

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT April 7, 2019 10 am

# ST. DUNSTAN'S

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	Hymn prelude on Forest Green	Richard Purvis
	Hymn prelude on Rockingham	Healey Willan

Processional Hymn 474 When I survey the wondrous cross

Rockingham

- Priest Blessed be the God of our salvation:
- People Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.
- Priest Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

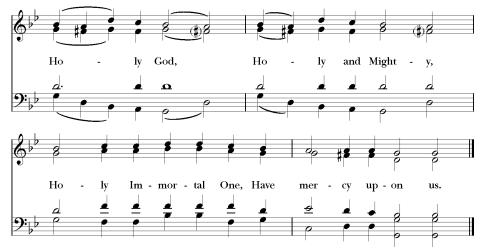
#### The people stand or kneel.

People God eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbors, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

Priest May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins that we may behold the glory of his Son and Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Remain standing or kneeling.

**Trisagion** Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One (S-102) *Alexander Archangelsky The people join in singing the Trisagion on the third time.* 



### The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### Isaiah 43:16-21

The same Lord who brought the people through the Red Sea waters and crushed the army of the Egyptians will do a new thing in this day when God will bring the people home through the wilderness. No longer need the Israelites only remember the things the Lord did for them in the past. It is the end of the exile; again God forms the chosen people. A safe way will be made in the wilderness, and rivers will flow in the desert.

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 126 In convertendo

A song of hope and joy sung to the Lord, who restores the fortunes of God's people.

Cantor Choir	1	When the Lord restored the • fortunes of • Zion, * then were we like • those who dream.
	2	Then was our mouth • filled with • laughter, * and our tongue with • shouts of joy.
	3	Then they said am•ong the • nations, * "The Lord has done great • thĭngs for them."
	4	The Lord has done • great things • for us, * and we are • glăd indeed.
People	5	Restore our • fortunes, • O Lord, * like the watercourses of the • Něgev.
	6	Those who • sŏwed • with tears * will reap with • sŏngs of joy.
	7	Those who go out weeping, • carry•ing the seed, * will come again with joy, shoulder•ĭng their sheaves.

#### Philippians 3:4b-14

The apostle Paul can boast of his religious background, yet nothing matters in comparison with knowing Christ as his Lord. If righteousness were to be based on a legalistic understanding of religion, Paul had any number of points in his favor. But all such privilege he now disregards so that he may belong to Christ through faith and share in his sufferings. Forgetting what lies behind, he presses on toward the call ahead.

> If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

**Gradual Hymn 382** King of glory, King of peace *Verse 3 is sung after the Gospel Reading.* 

General Seminary

#### John 12:1-8

Jesus, but a few days before his passion, is at supper with Lazarus, Martha, and Mary when Mary anoints his feet with costly ointment. She then wipes his feet with her hair. Jesus links her action to his final anointing at burial, but Judas, seeking personal gain, chastises them over the cost of the perfume and invokes the needs of the poor. This action fits the extreme nature of the moment, Jesus counsels. Love like Mary's will not overlook the poor.

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

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

#### Serenity prayer

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, The courage to change the things I can, And the wisdom to know the difference. Amen.

#### The Sermon

The Rev. Rob Fisher

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.

Standing or kneeling.

The Prayers of the Peoplefrom Brian McLaren's, We Make the Way by WalkingLeaderLet us give thanks to the living God for all the gifts that we enjoy,<br/>saying, "We thank you, living God."LeaderFor the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea:PeopleWe thank you, living God.LeaderFor the communities of St. Dunstan's and of St. Andre's in Haiti,<br/>and for all people whose lives reveal the image of Christ:

People We thank you, living God.

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Leader For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For challenges which call forth new strength, for failures which teach greater humility, and for encouragement to persevere when life is hard:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader We pray for those in special need today including [...]; let us pray to the Lord.

People We thank you, living God.

Leader We pray for those who have died, including [...]; let us pray to the Lord.

People We thank you, living God.

Leader We pray for the search for the 4<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Diocese of El Camino Real. We pray especially for the members of the Transition Team, Bishop Mary, and the person God is calling to be our next Bishop.

- People We thank you, living God.
- Leader For all who have gone before us, for all who walk beside us, and for all children, who are precious to us and to you:
- People We thank you, living God.
- Leader And for the great wisdom and hope that you reveal to us through Jesus, our leader, example, teacher, liberator, and friend:

People We thank you, living God.

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.

Prayer for a Birthday

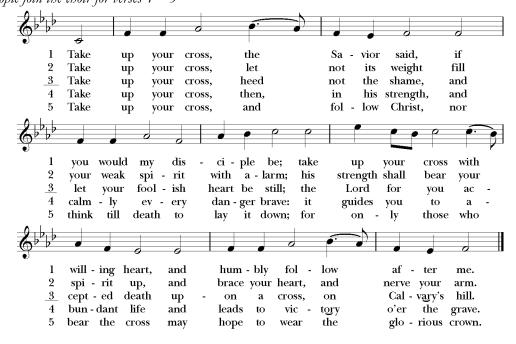
 $\bigcirc$  God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N*. as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Offertory

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

**Offertory Anthem & Hymn** Take up your cross, the Savior said (675) *The people join the choir for verses* 4—5

Bourbon



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharist Prayer I, Enriching Our Worship

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

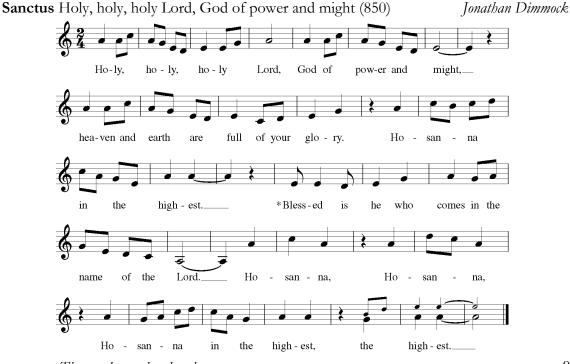
Priest Lift up your hearts.

### 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 You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



The people stand or kneel.

Priest Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

> But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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." As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

- People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- Priest Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Dunstan, Andre, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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 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.

The bread is received in the open palm. The wine, if desired, may be taken from the cup by drinking (guide the chalice gently to your lips by the base) or by dipping the bread.

Those who do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

During this time a prayer leader will be in the back of the church, by the font, to offer healing prayers.

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

#### Communion Anthem I sing the mighty power of God (398)

Forest Green

I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food; he formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye, if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky! There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known; and clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne; while all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care, and everywhere that I could be, thou, God, art present there.

### The Post-Communion Prayer

Priest Let us pray.

People Compassionate and loving God, through your Son Jesus Christ you have fed us, and reconciled your people to yourself. May we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world. Following Christ's example of fasting and prayer, may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love. Amen.

### The Blessing

Life is short. Priest 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, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

Processional Hymn 441 In the Cross of Christ I glory

Priest Let us go forth in the name of God. People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Hymn prelude on Rathbun

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 for peace to all God's children by Mara Perkins

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.

Flor Peeters

Rathbun

## **Great Vigil of Easter & Agape Celebration**

Join us for an Agape celebration following the Great Vigil of Easter, Sat, April 20. Please sign up on the Welcome Table if you plan to stay for the Agape Celebration.

And remember to bring bells or other jingly things (even car keys work) to ring out the joy of the Resurrection.

## Could you not watch with me one hour? The Watch in the Garden of Gethsemane

After the Last Supper, commemorated in the Maundy Thursday liturgy, Jesus took disciples with him to the Garden of Gethsemane where he asked them to watch and pray.

You are invited to sign up to watch and pray for an hour between 8 pm on Maundy Thursday and sunrise on Good Friday, 7 am.

Sign up today on the Welcome Table. You may do your watch here in the church building or at home.

## Fill the Church with Flowers For Easter

Flowers are given to the Glory of God and may be given anonymously or in the name of a person you would like to remember or celebrate.

**Sign up on the Welcome Table** and drop a check with "Easter Flowers" in the memo in the collection plate.

Recommended minimum donation \$20 Last day to make dedications is April 14.

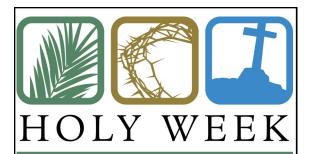
### Sign up today to receive St. Dunstan's weekly eNews

Getting weekly news, links to sermons, updates, and schedules is as simple as visiting <u>stdcv.org/subscribe</u> and entering your email address.

## 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 <u>stdcv.org/bulletins</u>





**Stations of the Cross booklets** will be available in the church Tues–Fri, 9 - 1, for personal reflection.

> Palm Sunday, April 14 8 & 10 am Holy Eucharist

Monday & Tuesday, April 15 & 16 5 pm Stations of the Cross & Compline

### Wednesday, April 17

**10 am** Healing Eucharist **5 pm** Stations of the Cross & Compline

### Maundy Thursday, April 18

**7 pm** Holy Eucharist with foot washing with & Stripping the Altar **8 pm** Watch at Gethsemane begins

### Good Friday, April 19

11:25 Organ preludes Noon Good Friday Liturgy

### Holy Saturday, April 20

**7 pm** The Great Vigil of Easter followed by Agape celebration

### Easter Day, Sunday, April 21

8 & 10 am Festival Choral Eucharist11:30 Easter Egg Hunt & Picnic

## Kite Flying, Delicious Food & Drink Easter Brunch Picnic

All parishioners, friends and the public are invited to a special Easter brunch picnic following the traditional egg hunt after the 10 am service on Easter!

A delicious spread and drinks will be provided, as well as kite making and crafts for the kids and blankets for the adults to relax on next to the new labyrinth in the grassy courtyard!

Just prior to the brunch, the kids are invited to meet next to the fountain for the egg hunt! Bring your basket if you can, but we'll have plenty of handle bags on hand for every child.

And if you'd like to come to the brunch, please sign up here so we'll be sure to have enough food: <u>https://2018st-d-</u> <u>easter-picnic.eventbrite.com</u>.

Questions? Ask Sarah Wood, Aga Simpson or Elizabeth Buche or want to help!

## **Recycle Old Plastic Easter Eggs!**

If you have old plastic eggs that you don't need or want, please bring them to the church office for refilling by our resident Easter bunnies!

The sooner you can drop them off the better, but we can take them right through Sunday April 14th (Palm Sunday). Donations of bags of filling or filled eggs are also welcome by that date.

Questions? Call Sarah 831-238-1217

## Rob Feller to read his Children's Stories & Poems

at River House Books Next Sunday, April 14 1—2:30 pm

Parishioner Rob Feller will be reading from his children's stories and poems at River House Books in the Crossroads.



All are invited. Refreshments will be served.

### 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!



### spirit, music, food, drink, community 0

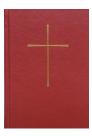
Now the Second Friday each month, 6 pm in Carlyle Hall

Friday, April 12



### Sunday Morning Class: The Catechism 9 am (Outer Office)

This week we focus our attention on Prayer and Worship, The Sacraments,



Holy Baptism, and The Holy Eucharist. Indeed, each of these subjects could be a separate course unto itself, but the Catechism (Book of Common Prayer, pg. 845) provides us with a good overview to better understand our faith.

### WSD Discussion of <u>Love Wins</u> a NYT Best Seller by Rob Bell Saturday, May 4; 10 am - noon

Another Amazing Book to discuss! Rob Bell's Love Wins, is a New York Times Best seller. The author says, "I've written this book because the kind of faith Jesus invites us into doesn't skirt the big questions about topics like God and Jesus and salvation and judgment and heaven and hell, but takes us deep into the heart of them." The book is available at your local bookseller, or can be easily ordered through Amazon.

These WSD book reviews bring us closer to each other as we share how some of the concepts have different meanings to each of us. There will be a break time, feel free to bring a snack to share. Come to enjoy the fellowship and new ideas!



## **"The Trinity"** John Ourensma Organist

Sunday, May 5 4 o'clock 3 o'clock reception with the artist



Admission \$20 Students and under 18 free of charge

> Music at St. Dunstan's stdcv.org/events

### In our prayers this week. . . .

Sam, Andrew, J.J., Richard, John, Cora, Ross, Victoria, Peter, Ida, David, Jack, Jan, Cecily, Jane, Brad, Kay, Jeanne, Dick, Libby, Daniela, Donna, Yolette, Sarah & Joe, James, Fran, Augie, Daniel, Gigi, Beth, John, Nancy, Phil, George, Deborah, Nate, Alan, Aliceon, Chuck, Josh, Anthony, Sandy

For the repose of the souls . . . . Marilyn Sanders, Ruth DuPratt, Jean Horan

### Parish Beautification Day Next Saturday, April 13 9 – noon

Our annual Parish Beautification Day will take place from 9 am - noon, Saturday, April 13, 2019; the day before Palm Sunday. The greater the numbers the greater the joy and fellowship! We are sure we can find a task for all volunteers.

We need help in gardening, church cleaning (including window washing), and kitchen cleaning. We'll have lunch together at noon including hamburgers and other donated dishes.

Signup sheets to work or to help provide food are available on the Welcome Table. Please join us!

## **Neighborhood Group Thanks**

Thank you to all who participated in the Lenten Neighborhood Groups and to those who hosted our gatherings: Anne and Greg Hatton, Cynthia and Joe Hertlein, Julie and John Tomlin, Cathy and Bill Solms, Nancy Green, and Melanie and Mike Cervi, who graciously provided their homes and refreshments each week. And our discussion leaders: Betty Kasson, Janel Hornbeck, Georgia Byrne, Hannah Priestley, Judy Kirk and Joan Franz. Thank you!

## This Week at St Dunstan's

#### PARISH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY—FRIDAY, 9 AM—1 PM

Sunday, April 78:00 amHoly Eucharist8:30 amChoir Rehearsal9:00 amSunday Morning Class10:00 amHoly EucharistChildren's Ministries	Thursday, April 11 4:00 pm Vestry Meeting
<ul><li>11:30 am Finance Committee Meeting Labyrinth Forum</li><li>7:00 pm AA</li></ul>	Friday, April 124:00 pmI-Help (meal provided by others)6:00 pmCommon Thread
Monday, April 8 <u>Tuesday, April 9</u> 5:00 pm St. Dunstan's Foundation Mtg	Saturday, April 13 9:00 am Parish Beautification Day
<ul> <li>7:30 pm AA</li> <li>Wednesday, April 10</li> <li>10:00 am Holy Eucharist with Healing</li> <li>11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry</li> <li>11:15 pm Holy Eucharist at the Manor</li> <li>1:00 pm Staff Meeting</li> <li>2:30 pm Choir Rehearsal</li> <li>4:00 pm Music at St. Dunstan's Cmte</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sunday, April 14 ~ Palm Sunday</li> <li>8:00 am Holy Eucharist</li> <li>8:30 am Choir Rehearsal</li> <li>10:00 am Holy Eucharist Children's Ministries</li> <li>7:00 pm AA</li> </ul>

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Shelby Lambert
- 2 Gene Davis
- 2 George Lockwood
- 2 Hampton Stewart
- 4 Karen Deaton
- 4 Don Kirk
- 6 Mac Moss
- 6 June Parris

- 7 Rachel Mueller
- 10 Richard Mueller
- 11 Mel Britton
- 12 Scott Brown
- 12 Natalie Stewart
- 14 Steve Austin
- 14 Susie Carr
- 14 Donna Rico

- 14 Drew Torrice
- 15 Daniela Estlin
- 15 Sarah Wood
- 17 Hannah Priestley
- 22 Steve Denmark
- 23 Todd Lueders
- 26 Lauren Proulx
- 28 Melanie Cervi



#### 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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Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Rob Fisher Officiant: The Rev. Marcia M. Lockwood

Altar Guild: TBD

Readers: Rob Feller, Art Pasquinelli Prayers of the People: Karen Deaton Chalice Bearers: Mystery Chastain & Lois Kettle

> Acolytes Crucifer: Libby Lambert Clergy Cross: Zoe Fisher

Ushers: Karen Deaton & Hal Snellgrose Greeter: Joan Franz Name Tags: Julie & John Tomlin Coffee Hour Host: Grace Merrill Welcome Table: Michelle Wilsdon

*Godly Play Greeter:* Shelby Lambert *Storyteller:* Tracy Haack

Music Organist & Director of Music Ministries: Steve Denmark

St. Dunstan's Choir Pam Austin, Stephanie Cervi, Phil Clarkson, Margo Fuselier, Betty Kasson, Jody Lee, Otto Neely, Art Pasquinelli, Elizabeth Pasquinelli, Sarah Pease, Louis Powell, Bob Priestley, and Arthur Wu

> Light & Love (Nursery) Jennifer Lama, Juliana Cardinale, Savana Martinez

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