

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 13, 2022

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 Ballade Op. 38

Frédéric Chopin

Stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 598 Lord Christ when first thou cam'st to earth

Mit freuden zart

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.**

Gloria S278 Glory to God (Canticle 20)

William Mathias (b. 1934)





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, who is faithful when all the foundations crumble: in the time of crisis, as holy places fall and nations stumble, give us the conviction to bear witness to love, whatever the cost; through Jesus Christ the Word and Wisdom of God.

Amen.

Isaiah 65:17-25

A blessed time when God will overcome many of life's shortcomings and frustrations. A prophet probably wrote these words in a period after the people had returned from exile but while there was still much cause for discouragement. A new order will come for Jerusalem. No longer will children die young or workers not know the fruits of their labor. Even the animals will enjoy the new age.

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 9: The First Song of Isaiah Ecce Deus (Isaiah 12:2-6)

A canticle of praise announcing the vindication of those who have placed their confidence in the Lord God.

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, * and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing * from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; * see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, * and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, * for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Paul deals with the problem of those who are so expectant that the Lord will come soon and are so meddlesome in the affairs of others that they have given up their daily work. These individuals may have believed that they were already exalted to such a spiritual plane that mundane matters were no longer a concern for them. This may seem like piety on their part, but it means they have become a problem for others. Paul reminds them of his own example and bluntly rules that such people should either work or else not eat.

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

Gradual Hymn 679 Surely it is God who saves me

Thomas Merton

Luke 21:5-19

The disciples are forewarned of the destruction of the Jewish temple and of great upheavals in the natural and supernatural order that must take place before the end of history. There will be persecutions and divisions in families. Individuals will appear claiming to be Jesus. While in some passages the New Testament suggests that the end and fulfillment of human time will come quite unexpectedly, here the disciples are advised of a period of great tribulation when the powers of evil will make their final onslaught. In one sense this is poetic language used to describe the indescribable, but it insists that the ultimate meaning of life will finally be known.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon Rebecca Miller

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

Offertory Anthem He Leadeth Me

arr. Janelle Clark

He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heav'nly comfort fraught. What e'er I do, where e'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, Nor ever murmur nor repine: Content whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me! By his own hand He leadeth me. His faithful follower I would be, For by his hand He leadeth me.

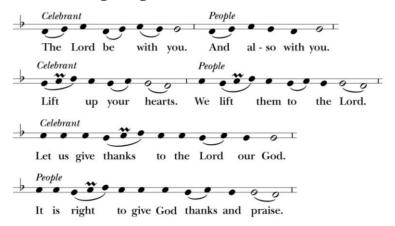
And when my task on earth is done, When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won, E'en death's cold wave I will ot flee since God through Jordan leadeth me.

Refrain

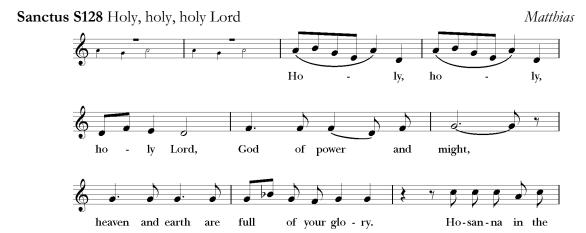
THE HOLY COMMUNION

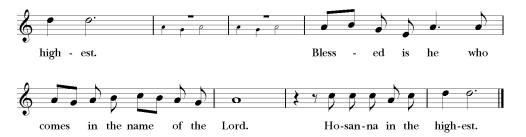
The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship; Eucharistic Prayer 3



Priest All 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:





Priest

Glory 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."

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 Bles-sed are you now and for e - ver. A - MEN.

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 forcive us our treepasses, as we forcive those who treepasses.

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.

Fraction Anthem WLP 876 The disciples knew the Lord Jesus

Jack Warren Burnam



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.

Communion Green Hymnal 742 Loving Spirit, loving Spirit

Omni die

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 May 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.

Recessional Hymn 665 All My Hope on God is Founded

Michael

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. **People Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Impromptu

Franz Schubert

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.

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God & in memory of our parents and siblings by Ann & Duncan Clarke

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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.

Welcome this week's quest pianist

Margaret Counihan

Welcome to St. Dunstan's Margaret! Thank you for helping lead us as we worship in song this week.

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!

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 and entering your email address.

TODAY!

Martinmas Lantern Walk

Join us today for our Martinmas Celebration and Lantern Walk at St Mary's Pacific Grove.

We will gather from 4:30 to 6 pm for fellowship, the

darker days of winter.

Lantern Walk and light snacks. We will light our luminaries and sing songs to bring the light deep into our hearts as a way to carry it with us through the long

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



Join us to create your

Seasonal Advent Wreath Sunday, November 27th Following the 10am service in Brock Hall

All materials will be provided including take home information on ways to use your wreath.

To help us ensure we have enough materials please sign up on the Welcome Table to let us know you will be participating.

Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests

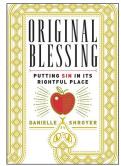
For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel revlaurel@stdcv.org or on her cell 310-562-5746. And you can always leave a message on the Pastoral Care line at church 831-624-6646 ext 110.

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.

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.

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

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!

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!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Janel Hornbeck	14 Pam Gallaway	24 Kent Saunders
1 Cynthia Young	14 Danielle Gregorio	25 Corliss Kelly
1 Shelley Franklin	16 Laine Rethmeier	25 Hal Snellgrose
6 Barbara Greenway	16 Josh Welty	25 Brynn Bohlman
6 Beth Heston	18 Nick Leonoff	26 Phyllis Elson
7 Holly Pease	21 Betty Kasson	27 Barbara Brooks
9 Val Parsel	22 John Tomlin	27 Mike Cervi
9 Ramona Smith	23 Katie Murray	28 Janet Morse

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, November 13	Thursday, November 17	
8:00 am Holy Eucharist	4:00 pm Vestry Meeting	
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal		
9:00 am Discussion Group		
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)		
11:00 am Coffee Hour	Friday, November 18	
WSD Holiday Gift Fair Mtg		
4:00 pm Church for All Generations:		
Martinmas Lantern Walk		
Monday, November 14	Saturday, November 19	
3:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting	9:00 am Choir Rehearsal	
5:30 pm Zoom Compline		
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Tuesday, November 15		
9:00 am Centered Discipleship Group	C 1 N 1 20	
4:00 pm St. Dunstan's Foundation Mtg	Sunday, November 20	
7:30 pm AA	8:00 am Holy Eucharist	
•	8:30 am Choir Rehearsal	
Wednesday, November 16	9:00 am Discussion Group	
10:00 am Holy Eucharist	Thanksgiving Reception	
11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry	10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)	
6:30 pm Centered Discipleship Group Zoom	11:00 am Thanksgiving Reception	
4:30 pm Haiti Team Meeting	12:00 pm J2A Youth Group (St. Mary's)	

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar



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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