



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 8, 2019

10 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 sur l'Offertoire: *Diffusa Est "Lumen ad Revelationem Gentium"* Paul Benoit, c.1963

Processional Hymn 512 Come, Gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove

Mendon

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

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

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 Father, I adore you, lay my life before you

Terry Coelho

Father, I adore you,
lay my life before you;
how I love you.

Jesus, I adore you,
lay my life before you;
how I love you.

Spirit, I adore you,
lay my life before you;
how I love you.

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.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

Moses presents the people with their choice: love and obey the Lord and find life, or turn away to other gods and know death. Israel is about to cross over into the promised land, and this is Moses' final charge to them. In historical terms the speech was probably composed many hundreds of years later, near the time of the exile, after Israel had experienced much backsliding from the Lord. But this is still their choice: blessing or curse, life or death, good or evil.

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, “See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 *Beatus vir qui non abiit*

Plainsong chant Tone V.1

The Lord makes fruitful the lives of those who choose the way of righteousness.



- 1 *Happy* are they who have not walked in the counsel of the • wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the • seats of the • scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the • LORD, *
and they meditate on his • law day • and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not • wither; *
everything they • do shall • prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the • wicked; *
they are like chaff which the • wind blows • away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when • judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council • of the • righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the • righteous, *
but the way of the • wicked • is doomed.

Philemon 1–21

The letter that Paul sent to Philemon asking that he receive back in love the runaway slave Onesimus, who was voluntarily returning to him. Other information indicates that Philemon and Onesimus came from the community of the Colossians. Paul himself is now in prison, perhaps in Rome. Onesimus means “the useful one,” and Paul describes him as a man who has now become very useful. Evidently he had recently been converted to Christ. Paul does not speak against the institution of slavery, but tells Philemon that his relationship with Onesimus is changed now that they are brothers in Christ.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me.

If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 675 Take up your cross and follow me
Verses 4& 5 are sung after the Gospel reading.

Bourbon

Luke 14:25–33

Jesus speaks of the necessity of counting the full cost of discipleship. To follow Jesus in the way of the cross means to surrender the whole of one's life. Any relationship which interferes with this primary commitment must be hated. Jesus tells the crowds two stories to make them consider carefully whether they are ready and able to follow him completely.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Rev. Marcia M. Lockwood

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 *The people stand or kneel.*

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Mary our Bishop; Lucinda, our Bishop-Elect; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Priest Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

People Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.*

Prayer for a Birthday

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant **N.** as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their 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 The Lord is my Shepherd

John Rutter (b. 1945)

The Lord is my shepherd;
therefore can I lack nothing.
He shall feed me in a green pasture,
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
He shall convert my soul and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness,
for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
For thou art with me:
Thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table for me
against them that trouble me:
Thou hast anointed my head with oil
and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving kindness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life.
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord,
forever.

Offertory Hymn 577 God is love, and where true love is

Ubi caritas (Murray)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest *All things come of thee, O Lord.*

People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Priest God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

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

Priest At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, And this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Priest From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Priest Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.**

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

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might (859)

Ronald Arnatt

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

The people stand or kneel.

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

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

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

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

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

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

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

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.

Green Hymnal 757 Will you come and follow me

Mary Alexander

The Post-Communion Prayer

Priest Let us pray.

People **E**ternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Priest Life is short.

Henri-Frédéric Amiel (1821-1881)

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 484 Praise the Lord through every nation

Wachet auf

Priest **G**o in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **T**hanks be to God.

Postlude Chorale prelude on *Wch et auf ruft uns die Stimme* (BWV 645)

J.S. Bach

*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 celebration of Sarah Pease's birthday by Holly Pease*

*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.*



No Kneelers, No Problem

For many, it is a special thing to kneel when receiving Holy Communion. And our beautiful needlepoint kneelers are showing the 40+ years of love our knees have given them. So while they are away at the Kneeler Spa getting spruced up, know that it is completely acceptable to stand and receive. If you want to kneel on the stone, that's up to you. But no one will judge; least of all God. Besides, you can still bend the knees of your heart.

* Notes on the music

The composer of today's Prelude, Dom Paul Benoit, was a Monastic who was the Organist of the Abbey Saint-Maurice, Clearvaux, Luxembourg. His lifelong dream of attending a music conservatory was never fulfilled.

September is Recycling Month

Yes, it is time once again to bring in those things that are difficult to get rid of, particularly:



- Batteries
- Fluorescent Tubes/Bulbs, and
- Printer Cartridges

There will be collection boxes in Brock Hall beginning this Sunday and through the month of September.

Thank you for doing your part to protect *"this fragile Earth, our island home"*.

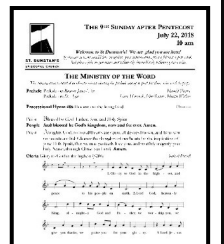
Help us know you by

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



Hear Ye!

Rob Feller is giving a reading of his favorite poems and short stories at River House Books, Rio Rd, in The Cross Roads. Sunday, Sept 15th, 2 — 3:30 pm.

Please join us for an afternoon of fun. Refreshments. Thanks!

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to office(at)stdcv.org by midnight Monday.

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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.

In our prayers this week. . . .

Andrew, J.J., Richard, Cora, Ross, Victoria, Ida, David, Jan, Cecily, Brad, Jeanne, Donna, Yolette, Sarah & Joe, Fran, Gigi, Nancy, George, Nate, Chuck, Josh, Bill, Lawrence, Jack, Joanie, Sarah, Ann, Lauren, Aaron, Michael, Clare, Mel, Bob, Roz, Maureen

For the repose of the souls

John Vera, Juan Mijares, George McWilliams

St. Dunstan's Foundation accepting 2019 Grant Proposals

Need funding for your ministry or project?

St. Dunstan's Foundation is now accepting applications for funding through our grant program.

The deadline to apply is September 30th.

Funding is available for church or community needs. Requests for support of community-based projects are limited to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations qualified for tax-exempt status according to the IRS.

Highest priority is given to projects that further the mission of St. Dunstan's Church, seeking to spread the love and grace that is Christ's gift to the world by serving those in need.

Applications available at the church office or by request via foundation@stdcv.org



common thread

spirit, music, food, drink, community

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

**Friday,
Sept 13**



Nancy's Project

Bagging Beans Next Week



Next Sunday is our final round of bag beans for our neighbors in the Salinas Valley who are served by Nancy's Project.

This is a fun and important way we can tangibly participate in meeting the very real and very basic needs of those who help put food on *our own tables* yet often do not have enough to eat themselves. (And yes, it really is fun!)

So plan to join us at 9 am and 11 am next Sunday, **September 15**.

Haiti Team Treasurer Needed

Our long-time treasurer is retiring. We need someone to help manage the resources of our ministry to St. Andre's School in Haiti. Duties include working with our parish administrator on incoming donations, sending funds to Haiti and reporting financial information to the Haiti Team.

What it takes: Knowledge of Haiti is not needed. Comfort with computer and spread sheets important. Will train.

Compensation: The knowledge you are helping feed and educate hundreds of the future leaders of Haiti.

Questions?

Contact George Lockwood, Kim Murray, Betty Kasson or Rich Hawkins.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Pinky McCammon	12	JJ Bohlman	19	Lois Kettel
3	Tim Condon	12	Sarah Pease	20	Broden Murray
3	Duncan Murray	14	Michael Carter	23	Ella Duddy
4	Georgia Byrne	14	Juju Lewis	25	Eva Kasdan
7	Marikay Morris	14	Marcia Lockwood	27	Margo Fuselier
8	Ross Quattlebaum	15	Dick Habermann	29	Jan Pina
10	Anthony Healey	18	Judy Hill		
12	Hudson Beiderwell	18	Wren Merrifield		

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S
PARISH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY—FRIDAY, 9 AM—1 PM

Sunday, September 8

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am Sunday School & Holy Eucharist
11:30 am Youth Group
3:00 pm Youth in Action Meeting
7:00 pm AA

Monday, September 9

Tuesday, September 10

10:00 am Staff Meeting
7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, September 11

10:00 am Holy Eucharist with Healing
11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
11:15 pm Holy Eucharist at the Manor
2:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 12

4:00 pm Confirmation Class

Friday, September 13

4:00 pm I-Help (meal provided by others)
6:00 pm Common Thread

Saturday, September 14

9:00 am Rector Search Committee Mtg
10:00 am Altar Guild Training
7:00 pm Full Moon Labyrinth Walk

Sunday, September 15

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Sunday Morning Class
Bagging Beans
10:00 am Sunday School & Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Bagging Beans
11:30 am Youth Group
Finance Committee Meeting
7:00 pm AA



Full Moon Labyrinth Walk

Saturday, September 14th, 7:00 pm

join us for a brief overview of the simplicity of walking the Labyrinth followed by an opportunity to walk the Labyrinth at your own pace under the full moon.

Youth and Family Programs at St. Dunstan's

There are many opportunities for kids and families at St. Dunstan's!

If you'd like to learn more about these programs or become a volunteer, let us know!

Nursery: (infant—early preschool)

Located inside the church hall our Light and Love program is a space where infants and younger children can participate in songs and stories and engage in creative activities while their parents experience the 10 am service. (Infants and children of any age are also welcomed to join their parents in the service if their families prefer it.)



Sunday School: (Preschool—5th Grade)

Using the Godly Play curriculum which is based on Montessori principles, Godly Play allows children to explore their own innate spirituality through engagement with stories from the bible. Following the story children are invited to explore their thoughts and ideas through expressive art. A light snack is offered. Following clean up the children rejoin their parents in church to participate in communion together. Sundays 10 am in Carlyle Hall.



Youth Group: (6th—12th Grade)

Using games, videos and discussion, participating youth develop their tools for critical thinking, faithful reflection and discovery. And they have fun! Sundays 11:30 am—12:30 pm in Carlyle Hall.

Acolytes: (Tweens and Teens)

Acolytes have the opportunity to play an important role in Sundays services and learn about church liturgy in the process.

Youth in Action: (Tweens and Teens)

This kid-driven youth service organization initiated and sponsored by St. Dunstan's is open to any local children who want to make their community a better place. The youth steering committee chooses their own monthly service projects, which have included activities addressing food insecurity with I-Help, Ag Against Hunger, Nancy's Project and Rise Against Hunger; the comfort of rescue animals with the SPCA; and literacy with Read to Me Project. About once per month; sites vary.

For more information, contact our Family Ministry Coordinator at [elizabeth\(at\)stdcv.org](mailto:elizabeth(at)stdcv.org)



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. Marcia M. Lockwood

Altar Guild

Pam Gallaway & Jan Langland

Readers: Beth Heston & Lois Kettel

Prayers of the People: John Greenway

Chalice Bearers: Kelsey Davis & Rodger Langland

Acolytes

Crucifer: Joe Heston

Ushers: Sue & Tom Masters

Greeter: Heather Davis

Name Tags: Georgia Byrne

Coffee Hour Host: Julie & John Tomlin

Welcome Table: Cathy & Bill Solms

Music

Organist & Director of Music Ministries: Steve Denmark

Choir Director: Arthur Wu

St. Dunstan's Choir

Pam Austin, Stephanie Cervi, Bobby Clampett, Marianna Clampett, Phil Clarkson,
Margo Fuselier, Betty Kasson, Otto Neely, Art Pasquinelli, Elizabeth Pasquinelli,
Sarah Pease, Louis Powell, Bob Priestley, and Arthur Wu

Sunday School

Barbara Greenway & Elizabeth Buche

Nursery

Jennifer Lama & Juliana Cardinale

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