St. Edward's Episcopal Church

The First Sunday of Advent
November 29, 2026 + 8:00 am
The Holy Eucharist + Rite 1

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath
The Procession into the Church **Hymn 57**

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect for Purity **BCP 323**
Trisagion **BCP 324**
The Collect of the Day
Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: **Isaiah 64:1-9**
O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence--as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil--to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 **BCP 702**

The Second Lesson: **1 Corinthians 1:3-9**
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gospel: **Mark 13:24-37**
Jesus said, “In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.
"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

The Homily **Rev. Mark Lafler**
The Nicene Creed **BCP 327**
The Prayers of the People **BCP 328**
Confession of Sin **BCP 331**
The Peace **BCP 332**
Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory
The Doxology **Hymn 380, vs. 3**
Eucharistic Prayer 2 **BCP 340**
The Lord's Prayer **BCP 336**
The Communion

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Healing Prayers
The Post Communion Prayer **BCP 339**
The Blessing
The Procession into the World **Hymn 615**
Dismissal **BCP 340**

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Trisagion (Kyrie) **Hymn S-95**
Collect of the Day
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Sequence **Hymn 73**

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The Nicene Creed	**BCP 358**
The Prayers of the People, Form 4	**BCP 388**
Confession of Sin	**BCP 360**
The Peace	**BCP 360**
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THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory	**Wait for the Lord**
The Doxology	**Hymn 380, vs. 3**
Eucharistic Prayer B	**BCP 367**
The Sanctus	**Hymn S-124**
The Lord's Prayer	**BCP 364**
Fraction Anthem	**Hymn S-161**
The Communion	

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Communion Hymns	**Hymn 318**	**My Lord What a Morning**
Healing Prayers		
The Post Communion Prayer	**BCP 366**	
The Blessing		
The Procession into the World	**Hymn 615**	
Dismissal	**BCP 366**	

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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.
SUNDAY SCHOOL will not meet today.
YOUTH MINISTRY will not meet today.
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 Advent?
The first season of the church year, beginning with the fourth Sunday before Christmas and continuing through the day before Christmas. The name is derived from a Latin word for "coming." The season is a time of preparation and expectation for the coming celebration of our Lord's nativity, and for the final coming of Christ "in power and glory."



Today is also **Break the Silence Sunday**. A day in The Episcopal Church to raise awareness, support survivors, and work toward ending abuse with the hope of eradicating shame, naming the harm, and bringing light to the freedom found in Jesus Christ. A special prayer will be given during the Prayers of the People.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY EUCHARIST will be offered the first Wednesday of every month at 2:00 in the library of Brookdale Assisted Living Facility, 1211 Caroline Street, East, Tavares, Florida. All are welcome.

KING KAMEHAMEHA LUAU will be celebrated on Wednesday, December 2nd beginning at 6:00 pm. Come celebrate Fr. Mark's 11th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood with our annual Luau. Bring a pot-luck dish to share.

THE GOLFING GROUP will meet on Thursday, December 3rd. Tee time is at 7:30 at the Mount Dora Golf Association.

ANIMAL SHELTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY on Saturday, December 5th beginning at 9:30 am at the Humane Society of Lake County in Umatilla. Please sign up in the narthex – limited to 8 volunteers.

THE MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will be held on Saturday, December 12th at 8:30 am in Hartridge Hall.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	Sunday School will not meet
	EYC will not meet
	AA's and Alanon-7:00 pm
Tuesday	Reading with the Rector-11:30
Wednesday	Preschool Chapel-10:30 am
	Eucharist @ Brookdale-2:00 pm
	King Kamehameha Luau-6:00 pm
Thursday	Golfing Group- 7:30 am
	Choir Rehearsal-5:00 pm
Saturday	Humane Society Volunteer workday-9:30 am

ANNIVERSARIES

ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH

Alicia Goodro	11/27	Ann Brown	11/29
Del Potter	12/03		

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

Charles Brown	11/30	John Wise	11/30
Albert Stuart	11/30	Pierrette McCord	11/30
James Kress	12/01	Tom McCathran	12/02
Robert Maurais	12/05	Earl Spencer	12/05

PRAYERS

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Merrill S. Bob Ellen D. Sandra R. Barbara M. Mickey M. Ed M.

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Mary Hyland	Hunter Penley
Trevor Orr	Andrew Seley
Christian Reeves	Will Mckinney

CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Lake Placid
Church of the Good Shepherd, Lake Wales
For our parish members Jason, Karen and Noah Maxwell

SERVING TODAY

	8:00 AM	*10:00 AM*
First Reading	Tom Felcher	Harry Hackney
Second Reading	Tré Conrader	Betty Hensinger
LEM 1	Tom Felcher	Betty Hensinger
LEM 2	Tré Conrader	Gloria Vest
Ushers	Steve Nichols	Mike Martin
	Pam Bow	Janet Martin
Deacons	Mickey Maxwell	Dan King
Altar Guild	Sandy Potter	Joe Welch
Screens	Jerry Marsh	Andrew King
Video	Madeline Lafler	
Nursery	Mary Jeanty and Madeline Lafler	

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

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
Bookkeeper & Business Asst.: Amanda Burkhalter
Family Ministries Director: The Rev. Dan King
Preschool Director: Heather Fortson
Shekinah Praise Team Director: Elizabeth Maxwell
Steward: Walter Burkhalter