



# THE 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 4, 2021

8 am

**ST. DUNSTAN'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Welcome BACK to St Dunstan's! We are glad you are here!  
Please silence your phones and wear your mask while indoors.*

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## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*All stand.*

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.

People Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

O Almighty God, whose wisdom and whose love are over all, accept the prayers we offer for our nation. Give integrity to its citizens and wisdom to those in authority, that harmony and justice may be secured in obedience to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Ezekiel 2:1-5**

*Ezekiel receives his prophetic commission: he is to speak the words of the Lord fearlessly to the rebellious people of Israel. Throughout this book God addresses Ezekiel as son of man, meaning human being. But while only a mortal, the Lord's Spirit is with him so that the people will know that a prophet is in their midst. He will pronounce stern judgment on a nation that has sinned and is being sent into exile.*

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 123 *Ad te levavi oculos meos***

*Those who are lowly and scorned place their trust in the merciful Lord.*

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, \*  
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, \*  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, \*  
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, \*  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \*  
and of the derision of the proud.

## 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

*Paul tells of both exaltation and infirmity, and the discovery of a strength that comes through weakness. The Corinthians wanted to boast of their revelations and visions. Well, Paul knows a man (he means himself) who once had an ecstatic experience. God has, however, revealed something still more important to him: that the divine power comes to its full strength when acting through human frailty.*

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## **Mark 6:1-13**

*Jesus returns to his hometown and finds suspicion and lack of faith. He can do no mighty works in such a climate. The passage reminds us that God's action is often clothed in the commonplace. Though rejected, Jesus perseveres and expands his ministry, commissioning his disciples by twos and sending them out to the surrounding villages to preach and to heal. They are to travel in radical dependence upon God, making little provision for their own maintenance or well-being.*

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

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

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

*After the sermon a brief silence is kept.*

The Rev. Laurel Coote

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.*

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

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

**People** **M**ost 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 **A**lmighty 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.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.  
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer B*

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 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:

People **H**oly, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

*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."

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** **O**ur 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 **A**lleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

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.

## **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  
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 **M**ay the peace of our Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you.  
May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.  
May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.  
May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.  
And the blessing of the One God—Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer;

be upon you and those you love, today and always. **Amen.**

Priest *A*lleluia! Alleluia!

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

**People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*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  
and in loving memory of Norman Nelson by Corinne Nelson & family,  
and to remember a beloved follower, Don Carr*

*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.*

## **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.

## *Your spare time could feed families*

### **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!



## Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests

For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel [via email](mailto:via_email) or on her cell [310-562-5746](tel:310-562-5746). And you can always leave a message on the Pastoral Care line at church [831-624-6646](tel:831-624-6646) ext 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](mailto:Elizabeth.Buche), who manages the Daughters' prayer list. The Daughters pray for members of our parish and for many other individuals daily.

## Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to [office@stdcv.org](mailto:office@stdcv.org) by midnight Sunday.

## Tuesday Zoom Compline, 8 pm

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 the Order for Compline from the New Zealand Prayer book, which can be downloaded at [stdcv.org/bulletins](http://stdcv.org/bulletins).

## Join Zoom Compline

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85070384899>  
Meeting ID: [850 7038 4899](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85070384899)

*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!

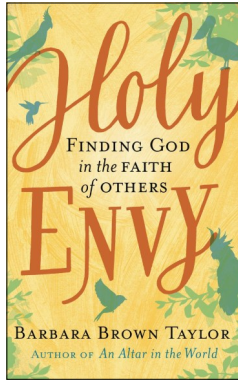
## Weekly Bulletins available electronically

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](http://stdcv.org/bulletins)



## 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 Envy*, Barbara Brown Taylor contemplates the myriad ways other people and traditions encounter the Transcendent, both by digging deeper into those traditions herself and by seeing them through her students' eyes as she sets off with them on field trips to monasteries, temples, and mosques."

**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>

## Rector's Sabbath, Office Hours

Rev. Laurel is observing her sabbath on Fridays. Please respect her time away unless it is an emergency. Emails will be returned the next day.

She is available in the office for drop-in visits Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9 — 11 am.

## A Storied Pilgrimage with Race begins next week: July 6 & 7

"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 will begin in July with options for participating in person on the first Wednesday of each month 6:30-8 pm, or virtually on the first Tuesday of each month 10 — 11:30 am.

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

## *Rural Students Today at St. Andre's* **Well Fed & Learning Eagerly**

In rural Haiti many children don't get to go school at all and when they do, school only goes through the 6th grade. When Pere Noe identified these bright children, he had no way to allow them to continue their education. Several years ago our Haiti team started a program for these motivated young students. They come to St. Andre's to attend school during the week starting in the 7th grade and staying with local host families selected by Pere Noe and then go home for the weekends. So far there are 24 students, 12 girls & 12 boys in this successful program and we hope to include more in the future. Your donation provides food for the boarding students along with the families housing them as an incentive for their care and understanding during the week.



It is exciting to realize that this simple program can change the lives of these students and their families forever. Education is the best route out of poverty in Haiti, and a St. Andre's education will give them a chance for a better life.

Do Give to St. Andre's.

## **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. Contact the church office to make arrangements.

*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](http://stdcv.org/subscribe) and entering your email address.

# THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

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## Sunday, July 4 ~ Independence Day

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 9:00 am Discussion Group
- 10:00 am Out-Door Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Parish Picnic &  
Blessing of the Kitchen

## Monday, July 5

## Tuesday, July 6

- 8:00 am Staff meeting
- 10:00 am Pilgrimage with Race (Zoom)
- 7:30 pm AA
- 8:00 pm Zoom Compline

## Wednesday, July 7

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 12:30 pm Daughters of the King
- 6:30 pm Pilgrimage with Race

## Thursday, July 8

## Friday, July 9

- 4:00 pm I-Help Men

## Saturday, July 10

## Sunday, July 11

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Discussion Group
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:30 am Finance Committee

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View the entire parish calendar [stdcv.org/calendar](http://stdcv.org/calendar)

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

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|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Tom Dietrich    | 16 Jim Hamilton    | 29 Phil Clarkson     |
| 2 Bill Schueler   | 20 Steve Brooks    | 29 Katy Linforth     |
| 4 Susan Baxter    | 21 Zachary Davis   | 29 Elizabeth Stewart |
| 4 Ron Garcia      | 27 Elizabeth Buche | 30 Susan Schueler    |
| 8 Roslyn Hamilton | 27 Lorelei Duddy   |                      |
| 8 Andy Lambert    | 28 Zephyr Miller   |                      |



## **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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