

# The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2025 ✕ 10 am

## Welcome to St. Bede's Episcopal Church

St. Bede's is a sacred place where God and the human pilgrimage meet. It is a welcoming community, characteristic of the God we serve as followers of Christ—welcoming and affirming people of every race, age, sexuality, culture, ethnicity, gender identity, education, economic circumstances, family configuration, and ability. We believe Jesus the Christ to be the incarnation of God's love—the God who is reconciling and offering hospitality to the whole world.

## Holy Eucharist The Liturgy of the Word

**Voluntary** *Olivet*

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn** Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve (*Siroë*)

**Hymnal 546**

**Opening Acclamation**

*One* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*Many* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**Collect for Purity** (*All pray together*)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Song of Praise** *Gloria in excelsis*

*Hymnal S 280 (Powell)*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



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## Collect of the Day

*Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.*

*One* God be with you.

*Many* And also with you.

*One* Together, let us pray.

Merciful God, you love justice and hate oppression. Give us courage to stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed; and give us fire to proclaim your burning gospel for the sake of Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Amen.

## Lesson Hebrews 11:29–12:2

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.

*One* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Many* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 82

<sup>1</sup> God stands in the council of heaven \*  
and gives judgment in the midst of the gods:

<sup>2</sup> **"How long will you judge unjustly, \*  
and show favor to the wicked?"**

<sup>3</sup> Save the weak and the orphan; \*  
defend the humble and needy;

<sup>4</sup> **Rescue the weak and the poor; \*  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.**

<sup>5</sup> They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; \*  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

<sup>6</sup> **Now I say to you, 'You are gods, \*  
and all of you children of the Most High;**

<sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, \*  
and fall like any ruler.' "

<sup>8</sup> **Arise, O God, and rule the earth, \*  
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

**Sequence Hymn** Lo! what a cloud of witnesses (*St. Fulbert*)

**Hymnal 545**

**Gospel** Luke 12:49–56

*One* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*Many* 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?"

*One* The Gospel of the Lord.

*Many* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon** The Rev'd Raymond Walker III

*A period of silence follows the sermon.*

### **Nicene Creed** *(sung by all)*

1

We believe in God the Father,  
God Almighty, by whose plan  
Earth and heaven sprang to being,  
All created things began.  
We believe in Christ the Savior,  
Son of God in human form,  
Child of Mary and the Spirit,  
God incarnate for us born.



2

Christ, who on the cross forsaken,  
Like a lamb to slaughter led,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
He descended to the dead.  
We believe in Jesus risen,  
As the scriptures do proclaim,  
To the Father's side ascended  
Till in glory comes to reign.



3

We believe in God the Spirit:  
In one Church, below, above;  
Saints of God in one communion,  
One in holiness and love.  
So by faith, our sins forgiven,  
Reconciled to foe and friend,  
We shall rise with Christ in glory  
To the life that knows no end.



words: Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1989, alt., 8.7.8.7.D  
music: *Holy Manna*, from *The Southern Harmony* (1835)

### **The Prayers of the People**

written by the people of St. Bede's

*The deacon bids the prayers.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*One* Loving God, we give thanks for your presence;  
*Many* **One God with many faces.**

*One* We pray for all baptized people;  
*Many* **That we may live fully into our covenant with you.**

*One* Give us faith to serve you in all people;  
*Many* **And our neighbors as ourselves.**

*One* Bless the leaders of our land;  
*Many* **That we may be a people at peace among ourselves  
and a blessing to other nations.**

*One* Give us wisdom to revere our mother earth;  
*Many* **That we may be faithful stewards of her abundance.**

*One* Open our eyes to the joys and sorrows of others;  
*Many* **That barriers which divide us may crumble  
and we may live in justice and peace.**

Let us welcome into this space our own prayers of celebration and hope ...  
Let us welcome in prayers for healing and wholeness ...  
Let us welcome in prayers for the Church and for the World ...  
Let us welcome in prayers for those who have died and for those who mourn ...

*The one presiding adds a concluding collect.*

### **Confession & Absolution**

*The deacon bids the confession.*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*A period of silence is kept. All pray together.*

God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

*One* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus  
Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in  
eternal life. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Please gently exchange the peace, perhaps with a wave or bow, as a courtesy to others.*

*One* The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*Many* And also with you.

## The Liturgy of the Table

**Presentation Hymn** Humbly I adore thee (*Adoro te devote*)

**Hymnal 314**

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B, *Book of Common Prayer*, 1979, alt.

*One* God be with you.  
*Many* And also with you.  
*One* Lift up your hearts.  
*Many* We lift them to the Lord.  
*One* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*Many* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*The one presiding continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

### Sanctus

*Hymnal S 129 (Powell)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Blest is the One who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The one presiding continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from Blessed Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, **“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”**

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, **“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for**

**all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."**

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember Christ's death,**

**We proclaim Christ's resurrection,**

**We await Christ's coming in glory.**

*The one presiding continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all, presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary, Blessed Julian, Blessed Bede, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*One* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All pray together*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

*The one presiding breaks the bread.*

### **Fraction Anthem**

*Hymnal S 155 (Near)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

*The one presiding extends the following invitation to share in communion.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Hymn at Communion** My faith looks up to thee (*Olivet*)

**Hymnal 691**

### **Announcements**

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

*All pray together*

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

### **Blessing**

*The one presiding pronounces God's blessing.*

**Closing Hymn** Hail, thou once despised Jesus (*In Babilone*)

**Hymnal 495**

### **Dismissal**

*One* Our worship has concluded and now our service begins.  
Let us go forth in the name of Christ  
*Many* Thanks be to God.

**Voluntary** *Adoro te devote*

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in memory of their son, Andrew MacPherson West,  
by Martha and David West



## St. Bede's Prayer List

### **In our St. Bede's community, prayer has recently been requested for:**

Helen Loeb  
Lynn Williams

### **Prayer has been requested on a more long-term basis for:**

Margie Klein	Sarah Jane and Jim Ohl
Michele Heller	Mary Rodriguez
Jim Handsfield	Helen Abraham
Barbie Olsen	Cameron Maddox
Dixie Snider	Aree Bancroft
Connie Coralli	Nancy Waring
David Boyd	Frances Bowen
Debhani Hernandez	Ann Foote
Al and Regina Studwell	Sue Ellen Lampros

### **Prayer has also been requested for these in our wider community:**

Family and friends of Stacey Cooper Phillips, *niece of Larry Bing*  
Adam Kallal, *friend of Anita Montelione*  
Edith Woodling, *priest and friend of St. Bede's*  
Paul Lee, *family of Cathe Echterhoff*  
Cindy Kennedy, *friend of Suzanne Shapiro*  
Megan Kendall, *friend of Laura Martin*  
John Miller, *friend of Sarah Jane and Jim Ohl*  
Kayt Hoch, *daughter-in-law of David and Martha West*  
Elizabeth McCollam, *daughter of Jennie and Richard Couture*  
Brooke Chandler, *friend of Larry Bing*  
Bill Edgar, *Beth Cannon's father*  
Edna Bacon, *Amanda Vaughn's aunt*  
Art Haecker, *Helen Loeb's brother*  
Carol Guthrie, *sister of Ann Foote*  
Andy Matia, *friend of Ann Foote*  
Mary Robert, *sister of Martha Robert*  
Wright Coleman, *son of Jennie Couture*  
Fay Key, *friend of the St. Bede's community*  
Eleanor Pearlman, *granddaughter of Gwen Heaton*  
Anne Jones, *sister of Claiborne Jones*

### **We pray for those who have died:**

Stacey Cooper Phillips, *niece of Larry Bing*  
Norman Douglas Williams, *father of Lynn Williams*

### **We give thanks for those serving our country in the military:**

Josh Bowers  
Jonathan

### **We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week**

8/17 Wil Tate	8/20 Barbie Olsen
8/19 Pat Callaway	8/23 Heidi Klein
8/20 Julia Dalbom	8/23 Karen Downen







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