# MORNING PRAYER, RITE II & COMMUNION THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



## AUG 17, 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** 

I come to the garden

Carla Strott, piano

**PROCESSIONAL** 

I want to walk as a child of the light

BLUE HYMNAL 490

**OPENING SENTENCE** All stand, if able

"The Lord is in his hole temple; let all the earth keep silence berore him" (Habakkuk 2:20)

INVITATORY AND PSALTER All stand, if able.

BCP80

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be for ever. Amen.

**VENITE** Please Remain Standing.

BCP 83

PSALM 118 Please be seated.

**BCP 760** 

#### THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON ISAIAH 5:1-7

A Lesson from the Book of Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Lector: Here ends the Lesson.

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

**BCP 92** 

SECOND LESSON Please be seated.

LUKE 12:49-56

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke.

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, `It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, `There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

Lector: Here ends the Lesson.

THE HOMILY Father Fabio Sotelo

APOSTLES CREED All stand, if able.

BCP 96

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Officiant: Kindle the fire of your passion in us, O Holy One, and baptize creation with your divine vision of justice and truth, as we pray:

*Litanist*: The Church has received God's promises made perfect in Jesus, and we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses: Empower us, O Gracious One, to run with perseverance the race that is set before us and to share in your reconciling work. Stir up your strength,

#### and come to help us.

You have commanded us to create structures of justice and righteousness, O Compassionate One: Inspire all who lead with your vision and grace to deliver the weak and poor from all powers of oppression. Stir up your strength,

#### and come to help us.

You hear the cry of the poor and the ill, and you act to relieve oppression throughout the world: Relieve the needs of all who suffer throughout the world and bring them your goodness and life. Stir up your strength,

#### and come to help us.

You have planted us among fertile hills in a pleasant land, O Generous One: Lead us to fulfill your compassionate purpose for our community and for all the people of the world. Stir up your strength,

#### and come to help us.

We give grateful thanks for your abundant blessings in our lives, especially for the birthdays of Marhu Neal, Skip Portier, Diane Van Slyke, and the anniversary of Marver & Tempo Thomas (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). Stir up your strength,

#### and come to help us.

Let those who suffer look to the cross of Christ who has endured, and who now sits at the right hand of the throne of God. We remember especially Kip, Sam B., Sam R., Rick & Lois, Erika, Lisa, Wilton, Michelle, Nick, Julia & Rick, Mary, Ali, Hanna, Ben, Rosilee and family, Russell, Carolyn, Samuel, Olive, Julie, Cindy, Rosemary, Delores, Jasmine, Sarah, Jan, Joyce, Jorge, Shandi, Blanding, and Lee (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). Stir up your strength,

#### and come to help us.

We entrust to you those who have died (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). Stir up your strength,

#### and come to help us.

Officiant: Enlighten us with your grace, O God, and bring wisdom out of all of our divisions and conflicts, that we may interpret rightly the present time and so understand the signs of our confusion that we may cooperate with your will to reconcile and heal the world, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns one God, world without end. 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: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ethesians 5:2

OFFERTORY Seek ye first BLUE HYMNAL 711

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 MUSIC If ye love me (Thomas Tallis) Matt Bonaker & Carla

Strott

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 the God of our ancestors grant you courage and strength to be witnesses of God's grace and presence in our present time. May Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith lift you with joy to the right hand of the throne of God. May you be kindled with the fire of the Holy Spirit to run with perseverance the race that is set before you. And the blessing of our mysterious God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and inspire you always. **Amen.** 

RECESSIONAL HYMN For the beauty of the earth Carla Strott, piano

#### THE DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.



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#### Serving Today

Officiant & Preacher – Father Fabio Sotelo Assisting – Kathy Ruchalski Altar Guild - Jewel Ffrench & Christiana Jones Psalm – Kathy Ruchalski 1st Lesson - Ruth Mannah 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson – Father Fabio Sotelo Intercessor - Ruth Mannah Ushers –Jennifer Phillips & Mark Heffernan Sound & Video -Ted Ruchalski

The flowers today are given by Marck Morman in celebration of his mother Kathy's birthday on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Those wishing to donate flowers are asked to contact the parish office @ 770-963-6128 or via email: <u>parishadmin@stedwardsonline.org</u>