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**Edwards Order of Worship  
The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017**



Dear Friends,

Welcome to our community of faith. We are so glad to have you worship with us this morning! It's our most fervent prayer that the Holy Spirit has connected you to the love of God through Jesus Christ our Lord. We invite you to be a part of any of our ministry and if we can serve you in any way don't hesitate to contact us, 970-476-0618.

Blessings,

*Father Brooks, Mother Emily, Deacon Steve, Denise, Margie, Mary, Rebecca, Sara, Katie and Kimberly*  
(ECOT Staff)

Please introduce yourself to us, especially if we can serve you anytime in the coming year.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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***Would you please:***

- Place me on your mailing list.
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  - Pray for \_\_\_\_\_
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***Could you tell me more about:***

- Services such as baptisms and weddings
- Mission and Outreach opportunities
- Children's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Adult Teachings
- Resources for personal challenges or help in a difficult time

***Please complete and tear this form off and place in the offertory plate.***

## Opening Hymn

### *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation*

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - eth; borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

## Children's Message

### Welcome & Announcements

*Celebrant*

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

*People*

*And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

*Bless the Lord my soul*

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.

The first system of musical notation is for the song 'Bless the Lord my soul'. It consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line begins with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note Bb4. The piano accompaniment begins with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G3, a quarter note A3, and a quarter note Bb3. The lyrics 'Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's ho - ly name.' are written below the vocal line.

Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

The second system of musical notation continues the song. The vocal line begins with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note Bb4. The piano accompaniment begins with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G3, a quarter note A3, and a quarter note Bb3. The lyrics 'Bless the Lord my soul, Who leads me in - to life.' are written below the vocal line.

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

*And also with you.*

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

*All sit.*

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

*Reader*                      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*                        ***Thanks be to God.***

### Psalm 103:8-13

- 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
*slow to anger and of great kindness.*
- 9 He will not always accuse us, \*  
*nor will he keep his anger for ever.*
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
*nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.*
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
*so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.*
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
*so far has he removed our sins from us.*
- 13 As a father cares for his children, \*  
*so does the Lord care for those who fear him.*

## Second Reading

Romans 14:1-12

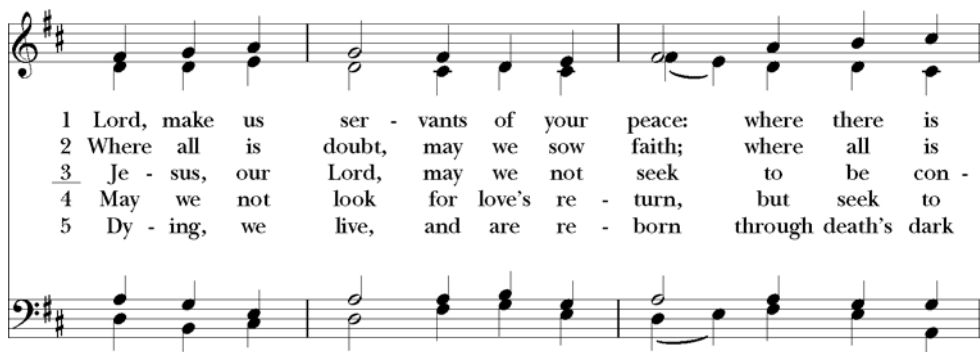
Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

*Reader*                    The Word of the Lord.

*People*                    ***Thanks be to God.***

*All stand.*

*Lord, make us servants of your peace*



1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is  
2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is  
3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -  
4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to  
5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark



1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -  
2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow  
3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing  
4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -  
5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your



1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.  
2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.  
3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.  
4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.  
5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

*Deacon*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

*Deacon*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## Sermon

*All stand.*



## Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The Deacon says,*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

*Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.*

*For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

*The Priest stands and says*

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

## Peace

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*          *And also with you.*

## Offertory Hymn

*O bless the Lord, my soul*

1 O    bless the Lord, my    soul! His    grace to    thee pro - claim!  
2 O    bless the Lord, my    soul! His    mer - cies bear in mind!  
3 He    will not al - ways    chide; he    will with pa - tience wait;  
4 He    par - dons all thy    sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;  
5 He    clothes thee with his    love, up - holds thee with his truth;

1 And    all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!  
2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.  
3 his    wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.  
4 he    heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.  
5 and    like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

## Holy Communion

*Celebrant*           The Lord be with you.

*People*               ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant*           Lift up your hearts.

*People*               ***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Celebrant*           Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*               ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we bring you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of your Son. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again. Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

*The Celebrant then continues*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.*

*Give us today our daily bread.*

*Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.*

*Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.*

*For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized persons are welcome and encouraged to receive both the bread and the wine of the Eucharist. People who are not baptized or who prefer not to receive communion are invited to come forward and cross their arms to receive a blessing. Those desiring a gluten-free wafer may request one from the priest when they come forward to receive communion.*

*Create in me a clean Heart*

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a right spirit within me.*

*Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord,  
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,  
And renew a right spirit within me.*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

*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.*

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**

*Deacon* Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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