



THE 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 10, 2022

10 am

ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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 Intermezzo in A Major

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 372 Praise to the Living God

Leoni

Priest Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Priest Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise S236 Benedictus es, Domine (Canticle 13)

John Rutter (b. 1945)

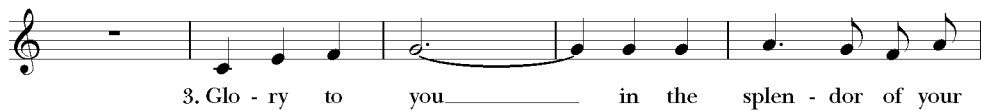
1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you



for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will



praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.




3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your



tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to



you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -



ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and



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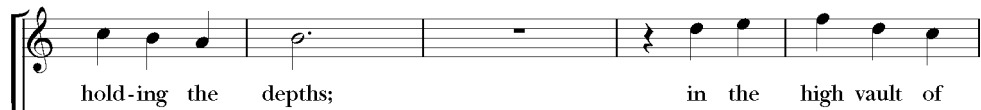
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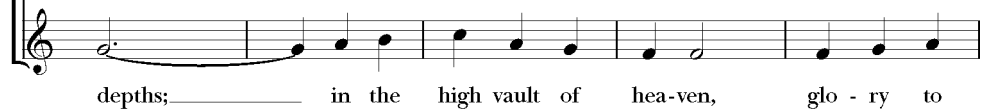
5. Glo - ry to you, be -



5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the



hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of



depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, _____
 you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,
 — Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and
 high-ly ex - alt you Glo-ry to you! _____
 high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

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

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

God of bandit places, love that demands our all:

Reveal to us our wounds and give us grace to know our neighbor, tending us with foreign hands; through Jesus Christ, who crossed over for us. **Amen.**

Amos 7:7–17

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 center 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 sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

"Now therefore hear the word of the Lord.

You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'

Therefore thus says the Lord:

'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

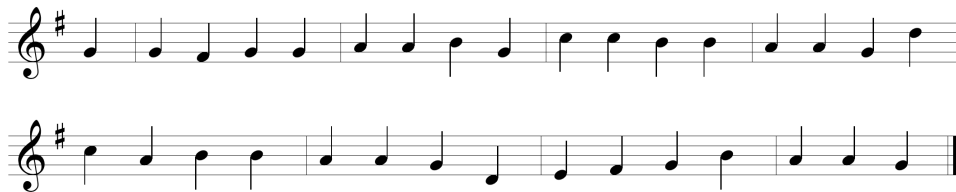
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 82 *Deus stetit* (Metrical Paraphrase)

Tallis' Canon

God pronounces judgment on the heavenly beings who have failed to defend the weak and the poor.

The people call on the one true God to judge and rule the earth.



All 1 **G**od stands in heaven's council hall
Among the gods and judges right;
"How long will you be so unjust
And help the wicked by your might?"

Men 2 "Now save the orphan and the weak,
Defend the humble, those in need,
Rescue the poor, those without strength,
And save them from the wicked's greed.

Women 3 "They do not know nor understand;
Though blind, they shake the whole wide earth;
So now I say, "Though you are gods
Whom the Most High has brought to birth,

All 4 "Yet like all mortals you shall die,
As any prince be overthrown.""
Arise, O God, and rule the earth
And take all nations for your own.

Colossians 1:1–14

Paul greets the Christians at Colossae, offers thanks for their faith, and prays for their further strengthening. Paul had apparently not visited this city in the country today known as Turkey, but he praises his fellow servant Epaphras, who brought the gospel to the new converts. The apostle asks that they may be filled with spiritual understanding and be fruitful in good works. So will they give thanks to the God who has rescued them from the power of darkness and evil and brought them into the kingdom of the Son of God.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 659 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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Luke 10:25–37

A lawyer's question and the parable of the Good Samaritan. While testing Jesus, this expert in the law asks a question at the heart of human longing: how can life's true meaning and purpose be realized? Jesus causes him to answer for himself with the summary of the law. Recognizing how hard it is to put such lofty commandments into practice, the lawyer next asks, who is the neighbor that I am to love? Jesus hears his real question (who is not my neighbor?) and tells him the story of a man who could help another without requiring the law's definition.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus.

“Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?”

He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, “Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.” Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

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.

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

Enriching Our Worship; Form V

The people stand or kneel

Leader Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved, and the oppressed.

People Hear us, O Christ.

Leader Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

People Hear us, O Christ.

Leader Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit, and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

People Hear us, O Christ.

Leader Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

People Hear us, O Christ.

Leader Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

People Hear us, O Christ.

Leader Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

People Hear us, O Christ.

Leader Hear us as we remember those who have died, and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

People Hear us, O Christ.

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.**

Priest Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

People God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Absolution

Priest **A**lmighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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.*

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

O 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 **L**et us give to God with generosity and gladness the offerings of our lives, our labors and our love.

Offertory Anthem I Give You a New Commandment

Peter Aston (1938-2013)

I give you a new commandment: love one another;
as I have loved you, so you are to love one another.
If there is this love among you,
then all will know that you are my disciples.

John 13:34-35

Offertory Hymn 603 When Christ Was Lifted from the Earth

St. Botolph

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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:

Sanctus S125 Holy, holy, holy Lord from *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Priest **W**e 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 **W**e remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory

Priest **A**nd 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.

Fraction Anthem S170 Whoever Eats This Bread

The Cantor sings the antiphon, repeated by the people

Mode 1 melody;

adapt. Mason Martens (1933–1991)

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for ev - er.

Cantor
 1. This is the true bread which comes down from hea - ven

Cantor
 and gives life to the world. [Ant.] 2. Who - ev - er

believes in me shall not hun - ger or thirst, for the bread

which I give for the life of the world is my flesh. [Ant.]

Priest **T**his is the table of the Lord.
It is made ready for those who love him, And for those who want to love him more.
So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
You who have been here often and you who have not been here long,
You who have tried to follow and you who have failed.
Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.
It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive communion. The table we set is the Lord's. Wherever you find yourself on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive the Holy Communion.

The bread is received in the open palm.

If you choose to receive the cup, gently guide the chalice to your lips by touching the base.

At this time, we are not able to allow dipping the wafer into the chalice.

Those who prefer to receive a blessing, or who choose not to receive the cup,
may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest.

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

Communion Hymn 609 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

Gardiner

Communion Hymn 602 Jesu, Jesu

Chereponi

The Post-Communion Prayer

Priest Let us pray.

People **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Priest **T**he peace of the ocean wave be with you
 The peace of the ocean breeze surround you
 The peace of the quiet earth be in you
 The peace of the night stars cover you
 The deep peace of the son of Peace be always with you

Recessional Hymn 344 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Sicilian Mariners

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

Postlude Postlude in F

Isadore Freed (1900-1960)

*The people are invited to listen and observe silence during the postlude.
All are welcome to enjoy fellowship with one another outside the church during coffee hour.*

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
& in memory of 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.*

Help us get to know you by

Filling out a Pew Card

If you are visiting us, are new to Saint Dunstan's, or if your contact information has changed, please fill out a Pew Card and drop it in the collection plate. Thanks!

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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.

Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests



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

Our Daughters of the King chapter welcomes your prayer requests. Prayer requests may be sent to dok@stdcv.org. The Daughters pray for members of our parish as well as many others daily.

Summer Choir

We invite members and friends to join the St. Dunstan's Choir for a single Sunday or for more than one. The choir gathers at 8:30 a.m. in Guild Hall for warmup and rehearsal, then moves into the church around 9 a.m. to continue to prepare for the 10 a.m. liturgy. The choir will not vest or process during the summer and will normally sing an anthem at the Offertory, coming up to the organ area after the Peace, returning to the nave during the Offertory Hymn. We will sing music by Palestrina, Mozart, Handel, and Rutter as well as occasional spirituals. The choir will also continue to lead the hymn and canticle singing. Reading music is not required. We only ask that you be able and willing to listen to your fellow singers and do your best to blend your voice. If you'd like more information, please speak to Rod after the Sunday services, or email him at music@stdcv.org, or phone him at 650.619.0698. **Join us!**

Women of St. Dunstan's announce The Christmas Bazaar is Back!

Yes, the Women of Saint Dunstans are moving forward after a 2½-year hiatus.

Dates:

- **December 3 & 4**, Saturday and Sunday! The traditional weekend
- Set up on Friday, **December 2**
- First planning meeting after church **Sunday, September 11**

So if you make jams or other things like crafts you have this summer to work on them.

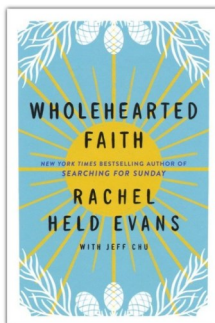
Info? Call Liz at the office Wednesday mornings or email bukavugirl@aol.com.

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

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

Discussion Group Sundays, 9 am

This week we resume our discussion of Wholehearted Faith by Rachel Held Evans.



We meet in the Guild Room. If you would like to join us via Zoom, or for more info, please contact Janel Hornbeck.

Composting and Recycling

There is a new compost tub in the kitchen that can be used to collect compostable items that can then be taken to our composter outside.



For more information about that “whats?” and “hows?” of recycling and composting, look for the posted fliers in the kitchen. Thank you for helping us comply with these new requirements.



Helping Ukraine

One way you can help the people of Ukraine is through our own Episcopal Relief & Development office. The ERD does good work all around the world, all the time. And you can rest assured that the money will be used as intended. Give today at episcopalrelief.org

Dedicate Altar Flowers

This is a lovely and meaningful way to give Glory to God in celebration of a birthday, or in thanksgiving, or in memory of a loved one. The cost of the flowers is \$20, but some give more. Checks should be made out to St. Dunstan's with “Altar Flowers” in the memo.

Sign up on the Welcome Table

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



COVID-19 Rapid Tests Available Today

We will have COVID-19 Rapid Tests available this morning for anyone who needs them. To get yours, visit the Welcome Table after both the 8 am and 10 am Holy Eucharists.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

1 Tom Dietrich	14 Mae Welty	27 Lorelei Duddy
2 Bill Schueler	16 Jim Hamilton	28 Zephyr Miller
4 Ron Garcia	21 Zachary Davis	29 Katy Linforth
8 Roslyn Hamilton	23 Hana Ferguson	29 Elizabeth Stewart
8 Andy Lambert	27 Elizabeth Buche	30 Susan Schueler

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THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, July 10

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Discussion Group
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, July 11

- 5:30 pm Zoom Compline

Tuesday, July 12

- 11:00 am Beverly Dekker-Davidson Memorial
- 3:00 pm Staff Meeting
- 4:00 pm St. Dunstan's Foundation Meeting
- 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, July 13

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, July 14

Friday, July 15

Saturday, July 16

- 9:00 am Stewardship Leadership Retreat
- 4:00 pm I-Help Women

Sunday, July 17

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 - 8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
 - 9:00 am Discussion Group
 - 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
 - 11:00 am Coffee Hour
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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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