

THE 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 11, 2021 10 am

ST. DUNSTAN'S

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

Please silence your phones and wear your mask while indoors.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Prelude Andantino-Cantilene, Opus 2

Charles Tournemire

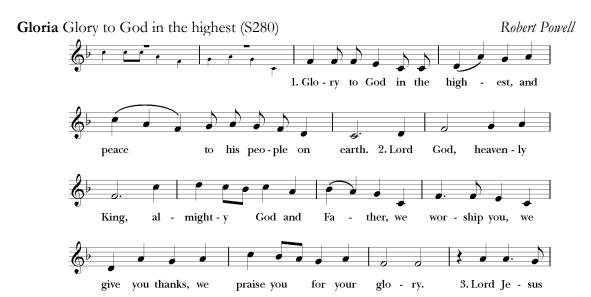
Processional Hymn 408 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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Priest Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

People 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.





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.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Amos 7:7-15

Amos is given a vision of a plumb line, and he prophesies God's judgment regardless of the personal consequences. A plumb line hangs down and shows whether a wall is vertical. Israel's heart is out of line, and God is out of patience. The priest of the royal shrine at Bethel reports Amos's words to the king and tells him to prophesy elsewhere. Amos replies that he is not one of the official, professional prophets that do others' bidding. God has called him.

This is what the Lord GOD showed me: the LORD was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by;

the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,

and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword,

and Israel must go into exile

away from his land.' "

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycomore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85:8-13 Benedixisti, Domine

The psalm both celebrates and prays for the Lord's gracious favor, God's forgiveness, deliverance, and justice.

- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, * for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, * that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; * righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, * and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, * and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, * and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

Ephesians 1:3-14

Paul praises God for the glorious inheritance that has been ordained for those who are now the children of God. Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, our freedom from sin is made possible. Now we share in the mystery of God's plan to form a universal community in association with Christ. In all this we have the Holy Spirit as a kind of pledge or down payment for the fullness of the heritage to come.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

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

Gradual Hymn 382 King of Glory

General Seminary

Mark 6:14-29

The death of John the Baptist by order of King Herod. John the Baptist's preaching sharply criticized Herod for his marriage To Herodias, who had been the wife of Herod's brother Philip. Herod was intrigued and also fearful of John, but at a banquet at which Herodias's daughter performed, the king rashly promised the girl whatever request she might make. At her mother's prompting, the girl asks for the head of John the Baptist. John's fearlessness, Herodias's brutality, and Herod's expediency thus intersect and lead to John's martyrdom.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified.

Who 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

from Intercessions for the Christian People

The people stand or kneel

Leader Inspired by the Spirit, we now offer our Sunday prayers to God in the name of Jesus Christ, saying: Lord, have mercy.

For the fulfillment of the mission of the church, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the liberation of the children of God from the bondage of fear, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the consolation of all those who struggle with doubts or disbelief, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For renewed witness to the gospel among Christian people in positions of public trust, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For our assembly as we hand on the faith of our ancestors from one generation to another, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the sick and the suffering, the lonely and the dying, [especially N.]. let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader We remember those who have died, [including N.]. let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader In the communion of the Holy Spirit, with Mary, the mother of the Son of God, with St. Dunstan, St. Andre and with all the saints in light, let us commend our lives and the lives of one another to the Lord. **Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Priest

We pause for a moment of reflection as we prepare to acknowledge the ways we have turned away from God.

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 Absolution

Priest

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.

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 Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem Rendez à Dieu

arr, James Biery

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest Blessed are you, God of all creation;

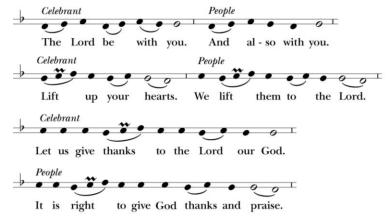
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.

Accept and use our offerings for your glory.

People Blessed be God forever.

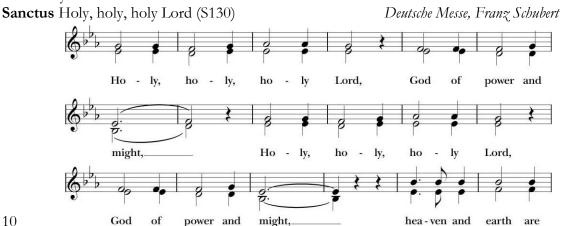


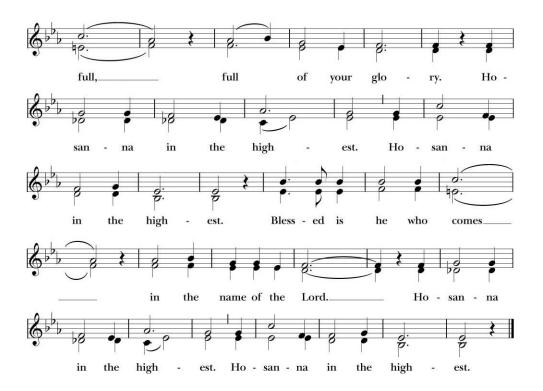
Eucharistic Prayer B



Priest 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 you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:





The people stand or kneel

Priest

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Priest Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory

Priest

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 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.

Priest We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

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

Priest 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 ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION.

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 Anthem Prelude in F Minor, Opus 7, No.2

Marcel Dupré

Communion Hymn 302 Father, we thank thee

Rendez à Dieu

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 spiritually with 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 Life is short.

And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.

So be swift to love.

Make haste to be kind.

And may the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

Green Hymnal 756 Lead me, guide me, along the way

Doris M. Akers

Priest Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude Carillon, Opus 31, No. 2

Louis Vierne

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.

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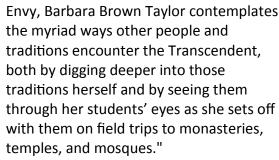
The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Reno Cordoni by Sue & Tom Masters

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.

Discussion Group Sundays, 9 am

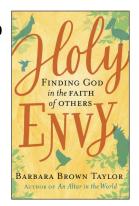
Our next study will be Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others by Barbara Brown Taylor.

From the book description: "In Holy



We are now meeting in-person in the Guild Room with masks. However, if you prefer to join us via Zoom, we will gladly bring you in with this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89077277480



Parents & Family Dinner Wednesday, July 28, 6 - 7:30 pm or Tuesday, August 3, 5:30 - 7 pm

Parents, kids, (and grandparents too!) are invited to join Rev. Laurel and Elizabeth Buche for conversation and dinner (childcare provided) on Wed, July 28 at 6 pm, or Tues, August 3 at 5:30 pm in the Guild Room to discuss desires, needs, and possibilities for Christian Education and Family Ministry at St. Dunstan's.

We want to hear from you. Please join us! RSVP to the parish office, so we are sure to have enough food.

Help us 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!

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



A Storied Pilgrimage with Race

"A Storied Pilgrimage with Race" explores the issues of race in our diocese through video interviews, education materials, action items, and reflection. Please join Rev. Laurel and others from our community as we engage in this year-long pilgrimage. The completion of this curriculum fulfills the requirement for anti-racism training in the Diocese of El Camino Real.

This series of 12 monthly sessions are offered the first Wednesday of each month from 6:30—8 pm. You may join us in person on via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85691775520?pwd=NHdPbDNheFpVclpvQU1nbjQvSDNsUT09

Meeting ID: 856 9177 5520 Passcode: 317147

For more information or to register, please contact the parish office.

Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests

For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel <u>via email</u> or on her cell <u>310-562-5746</u>. And you can always leave a message on the Pastoral Care line at church <u>831-624-6646</u> ext 5.

Our Daughters of the King chapter welcomes your prayer requests in this time when many are in crisis. Please email the DOK's Elizabeth Buche, who manages the Daughters' prayer list. The Daughters pray for members of our parish and for many other individuals daily.

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.

You can check available Sundays on our Master Calendar at stdcv.org/calendar. (hint: if you see ". . . " before "The Altar Flowers", that Sunday is available.)

St. Andre's Computer Lab Unlocks Opportunity

Access to digital information via the internet and computers is something we take for granted in our nation. But the youth in Haiti have very little access to computers or the internet. This is in a nation where 56% of the population is under 25.

One of the most successful results of our mission has been to establish a computer lab at St. Andres. We have a full time computer teacher, a designated lab and as of this date 40 laptops that are used to teach digital literacy. Digital literacy is a key skill set for access to college and employment for our graduates.



Our goal is to continue to support the students' access to digital literacy and increase the availability of computer equipment and internet access for all the students at St. Andres. We desperately need to resupply the lab with enough laptops to serve the 1,200+ student body before the new school year.

Your donation will help us help them access opportunities in a digital world.

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.

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

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

Rector's Sabbath

Rev. Laurel is observing her sabbath day on Fridays. Please respect this important time away except for pastoral emergencies. She will reply to any messages on Saturday.

In addition, Rev. Laurel will be away on vacation from July 19—26. Rev. Joe Patronik will celebrate and preach Sunday, July 25

Your spare time could help the hungry

Volunteer for Nancy's Project

Nancy's Project is looking for volunteers to load groceries, drive food to distribution sites and pick up clothes at resale shops. Can you help us get food and other necessities to our farm worker families? If you have a few hours a month and can lift 15 pounds we would love to have you join our terrific group of volunteers!

Contact Betty Kasson, 831-277-5279 for more information, and thanks!

Zoom Compline to Resume Mondays at 5 pm starting Aug 2

15 minutes to give thanks to God for the day that is past and placing our hope and faith in God for the night.

We are currently using he Order for Compline from the New Zealand Prayer book, which can be downloaded at stdcv.org/bulletins.

Join Zoom Compline

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85070384899 Meeting ID: 850 7038 4899

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Tom Dietrich
- 2 Bill Schueler
- 4 Susan Baxter
- 4 Ron Garcia
- 8 Roslyn Hamilton
- 8 Andy Lambert

- 16 Jim Hamilton
- 20 Steve Brooks
- 21 Zachary Davis
- 27 Elizabeth Buche
- 27 Lorelei Duddy
- 28 Zephyr Miller

- 29 Phil Clarkson
- 29 Katy Linforth
- 29 Elizabeth Stewart
- 30 Susan Schueler

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, July 11

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:00 am Discussion Group

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

11:00 am Coffee Hour

11:30 am Finance Committee Meeting

Monday, July 12

Tuesday, July 13

8:00 am Staff meeting

4:00 pm St. Dunstan's Foundation Mtg

7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, July 14

10:00 am Holy Eucharist

12:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, July 15

4:00 pm I-Help Men

Friday, July 16

Saturday, July 17

Sunday, July 18

8:00 am Holy Eucharist9:00 am Discussion Group

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

11:00 am Coffee Hour

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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