

MORNING PRAYER II WITH COMMUNION



THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 6, 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

For the bread which you have broken

Carla Strott, pianos

PROCESSIONAL

Holy, holy, holy

BLUE HYMNAL 362

Stanzas 1, 3 & 4

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: **Alleluia! Christ is risen!**

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

VENITE *Remain standing.*

BCP 83

PSALM 146 *Please be seated.*

BCP 803

PSALM 147

BCP 804

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

GALATIANS 6: 7-16

A Lesson from the Book of Galatians.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised~ only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule~ peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Lector: Here ends the Lesson.

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

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SECOND LESSON *Please be seated.*

LUKE 10:1-11, 16-20

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Lector: Here ends the Lesson.

THE HOMILY

Ruth Mannah

APOSTLES CREED *All stand, if able.*

BCP 96

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Officiant: Gracious Creator, in Jesus you have shown us that the Kingdom of God has come near to us, and you have appointed disciples to go to every town and place to proclaim the Good News: Hear our prayers on behalf of the whole human family.

Litanist: Holy God, you have given your Church authority over all the power of evil and sent laborers into the plentiful harvest of your Kingdom: Let your hand be with your servants, that peace may rest upon us and blessing be among all to whom we are sent. Our hearts sing to you without ceasing;

we will give you thanks for ever.

Infinite One, guide the leaders of all nations along your paths of justice and peace. In a spirit of gentleness, restore those who have transgressed and teach all people to fulfill the law of Christ by bearing one another's burdens. Our hearts sing to you without ceasing;

we will give you thanks for ever.

Compassionate God, weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning: Let your favor dwell with all who live with illness, poverty or war, that your healing and life-giving grace may bring comfort and peace to the earth. Our hearts sing to you without ceasing;

we will give you thanks for ever.

Ever-present One, let this community of Saint Edward's sing to you and give thanks for the remembrance of your holiness: May we not grow weary in doing what is right, and whenever we have an opportunity, strengthen us to work for the good of all, especially for those of the family of faith. Our hearts sing to you without ceasing;

we will give you thanks for ever.

Your favor endures for a lifetime: We offer our prayers of praise and thanksgiving, especially for the birthdays of Mary Lu Rogers, Vanya Davis, Brendan Pope, Mabel Omoregie, Yuliana Castillo, Comfort Manobah, Florence Allen, Hilary Harmon, and the anniversaries of Wande & Lucretia Sawyerr and Elaine & Pat Bratton (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). Our hearts sing to you without ceasing;

we will give you thanks for ever.

Hear and have mercy upon us; O God be our helper: Receive our intercessions for those for whom we pray, especially Michael, 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*). Our hearts sing to you without ceasing;

we will give you thanks for ever.

Turn our wailing into dancing; put off our sack-cloth and clothe us with joy. Receive into your eternal life those who have died, especially Carmen Camiro (*The congregation may add their own petitions*). Our hearts sing to you without ceasing;

we will give you thanks for ever.

Officiant: Holy and Eternal One: Let us see the coming of your Kingdom among us, as our hearts rejoice in your triumph; strengthen us to labor faithfully extending the peace and mercy of your new creation into the lives of all people, working in the power of your Holy Spirit, through Christ our Savior. **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. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY

Be thou my vision

BLUE HYMNAL 488

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

It is well

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 Eternal One send us forth into the harvest with power to proclaim the compassionate reign of God. May Christ's peace go with us bringing healing and love to a hurt and broken world. May the Holy Spirit give us authority to tread over all the power of darkness and to bring the Good News to all the world. And the blessing of our gracious God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Ev'ry time I feel the spirit

Carla Strott, piano & bass

THE DISMISSAL

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

People: **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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*The flowers on the Altar today are given by Charles
Rogers in thanksgiving of his wonderful wife
Mary Lu's birthday today.*

Serving Today

Officiant & Preacher - Ruth Mannah
Assisting - Kathy Ruchalski
Altar Guild - Jewel Ffrench & Christiana Jones
Psalm - Kathy Ruchalski
1st Lesson - Kevin Lee
2nd Lesson - Ruth Mannah
Intercessor - Kevin Lee
Ushers - Jennifer Phillips & Pat Bush
Sound & Video - John Nystrom
VPOD - Jennifer Khaleel



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contact the parish office @ 770-963-6128 or
via email: parishadmin@stedwardsonline.org*