



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 16, 2022

8 am

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.
And please join us for coffee and fellowship immediately following the service.*

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 The Silver Trumpet

Gilbert Martin (b. 1941)

Stand at the ringing of the bell.

Priest Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Priest 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.**

People **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

**you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

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

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

God of the dispossessed, you teach us to hunger for justice even when the weak are shut out and the powerful turn over in their beds: in the heat of our anger and the bitterness of our complaints, give us the courage to protest, the persistence to pray, and the heart to love; through Jesus Christ, the true judge. **Amen.**

Jeremiah 31:27–34

The prophet foresees a new covenant which God will make with the Lord's own people, a covenant written not on tablets of stone but on human hearts. Israel and Judah have broken the covenant that the Lord made when he brought them out of slavery in Egypt. Now they are about to go into exile. Yet the days are coming when their sins will be forgiven, and God will establish a new relationship with them. This covenant will be based not on external law but on an inner knowing of the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say:

“The parents have eaten sour grapes,
and the children's teeth are set on edge.”

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:97–104 *Quomodo dilexi!*

A celebration of the wisdom that comes from meditation upon God's law.

- 97 Oh, how I love your law! *
all the day long it is in my mind.
- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, *
and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, *
for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders, *
because I observe your commandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *
that I may keep your word.
- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.
- 103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
- 104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.

2 Timothy 3:14–4:5

Paul exhorts Timothy to continue calmly and diligently with his ministry, teaching from the scriptures and preaching the word of God. The passage suggests a period in the life of the church when there were a number of teachers, who called themselves Christians but who presented their own versions of the faith. Now is a time to stress the essentials. Timothy is urged to remain established in what he has been taught and in the scriptures, meaning here the writings of the Old Testament, which are useful for many forms of instruction.

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 18:1–8

Jesus tells a comic parable about a judge who was so pestered by a woman that he finally gave in to her pleas. The evangelist tells the story in order to commend persistent prayer. It would be particularly appropriate at a time when the people were losing heart. An earlier focus of the parable was probably on the corrupt and impious judge. If even such a man as this will finally render justice, how much more will God hear those who call on God.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’” And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them?”

I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. John Saville

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Nicene Creed *All Stand.*

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 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

Feasting on the Word Worship Companion

The people stand or kneel

Leader **L**oving God, we offer our prayers this day in Gratitude and thanksgiving, for in Christ you have laid a foundation for us that we might follow you more closely.

We pray for the mission of your church and thank you for the joy and encouragement we receive from you through our church family:
Give us the grace to plant faith and build love wherever you lead us to the benefit of your reign.

People Hear us, O God.

Leader We pray for all leaders and people of this world:
Give us a clear vision of the world as you intend
and the will to realize that dream of justice and peace for all.

People Hear us, O God.

Leader We pray for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially *N.*,
and those we name now either silently or aloud:

The people may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Bring refreshment to their hearts through Christ that they may know your abiding presence and power to comfort and heal.

People Hear us, O God.

Leader We pray for your creation:
Convict us in the ways in which we break down and destroy the fabric of your world and give us the will to amend our ways as we seek to live in harmony with goodness you have created.

People Hear us, O God.

Leader We pray for the dying and for those who have died, especially *N.*,
and those we now name, either silently or aloud:

The people may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

May they rest in your eternal glory with all the saints in light.

People Hear us, O God.

Priest **N**ow to you be all the glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
now and forever, **Amen.**

The Confession

Priest If we call out in need, the Lord will answer.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

Silence may be kept.

People **G**od of goodness and truth,
we have failed to seek after your wisdom and
have followed paths that have led away from you.
Forgive our foolish ways, and lead us in your truth,
that we may live in the fullness of life
as you intend, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

The Absolution

Priest **B**eloved, your sins are forgiven, for God is merciful and just.
Therefore, be reconciled to the Lord and to one another,
walking in the light of Christ. **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.*

The Offertory

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship; Eucharistic Prayer 3

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 **A**ll thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

People **H**oly, 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.

Priest **G**lory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:
“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Priest And so, remembering all that was done for us:
the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's
coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed
and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

People **Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Priest Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they
may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with
your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life,
draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with
blessed Dunstan, Andre, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy
Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

People **Blessed are you now and for ever. 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.

Priest We share this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Priest This is the table of the Lord.

It is made ready for those who love him, and for those who want to love him more.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,

You who have been here often and you who have not been here long,

You who have tried to follow and you who have failed.

Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.

It is his will that those who want 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 Holy Communion.

The bread is received in the open palm.

If you choose to receive the cup, gently guide the chalice to your lips by touching the base.

At this time, we are not able to allow dipping the wafer into the chalice.

Those who prefer to receive a blessing, or who choose not to receive the cup, 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.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Priest Let us pray.

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.**

The Blessing

Priest **M**ay the peace of Christ be with you,
May the love of God dwell deep in your heart,
May the Spirit enlighten your way,
May you walk in the comfort of God's care,
This day, and always. **Amen.**

Priest **L**et us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

All are welcome to enjoy fellowship with one another outside the church during coffee hour.

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
& in memory of Ruth Hardisty by Hana Ferguson*



*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.*

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!

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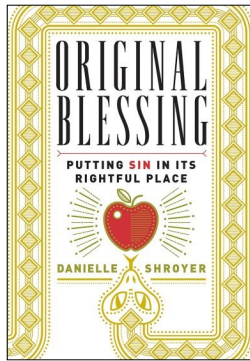
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Welcome back, Fr. John and Kathleen Saville!

We are delighted to have Fr. John and Kathleen back among us as John fills in while Laurel is on vacation.

Discussion Group Sundays, 9 am

This week, the Discussion Group start Original Blessing, by Danielle Shroyer. Even if you have not read it you are welcome join us for this conversation!



We meet in the Guild Room. If you would like to join us via Zoom, or for more info, please contact Jean Scholefield.

Join us for food, fun and fellowship! Harvest Celebration

Next Sunday, October 23rd
Following the 10am service

*Chili Cook Off (meat and veggie),
Pumpkin Decorating, Games & more!*

Sign up on the Welcome Table to enter the contest or to bring sides.

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to bulletin@stdcv.org by midnight Sunday.

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



Have your picture taken for Our Photo Directory



Do you have a picture in our photo directory? Does the picture in our photo directory still look

like you? No? Well, you are in luck!

For the next several weeks, Marcia Lockwood will be in the breezeway after worship taking picture for anyone who needs or simply wants a new one.

Stop by and see her. It is a wonderful way to help people at St. Dunstan's know who you are!

Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests



For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel 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 110.

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

Melanie Cervi, Organist

This week we continue to give thanks for Melanie Cervi sharing her organ talents with us. Thank you, Melanie!

Click to Give

Scan this QR code to access our online giving portal where you can make a general gift, pay for altar flowers, support



Nancy's Project or the Haiti Team, pay towards your pledge, or even set up recurring payments. And, with the click of a box you can also opt to cover the processing

fees which helps us make the most of your donation.

Thank you for your generous support of our mission and ministries!

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

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, October 16

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

Monday, October 17

3:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting
5:30 pm Zoom Compline

Tuesday, October 18

9:00 am Centered Discipleship Group
7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, October 19

10:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
4:30 pm Haiti Team Meeting
6:30 pm Centered Discipleship Group Zoom

Thursday, October 20

4:00 pm Vestry Meeting
I-Help Men

Friday, October 21

Saturday, October 22

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 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
Harvest Fest & Chili Cook-off

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Jessica Pavloff	11 Brishen Gregorio	24 Marian Mizelle
2 Abby Brown	16 Ollie White	25 Victoria Franklin
3 Barbara Simmons	19 Elizabeth Pasquinelli	27 Donna Roth
3 Jessica Bohlman	19 Chuck Vout	29 Daniel Garcia
8 Gloria Rodda	22 Joshua Pavloff	
10 Therese Owen	23 Eleanor Avila	



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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