

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ESTHER

### GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL STAR POINTS:

- ❖ When giving their lectures, the Star Points speak loudly, slowly, and clearly and pronounce words correctly.
- ❖ The Star Points work together, watching each other to make movements in unison.
- ❖ The Star Points stand at the side of her chair by taking one step to the outside, then one step back with the other foot, bringing the first foot back.

### OPENING

- ❖ During the Altar Services, Esther faces the Altar as the Conductress leaves her station.
- ❖ All members of the Chapter assume the Reverent Attitude as the Conductress enters the Labyrinth.
- ❖ Esther faces the East as the Chaplain leaves the altar following the Prayer.
- ❖ All members drop the Reverent Attitude as the Chaplain reaches the edge of the Labyrinth.
- ❖ When addressed by the Worthy Matron, Esther gives a slight nod to her before replying and after her last response.
- ❖ Esther holds her sign until the members give the appropriate pass. She does not give the pass to her sign.
- ❖ During an Open Meeting, Esther faces the Altar when the Conductress leaves her station to open or close the Bible.
- ❖ All members will assume the Reverent Attitude as the Conductress enters the Labyrinth and drop it as she steps to the edge of the Labyrinth.

### INITIATION:

- ❖ When the Worthy Patron leaves his station to enter the Labyrinth for the Obligation, Esther faces the Altar.
- ❖ All members assume the Reverent Attitude when the Worthy Patron enters the Labyrinth.
- ❖ When the WP backs out of the Labyrinth, Esther faces the East.
- ❖ Esther does not rise until the Conductress addresses her.
- ❖ Before responding, Esther rises and steps to the right side of her chair.
  - She does not nod to the Conductress.
  - She does not use gestures or look at the flower basket when referring to the color of her station.
- ❖ Esther steps back in front of her chair before she picks up her emblem.

- ❖ Esther picks up the crown and scepter with both hands, holding it with the crown facing the altar.
- ❖ After the Conductress and new member(s) have passed her station on the right, Esther replaces the crown and scepter with the crown facing toward the altar and is seated.

### **PRAYER CIRCLE**

- ❖ The Star Points enter the Labyrinth with the Worthy Matron and all other officers.
- ❖ Each Star Point prepares to enter the Prayer Circle by stepping around the back of her chair.
- ❖ Esther enters the Labyrinth between the Associate Matron and the Associate Patron.
- ❖ When the Conductress brings the new member into the Prayer Circle, Esther takes the left hand of the Associate Matron and the right hand of the Associate Patron.
- ❖ To leave the Prayer Circle, Esther backs out of the Labyrinth, returns to the right side of her chair, and faces the East.

### **CLOSING**

- ❖ During Altar Services, Esther faces the Altar as the Chaplain leaves her/his station.
- ❖ All members assume the Reverent Attitude as the Chaplain enters the Labyrinth.
- ❖ Esther faces the East as the Conductress leaves the altar following the Prayer.
- ❖ All members drop the Reverent Attitude as the Conductress reaches the edge of the Labyrinth.