St. Edward's Episcopal Church



The Third Sunday After Pentecost, Year C.

MORNING PRAYER II WITH COMMUNION JUNE 29, 2025 - 8 A.M.

Welcome to St. Edward's Episcopal Church. Come as you are. St. Edward's affirms the dignity of every human being. God's abundant love is here for all.

If you are visiting with us today, please fill out a Visitor Card and give it to one of our ushers, so we can send you more information about our church. We are blessed that you are here, and we look forward to meeting you!

This leaflet is your guide to the liturgy and is a resource for the material needed for this service. You will find three books in the pew rack in front of you - The 1979 Book of Common Prayer (red book), The Hymnal 1982 (blue book), and LEVAS (Lift Every Voice and Sing II - black and red cover). Hymn numbers preceded by 'S' are from the Service Music at the front of The Hymnal 1982. It is customary to stand during the singing of hymns and either stand, sit, or kneel for prayers. All items in **bold** are to be read aloud by the people.

Prelude

Wa wa wa emimimo (Come, Holy Spirit)

Parish Choir May, 2020

PROCESSIONAL

Spirit of the Living God

1. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

2. Spirit of the Living God, move among us all. Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love. Humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the Living God, fill our lives with love.

OPENING SENTENCE All stand, if able

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. Habakkuk 2:20

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Please kneel, if able.

BCP 79

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

BCP 80

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

VENITE Please remain Standing.

BCP 82

PSALM 118 The psalm is read responsively by half verse. Please be seated.

BCP 760

THE LESSONS

FIRST LESSON GALATIANS 5:1,13-25

A Lesson from the Book of Galatians.

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Lector: Here ends the Lesson.

THE CANTICLE. THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH All stand, if able.

BCP 92

SECOND LESSON Please be seated.

LUKE 9:51-62

A Lesson from the Gospel of Luke.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to

lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Lector: Here ends the Lesson.

THE HOMILY Father Fabio Sotelo

APOSTLES CREED BCP 96

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Officiant: As the Body of Christ, the Church follows in the Way of Jesus: proclaiming the Kingdom of God, reconciling the outcast, and loving our neighbors as ourselves. Praying in the Spirit we offer our intercessions to God.

Litanist: Gracious One, for freedom Christ has set us free, that through love the members of the Church may serve one another: Inspire us to live and be guided by the Spirit. You are the One who works wonders;

you have declared your power among the peoples.

Eternal One, anoint able rulers and prophets to heal ancient prejudices and to foster hospitality among people, that all humanity may be led into the ways of justice and peace. You are the One who works wonders;

you have declared your power among the peoples.

Holy One, we believe that you have made us in your image, a beautiful community of race, culture, and gender identities. We celebrate this diversity, for we believe in your creative imagination. Help us make it safe for all to live with integrity, for barriers to tumble down, and for all to live in peace. Send us out to change the world. You are the One who works wonders;

you have declared your power among the peoples.

Compassionate One, let this community be filled with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control, that we may be a blessing among all with whom we live. You are the One who works wonders;

you have declared your power among the peoples.

We remember the works of God and ponder your mighty deeds: Receive our prayers of grateful thanksgiving, especially for the birthdays of Steven Farmer, Niara Dahn, Justin Han, Yaliyah Estrada, Ginger England, Brenda Tamba-Dahn, and the anniversaries of Jay & Marian Franks and Rick & Julia Lynch (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). You are the One who works wonders;

you have declared your power among the peoples.

We cry aloud to the One who will hear us, praying especially for Michael, Carmon, Julia & Rick, Mary, Ali, Hanna, Ben, Rosilee and family, Russell, Carolyn, Samuel, Olive, Julie, Cindy, Rosemary, Delores, Jasmine, Sarah, Jan, Patrick, Joyce, Jorge, Shandi, Blanding, and Lee (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). You are the One who works wonders;

you have declared your power among the peoples.

By your strength you have redeemed your people, O God: Take into Christ's resurrection life those who have died (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). You are the One who works wonders;

you have declared your power among the peoples.

Officiant: Gracious and Loving One, grant us grace to heed the call to true freedom, living in your Spirit and sharing Christ's reconciling work of healing and peace among people of diverse faiths and cultures. May the fruit of the Spirit be manifest throughout the world and neighborly love flourish universally, in the Name of all that is Holy. **Amen.**

THE PEACE BCP 360

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE BCP 376

Officiant: I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. Romans 12:1

OFFERTORY

We are one in the Spirit

- 1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.
 - And we pray that all unity may one day be restored, and they'll know we are Christians by our love, yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.
- 2. Somos uno en espíritu y en el Señor, somos uno en espíritu y en el Señor, y rogamos que un día se restare esa unión. y que somos cristianos lo sabrán, lo sabrán, porque unidos estamos en amor.
- 3. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored, and they'll know we are Christians by our love, yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 97

Officiant: The Lord be with you. *People:* and also with you.

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God

Communion is offered in both kinds by intinction. Gluten-free wafers are available by request.

COMMUNION Imela (Grateful) Parish Choir May 2020

POST COMMUNION PRAYER Please stand or kneel

Officiant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES Please be seated.

THE BLESSING Please stand if able.

May God's strength be with you to stand firm in the freedom our Creator gives you, empowering you to love your neighbor as your self. May the generosity of Jesus fill your hearts that you may be peacemakers and reconcilers in our day. May you be led by the Spirit into love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and temperance. And the blessing of our gracious God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant: Alleluia, Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Somos el cuerpo de Cristo/We are the body of Christ Combined choirs, May 2020

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<u>Serving Today</u> Officiant & Preacher – Father Fabio Sotelo

Assisting – Etta Cole
Altar Guild – Jewel Ffrench, Denise Robinson

Christian Jones
Psalm – Etta Cole
1st Lesson - Sonia Ferris
2nd Lesson – Father Fabio Sotelo
Intercessor – Sonia Ferris
Ushers – Sonia Ferris & Mark Heffernan
Sound & Video – Ted Ruchalski
VPOD – Jennifer Khaleel

The flowers today are donated by Kathy Ruchalski in loving memory of her late sister Georgia's birthday on June 30th.



Those wishing to donate flowers are asked to contact the parish office @ 770.963-6128 or via email: parishadmin@stedwardsonline.org