the person who offended us,
 - 2. Taking 1 or 2 people with us to talk with the person,
 - 3. Resolve as a church through the conflict prevention response team (CPR) (Matthew 18: 15-17)
- We will seek one another's best interest above our own self-interest.
 (Romans 12:10)
- We will faithfully serve where we are able and honor the commitments that we make. (Ecclesiastes 5:4)
- We will practice generosity of our time, abilities and financial gifts.
 (Matthew 28: 16-20)
- As Christians, we will have faith in God. (Hebrews 11:1)
- We will live our love and faith through our actions, our prayers, our witness, and our service. (1 John 3:18)
- We will treat all with respect and compassion, including those who are new and those who are developing confidence. (1 John 2: 9-10)
- We will listen to each other and trust leadership to make decisions with the love of God. (1 John 4: 7-9)
- We will commit to personal spiritual growth so that when we are all together, we can fully share the love of God. (Matthew 28: 19-20)
- Our leaders will model these behaviors of discipleship, being of one heart and soul, by continuing to grow in spirit and grace, inspiring others to come alongside. (Matthew 28:19-20)



Eblast Signup

SCAN THE OR CODE TO GET SIGNED UP FOR OUR WEEKLY EBLAST NEWSLETTER



Epworth Vision: To be a church of the community that invites, connects, disciples, and sends out people for Christ; passionately partnering with the Holy Spirit in the transformation of hearts, lives, and communities.

I have come to invite people to change their hearts and lives

Luke 5:32



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