St. Edward's Episcopal Church



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost, Proper 15. August 17, 2025 @ 10:00 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.

PRELUDE

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All items in **bold** are to be read aloud by the people.

PROCESSIONAL

Awake, my soul

BLUE HYMNAL 546

All stand, if able.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

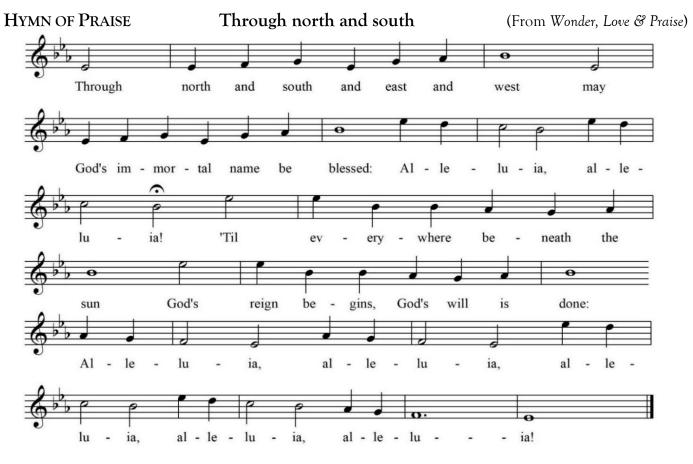
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Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF PURITY

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

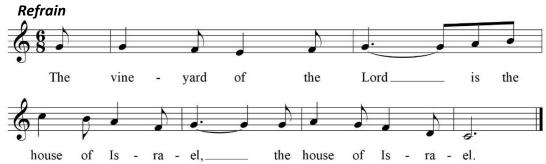
THE FIRST LESSON ISAIAH 5:1-7

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: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-2, 8-18 The Lector reads the Psalm; the People sing the Refrain.



- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; * shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, * stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; * you cast out the nations and planted it.
- 9 You prepared the ground for it; * it took root and filled the land.

Refrain

- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow * and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea * and its branches to the River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, * so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

Refrain

13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, * and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; * preserve what your right hand has planted.

15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; *

at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.

Refrain

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, * the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *

give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *

show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. *Refrain*

SECOND LESSON HEBREWS 11:29-12:2

A Lesson from the Book of Hebrews.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Lector: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

I want to walk as a child of the light BLUE HYMNAL 490

All stand, if able. Stanza 3 will be sung after the Gospel

THE GOSPEL READING

LUKE 12:49-56

Presider: †The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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?"

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON Please be seated.

The Rev. Fabio Sotelo

THE NICENE CREED Please stand, if able.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider: 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.

Presider: 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 CONFESSION OF SIN Please kneel or stand.

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THE PEACE Please stand.

BCP 360

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

People: And also with you.

The Presider and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

BCP 376

Presider: God of love, as we offer these gifts, we are reminded that without love, all our actions fall short of their true purpose. May this offering serve to build up your kingdom with faith, hope, and love as its foundation.

OFFERTORY

Spirit of God, unseen

Parish Choir

Words: Margaret Old; Tune: Sky Boat Song (traditional Scottish melody)

Refrain: Spirit of God, unseen as the wind, gentle as is the dove: teach us the truth and help us believe, show us the Saviour's love!

- 1. You spoke to us long, long ago, gave us the written word; we read it still, needing its truth, through it God's voice is heard.
- 2. Without your help we fail our Lord, we cannot live his way; we need your power, we need strength, following Christ each day.

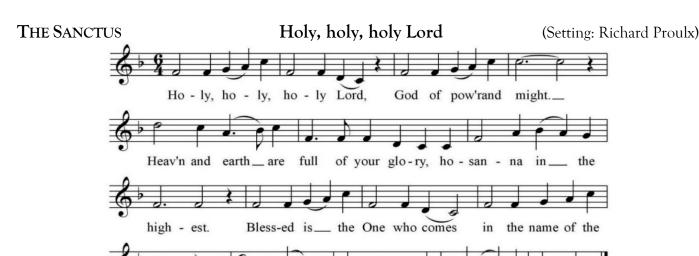
PRESENTATION HYMN

I have decided

LEVAS HYMNAL 136

All stand, if able.

Hymn request by Ginger England



THE LORD'S PRAYER

LEVAS HYMNAL 264

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Lord.

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion is served at the altar rails by intinction.

Ho-san-na in __ the high - est, Ho-san-na in

Please indicate to the minister if you take bread/host or gluten free host.

COMMUNION HYMNS From the following, as time permits.

Guide my feet, Lord

- 1. Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race. Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race. Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race, 'cause I don't want to run this race in vain.
- 2. Hold my hand, Lord, while I run this race...
- 3. Stand by me, Lord, while I run this race...

Let us break bread together

BLUE HYMNAL 325

Hymn request by Darcey Tatum & Jewel Ffrench

SENDING FORTH THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

Presider: We send you forth bearing these Holy Gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the mystery of the presence of Christ our Lord.

People: We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER Please kneel or stand.

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NOTICES

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

Go to the world!

(see insert)

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

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Serving Today

Presider & Preacher - The Rev. Fabio Sotelo
Verger - Leslie Nystrom
Crucifer – Ted Ruchalski
Torches – Pat Bush & Veronica Aragon
Eucharistic Ministers – John Nystrom & Kathy Yukishige
Eucharistic Visitor – Denise Robinson
1st Lesson – Marvelle Martin

Psalm - Choir 2nd Lesson – Bryleigh Pope Intercessor – Cecilia Midzi

Flower Guild - Marvelle Martin Altar Bread - Marlaina Grant

Altar Guild – Jewel Ffrench, Ruth Mannah, Denise Robinson, Comfort Pratt Ushers – Kathy Ruchalski, Choco Harmon, Cecilia Midzi, Emmanuel Mitchell

Sound & Video – Kevin Lee
St. Ed's Coloring Squad – Kathy Ruchalski
Pastoral Care – Marian Franks
Organ & Piano – Carla Strott
Flutes – Sanya Simmons & Lee Ann Sipe
St. Edward's Parish Choir
VPOD – Charmaine Mitchell

Parish Personnel

The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Wright, Diocesan Bishop
The Rev. Fabio Sotelo, Rector
Leslie Nystrom, Parish Administrator
Leslie Nystrom, Verger
Carla Strott, Director of Music & Worship Arts
Gustavo Romero, Director del Coro
Ted Ruchalski, Media Engineer & Technology Consultant
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Magalie Nemorin-Nonez, Bookkeeper
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The Vestry of Saint Edward's Jennifer Khaleel, Senior Warden

Darcey Tatum, Junior Warden, Brendalyne Tamba-Dahn, Martha Cuenca, Teresa Guzmán, Ruth Mannah, Lorenzo Clarke, George Herrin, Kathy Yukishige, Charmaine Mitchell, Lee Ann Sipe. Youth Representatives to the Vestry: Lawrence Toomey III & Emmanuel Mitchell. Mary Lu Rogers, Clerk of the Vestry. The flowers today are given by Marck Morman in celebration of his mother Kathy's birthday on August 23^{rd} .



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