



St. Edward's Episcopal Church

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 26 2026 + 10:00 am
The Holy Eucharist + Rite 2

The Procession

Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Song of Praise

Gloria

The Collect of the Day

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson:

Genesis 29:15-28

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Psalm 128

BCP 783

The Second Lesson:

Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything

else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Sequence

New World Coming

The Gospel:

Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The Homily

Rev. Bill Boyer

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People (Form III)

BCP 387

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Peace

BCP 360

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Come Jesus Come

The Doxology

Sacrifice of Praise

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem

Awaken the Dawn

The Communion

All Christians who have been baptized and of a clean conscience are welcome to receive communion. All others are invited to come forward to receive a blessing or remain in their seats in prayer. If you are interested in baptism, please contact the office.

Communion Hymn
Healing Prayers
The Post Communion Prayer
The Blessing
The Procession
The Dismissal

Goodness of God

BCP 365

All in All

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July 26, 2026

WELCOME

We are glad you are here this morning. We hope you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit while you worship God through His Son, Jesus Christ.

If you are seeking a church home, we would love to have you join us. Please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

A NURSERY is provided for 10:00 am worship every Sunday for infants through age 4. The nursery is located across from the restrooms in the main hallway.

COFFEE HOUR is provided after worship every Sunday. We gather in the Hall for some snacks, drinks, and fellowship. This is a great way to build community.

What is a Priest?

Derived from the Greek *presbyteros*, “elder” or “old man”, the term is used as a synonym for presbyter. Presbyters constituted a collegiate ruling body of institutions in Judaism. The Catechism notes that “the ministry of a priest or presbyter” is “to represent Christ and his Church, particularly as pastor to the people; to proclaim the gospel; to administer the sacraments; and to bless and declare pardon in the name of God” (BCP, p. 856). The term “priest” is more frequently used than “presbyter” in the Episcopal Church. The ordination service for this order of ministry is titled “The Ordination of a Priest” (BCP, p. 525). After the Reformation, the Anglican Church used the term “priest” for the second order of ministry.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Catherine Bayer in loving memory of her mother, Doris Bayer.

WE WELCOME The Rev. Bill Boyer as our Guest Celebrant today at the 10:00 am service.

THE MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will meet on Saturday, August 1st at 8:30 am in Hartridge Hall.

THE GOLFING GROUP – WILL NOT MEET.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday

AA's and Alanon-7:00 pm

ANNIVERSARIES

ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH

Olivia Goodro	7/26	Carol Law	7/28
Robert Ennis	7/28	Candace Booth	7/30

ANNIVERSARY OF WEDDING

Richard and Kitty Sienkiewicz	7/31/1965
Kristopher and Natalia Vander Pyl	7/31/2022

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

Dr. Scott Cole	7/26	Don Bierwert	7/27
George Romano, Sr.	7/27	John Boech	7/28
Darleen Pilarski	7/28	Richard Palmer	7/29
Rev. Edwin Ball	7/30	Christine Capetola	7/30
Norma Parker	7/31		

PRAYERS

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Libby S.	Greg A.	Barbara G.	Bob	Ellen D.	Brandi	Cale
Joel						
Hannah L.						

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

T.J. Glennon	Mary Hyland	Hunter Penley
Trevor Orr	Andrew Seley	Christian Reeves

CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church, Sebastian
St. Agnes Episcopal Church, Sebring
For our parish members Gary and Heather Hopcraft

SERVING TODAY

	<u>8:00 AM</u>	<u>10:00 AM</u>
First Reading	Gaines Campbell	Gloria Vest
Second Reading	Tré Conrader	Joe Welch
LEM 1	Gaines Campbell	Randall Sluder
LEM 2	Tré Conrader	Gloria Vest
Ushers	Pam Bow	Steve Wilbanks
	Steve Nichols	Alicia Wilbanks
Deacon	Deacon Dan	Deacon Mickey
Altar Guild	Sandy Potter	Joe Welch
Flowers	Catherine Bayer	
Screens		Harry Hackney
Nursery		Mary Jeanty
		Johna Metcalf
Music	Elizabeth Maxwell	Shekinah Praise Team

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ
Bishop: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Justin Holcomb
Priest: The Rev. Mark A. Lafler
Deacon: The Rev. Mickey Maxwell
Deacon: The Rev. Dan King
Celebrant: The Rev. Bill Boyer

VESTRY

Cheryl Hogan, Sr. Warden	Leah Felcher	Margaret Dohnalek
Steve Wilbanks, Jr. Warden	James Cartlidge	Michael Viel
Gaines Campbell	Fred Fitte	Janet Martin

OFFICERS

Barbara Minkoff, Treasurer
Amanda Burkhalter, Clerk

PARISH STAFF

Admin. Asst. to Rector: Betty Welch
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Preschool Director: Heather Fortson
Shekinah Praise Team Director: Elizabeth Maxwell
Steward: Walter Burkhalter



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Shekinah Music – Sunday, July 26, 2026

Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
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Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
I want to see You

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Holy, holy, holy
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Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
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Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
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There's a New World Coming

There's a new world coming...and it's
coming 'round the bend
There's a new world coming...and it's
waiting there my friend
There's a new voice calling...and it's calling
you and me
Coming in peace, coming in joy, coming in
love

Come Jesus Come

Sometimes I fall.... to my knees and pray
Come Jesus come.... let today be the day
Sometimes I feel... like I'm gonna break

But I'm holding on... to a hope that won't
fade

Come Jesus come
We've been waiting so long
For the day You return.... to heal every
hurt
And right every wrong
We need You right now
Come and turn this around
Deep down I know... this world isn't home
Come Jesus come

There'll be no war.... and there'll be no
chains
When Jesus comes.... let today be the day
He'll come for the weak
And the strong just the same
And all will believe.... in the power of His
name

Come Jesus come
We've been waiting so long
For the day You return.... to heal every
hurt
And right every wrong
We need You right now
Come and turn this around
Deep down I know... this world isn't home
Come Jesus come
Come Jesus come

One day He'll come.... and we'll stand face
to face
Come and lay it all down... cause it might be
today
The time is right now...there's no need to
wait
Your past will be washed... by rivers of
grace

Come Jesus come
We've been waiting so long

For the day You return.... to heal every
hurt
And right every wrong
We need You right now
Come and turn this around
Deep down I know... this world isn't home
Come Jesus come
Come Jesus come
Come Jesus come

Goodness of God

I love you Lord...Oh Your mercy never fails
me
All my days ...I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up...until I lay
my head
Oh I will sing ...of the goodness of God

Cuz all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh I will sing... of the goodness of God

I love Your voice...You have led me through
the fire
And in darkness nights...You are close like
no other
I've known You as a Father...I've know You
as a friend
And I have lived... in the goodness... of God

All my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh I will sing ...of the goodness ...of God

*Your goodness is running after...it's running
after me*
*Your goodness is running after...it's running
after me*
*With my life laid down ...I'm surrendered
now*
I give You everything

Your goodness is running after...it's running after me

**All my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God**

**All my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh I'm gonna sing... of the goodness... of God**

Oh I'm gonna sing.... of the goodness... of God

All in All

You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek
You are my all in all

Seeking You as a precious jewel
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool
You are my all in all

Jesus, Lamb of God...worthy is Your name
Jesus, Lamb of God...worthy is Your name

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame
Rising again, I bless Your name
You are my all in all

When I fall down, You pick me up
When I am dry, You fill my cup
You are my all in all

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