



# THE 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 23, 2022

10 am

**ST. DUNSTAN'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Welcome to St Dunstan's! We are glad you are here!*

*If you are new, or would like to update your information, please fill out a pew card.*

*Please silence your phones and wear your mask while indoors.*

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*The congregation is invited to observe silence during the prelude,  
out of respect for those who are listening, and as an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and healing.*

**Prelude** Ballade en mode phrygien

*Jehan Alain (1911-1940)*

**Processional Hymn 616** Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

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

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

**Almighty God,** to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

**Gloria S278** Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis

*William Mathias*



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  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**The Collect of the Day** *The people stand or kneel.*

Priest The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

*A great day in the history of Israel: in the restored city of Jerusalem Ezra gathers the people together so that they may hear and understand the law of Moses. It would seem that many of the people were unfamiliar with their traditions, and this reading may have taken place at a time when their laws and stories had been newly gathered together and edited. We note the people's reverence for their scriptures, and the manner in which they are not only read but also expounded to them, probably in their own language of Aramaic, since the law was written in Hebrew.*

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 19:8,9,10,15 *Caeli enarrant***

*A hymn which glorifies the Creator God, with special praise for God's law and a prayer for avoidance of sin.*

*Cantor then the people sing the antiphon*



The law of the LORD is perfect;  
It revives the soul.  
The decrees of the LORD are steadfast;  
They give wisdom to the simple.

*The people sing the antiphon*

The precepts of the LORD are right;  
They gladden the heart.  
The command of the LORD is clear;  
It gives light to the eyes.

*The people sing the antiphon*

The fear of the LORD is pure,  
Abiding forever.  
The judgments of the LORD are true;  
They are, all of them, just.

*The people sing the antiphon*

May the spoken words of my mouth,  
The thoughts of my heart,  
Win favor in your sight, O LORD,  
My rock and my redeemer!

*The people sing the antiphon*

## 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

*Paul describes Christians as the body of Christ. Each individual is a necessary part of the body. Against any tendencies toward disunity, it must be remembered that all have been baptized into one body and have drunk of one Spirit. Just as there are different organs and limbs of the human body, so individuals have different abilities and ministries. But none can be dispensed with. They are all joined together to care for one another.*

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**Luke 4:14–21**

*Jesus returns to Galilee and enters the synagogue in Nazareth. Here he gives what has been called his inaugural sermon. He reads from the book of the prophet Isaiah. These words offer hope and good news to the poor, and tell of healing and freedom for the oppressed. This time, Jesus says, has begun.*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

*After the sermon a brief silence is kept.*

The Rev. Laurel Coote

The Nicene Creed *All Stand.*

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

**W**e 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.

**W**e 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 worshipped 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.

## **The Prayers of the People** *Standing or kneeling.*

Leader God's glory has been veiled in flesh. Our flesh has become a glorious epiphany. Let us then present before the Lord of glory our gift of prayer for those who are in need, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who walk in the darkness of violence and oppression, and for all who by their life and preaching cast into that darkness the light of God's peace and justice, let us pray to the Lord.

**People Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For all who carry on the teaching of prophets and apostles, and for the full communion in life and worship of those who receive God's word, let us pray to the Lord.

**People Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For all who have at their disposal this world's riches, and for all who call out to them, let us pray to the Lord.

**People Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For all who raise their eyes to the heavens looking for healing and deliverance [especially N.], let us pray to the Lord.

**People Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For the rulers of the earth, and for every child that stands in need of their protection, let us pray to the Lord.

**People Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader For all who through death have passed into the full epiphany of God's glory [especially N.], let us pray to the Lord.

**People Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest O God of stars and journeys, you lead us day by day to the joyful vision of your light. Move us by the power of your word that we too might open our gifts for others and so receive in our hearts the child of Bethlehem. So may you be praised and adored through the same Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**



**Confession of Sin** *Standing or kneeling. Silence may be kept.*

Priest **L**et us turn to the most holy One and confess our sin,  
confident in God's faithful and steadfast love for us.

*Silence*

People **M**ost 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 Absolution**

Priest **A**lmighty 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** *All stand.*

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*The people exchange the peace with one another.*

**Announcements** *All are seated.*

**Birthday & Anniversary Blessings**

**O** God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your  
servant N. as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow  
in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness  
all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Offertory

Priest Let us give to God with generosity and gladness  
the offerings of our lives, our labors and our love.

**Offertory Anthem** Laudate nomen Domini

*Christopher Tye (1505-c. 1571)*

Laudate nomen Domini, vos servi Domini;  
ab ortu solis usque ad occasum ejus.

*Praise the name of the Lord, you servants of the Lord;  
from the rising of the sun until the same setting.*

Decreta Dei justa sunt, et cor exhilarant:  
laudate Deum principes et omnes populi.

*The decrees of the Lord are just, and [their] heart is glad:  
Praise the Lord you princes and all you people.*

**Offertory Hymn 632** O Christ, The Word Incarnate

*Munich*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.  
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer C*

Priest The Lord be with you.  
People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.  
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Priest God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Priest At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, And this fragile earth, our island home.  
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Priest From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.  
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Priest Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.  
People **By his blood, he reconciled us.  
By his wounds, we are healed.**

Priest And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

# Sanctus S130 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Franz Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

Priest And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Priest On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption,  
and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Priest Lord God of our Ancestors; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:  
Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Priest Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

**People 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,**

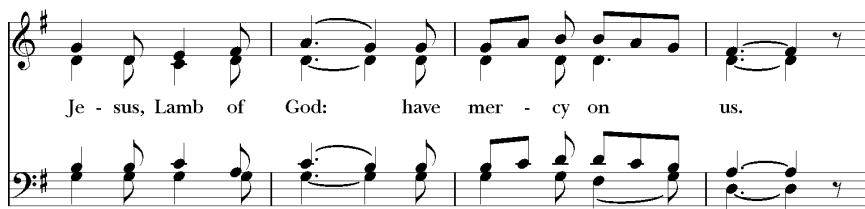
**for ever and ever. Amen.**

# The Breaking of the Bread

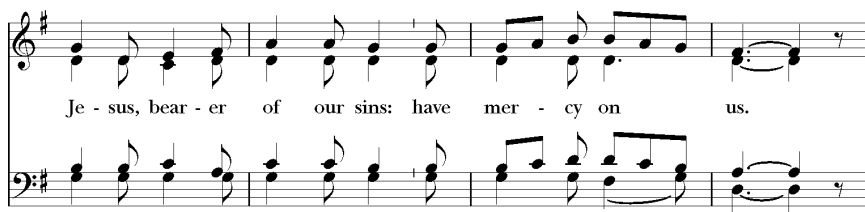
*The Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

## Fraction Anthem S164

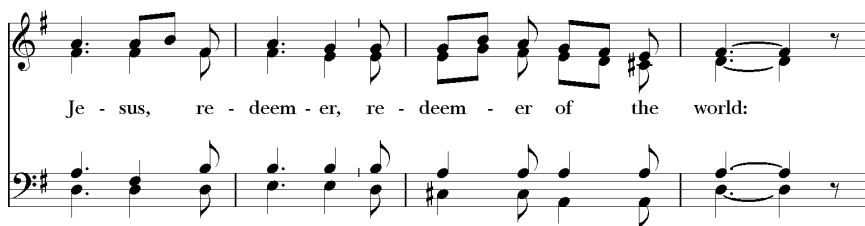
*Schubert*



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

Priest These are the Gifts of God, given for you, God's beloved. So come and receive. It is the Lord who invites you and His will that those who desire him, should meet him here.

## **ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION**

All are welcome to receive communion. The table we set is the Lord's. Wherever you find yourself on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive the Bread made holy.

When directed by the usher, come forward to the communion station.

Please keep your mask on with your hands extended to receive the Host.

The bread is received in the open palm.

Once you have moved away from the Minister,  
you may remove one side of your mask, consume the Host, and replace your mask.

Those who prefer to receive a blessing may indicate this by  
crossing their arms over their chest.

If you have a wheat sensitivity, you may ask the priest for a gluten-free wafer.

**Communion Hymn 576** God Is Love

*Mandatum*

## **The Post-Communion Prayer**

Priest Let us pray.

People **E**ternal 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.**

## The Blessing

Priest **M**ay the Spirit's love,  
flowing like water across the face of the earth,  
fill you with every gift for the good of the world.

And the blessing of God, Eternal Source,  
Fountain of Life, and Giver of Gifts, be with you always.

**Recessional Green Hymnal 782** Gracious Spirit, Give Your Servants

*Abbot's Leigh*

Priest **L**et us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** The Heaven's Declare the Glory of God

*Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)*

*The people are invited to listen and observe silence during the postlude.  
All are welcome to enjoy fellowship with one another outside the church during coffee hour.*



*St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church celebrates God's diverse creation  
and strives to build an inclusive community that welcomes everyone, no matter age, gender, sexual identity,  
culture, ethnicity, economic status, or ability.*

## The Return of the Coffee Hour Hosts!

We are finally back to the point where we can welcome you to sign up as a host for Coffee Hour! Yay! If you are not familiar with what a Coffee Hour Host does, talk with the church office for information or check the eNews.

Ready to sign up? Look for the sign up sheet on the Welcome Table.

### Weekly Bulletins available electronically

Whether you want to save the environment by using less paper, like the idea of reading on your device, want to see what's coming up or what is past, our weekly worship bulletins are available as a PDF online at [stdcv.org/bulletins](http://stdcv.org/bulletins)

THIRD 9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
July 22, 2018  
10:00 AM  
WELCOME TO ST. DUNSTON'S! We are glad to see you!  
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**THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD**  
Psalm 119:105  
Matthew 28:19-20  
John 1:1-9  
John 1:10-13  
John 1:14-18  
John 1:19-28  
John 1:29-34  
John 1:35-42  
John 1:43-51

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John 1:43-51



## Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests



For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel [revlaurel@stdcv.org](mailto:revlaurel@stdcv.org) or on her cell 310-562-5746. And you can always leave a message on the Pastoral Care line at church [831-624-6646](tel:831-624-6646) ext 5.

Our Daughters of the King chapter welcomes your prayer requests. Prayer requests may be sent to [dok@stdcv.org](mailto:dok@stdcv.org). The Daughters pray for members of our parish as well as many others daily.

*Sign up today to receive*

### St. Dunstan's weekly eNews

Getting weekly news, links to sermons, updates, and schedules is as simple as visiting [stdcv.org/subscribe](http://stdcv.org/subscribe) and entering your email address.

### Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to [office@stdcv.org](mailto:office@stdcv.org) by midnight Sunday.

### Virtual Family Church

Sunday, January 23, 4—6 pm

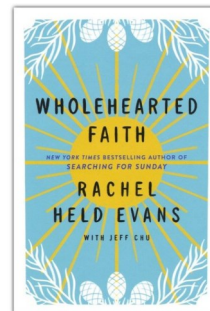
To receive your "Star Packet" for this virtual event, contact Elizabeth Buche at [families@stdcv.org](mailto:families@stdcv.org)

## Discussion Group Sundays, 9 am

This week we continue discussing Wholehearted Faith by Rachel Held Evans. We are now meeting in the Guild Room with masks.

Or you can join us via Zoom:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9109922704>  
Meeting ID: 910 992 2704

For more information, speak with Janel Hornbeck.



### *Help us get to know you by* Filling out a Pew Card

If you are visiting us, are new to Saint Dunstan's, or if your contact information has changed, please fill out a Pew Card and drop it in the collection plate. Thanks!

## Bishop's Visitation Sunday, February 27



Plan to be at St. Dunstan's on Sunday, February 27, as we welcome Bishop Lucinda on her annual parish visit.

If you are interested in being baptized or confirmed, speak with Rev. Laurel.

## *An Update from your* **Nominating Committee**

Your Nominating Committee, comprised of the Rector and outgoing Vestry Members, is pleased to report that we have sought and received several nominees for the 2022 Vestry, and are still seeking nominations for Delegates to Convention. After prayerful consideration and discernment, the committee will present its recommended slate of candidates to the congregation on Thursday, January 27th in the eNews (or via email by request). Voting will take place at the Annual Parish Meeting on January 30 at 11:30 am in the church. Additional nominations are welcome and may be submitted to any member of the committee (Michelle Wilsdon, Norman Parris, Mike Cervi, Katy Linforth, Rev. Laurel) for consideration no later than today at 2 pm. While a final recommended slate will be presented at the Annual Meeting for vote, please note that nominations from the floor are allowed. If you have any questions, please contact [Rev. Laurel](#)

## **2022 Annual Parish Meeting** **Sunday, January 30; 11:30 am**

It is time once again to gather and look at the year that has past and to begin the work of the year to come.

Now, you might think "a meeting doesn't sound fun," but this is really more of a celebration. We do need to take care of some important parish business — electing some new vestry members, and delegates to convention, for example — but we also hear about all the work we have accomplished; to see how far we have come and how we have adapted to the challenges that 2021 offered us, and to present the **Scalloped Potato** and **Broken Hammer** awards. You certainly don't want to miss THAT!

## **Dedicate Altar Flowers**

This is a lovely and meaningful way to give Glory to God in celebration of a birthday, or in thanksgiving, or in memory of a loved one. The cost of the flowers is \$20, but some give more. Checks should be made out to St. Dunstan's with "Altar Flowers" in the memo.

Sign up on the Welcome Table

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# THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

PARISH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY—THURSDAY, 9 AM—12 NOON

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## Sunday, January 23

8:00 am Holy Eucharist  
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal  
9:00 am Discussion Group  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)  
11:00 am Coffee Hour  
4:00 pm Virtual Family Church

## Monday, January 24

## Tuesday, January 25

3:00 pm Staff Meeting  
7:30 pm AA

## Wednesday, January 26

10:00 am Holy Eucharist  
11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

## Thursday, January 27

4:00 pm Vestry Meeting  
6:30 pm Confirmation Prep Class

## Friday, January 28

## Saturday, January 29

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

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11:00 am Coffee Hour  
11:30 am Annual Parish Meeting

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View the entire parish calendar [stdcv.org/calendar](http://stdcv.org/calendar)

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 2 Bob Priestley  | 17 Joe Heston    | 26 Norman Parris  |
| 9 Dug Stewart    | 22 Duncan Clarke | 27 Ashley Blacow  |
| 11 Remy Ryan     | 22 Ollie Collins | 27 Jack Enbom     |
| 15 John Greenway | 22 Judy Kirk     | 29 Helena Miller  |
| 17 Mary Clarkson | 22 Cathy Solms   | 30 Lincoln Talley |



## **WE HOPE YOU FIND YOURS HERE**

Here is a place that is ancient and new, a faith that we hold going back to Jesus, back to his spiritual ancestors, back to those who walked the earth and found holy ground. And what we do is often based on really ancient patterns—worship and music; loving service to the poor, the hurting, the lonely; working for justice and peace; lively, fearless education and formation of minds and souls. And that faith is also completely contemporary, engaged in the culture and the needs of the moment.

## **WHAT WE ARE FOR**

The dignity and worth of every person. An open minded, passionate commitment to truth. The importance of everyone's own spiritual journey. God's friends wherever we find them. Seeking Christ in every person who comes through the door. The sacredness of life's rites of passage. The value of community. The hard work necessary to make sure that all are welcomed. Telling the truth about life's challenges. A "user-friendly" church experience. Children, youth and families. We believe that God is love, and we pray that God will use us to spread that love.

## **WHAT WE ARE AGAINST**

Claiming to have all the answers. Elitism and exclusivism, especially in church. Bigotry for any reason. Authoritarianism. Indifference to injustice and suffering. Certitude in the face of ambiguity and superficial answers to hard questions. Boring sermons, bad music and general cluelessness. (So, God help us, because we don't always avoid these!)

## **WHAT WE VALUE**

Community, open hearts, open minds, open arms. Faith. Fortitude. Staying current, but equally staying rooted in tradition. Reason and honesty. Civic responsibility. Debate that allows for mutual respect. Music and beauty for their own sake. Joy in God's creation. Anyone who makes an effort to get to know and follow Jesus.

## **WELCOME!**

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