



CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

October 2, 2022

8 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

Priest **B**lessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **A**nd 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.**

People **G**lory 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.

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may, for love of you, delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Job 39:1–18

“**D**o you know when the mountain goats give birth? Do you observe the calving of the deer? Can you number the months that they fulfil, and do you know the time when they give birth, when they crouch to give birth to their offspring, and are delivered of their young? Their young ones become strong, they grow up in the open; they go forth, and do not return to them.

“Who has let the wild ass go free? Who has loosed the bonds of the swift ass, to which I have given the steppe for its home, the salt land for its dwelling-place? It scorns the tumult of the city; it does not hear the shouts of the driver. It ranges the mountains as its pasture, and it searches after every green thing.

“Is the wild ox willing to serve you? Will it spend the night at your crib? Can you tie it in the furrow with ropes, or will it harrow the valleys after you? Will you depend on it because its strength is great, and will you hand over your labor to it? Do you have faith in it that it will return, and bring your grain to your threshing-floor?”

“The ostrich’s wings flap wildly, though its pinions lack plumage. For it leaves its eggs to the earth, and lets them be warmed on the ground, forgetting that a foot may crush them, and that a wild animal may trample them. It deals cruelly with its young, as if they were not its own; though its labor should be in vain, yet it has no fear; because God has made it forget wisdom, and given it no share in understanding. When it spreads its plumes aloft, it laughs at the horse and its rider.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121 Levavi oculos

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus bids all to come and find that the yoke of his teaching is easy to bear. The disclosure of the divine will comes as God's gracious gift, not through human knowledge. Especially intimate is the relationship between the Lord of all life and Jesus—that of Father and Son. Although he is the Son, Jesus is humble of heart and gentle.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Laurel Coote

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

Prayer of St. Francis

People Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

**Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.**

**Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.**

**For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People *The people stand or kneel. The pets sit. Stay.*

Leader Let us thank God for this world and for all of God's Creation.

People **Most High, omnipotent, good Lord
To You be ceaseless praise outpoured,
And blessing without measure.
Let every creature give thanks to You
Serving well and faithfully and true.**

Leader For the stars of the heavens, the sun and the moon,

People **We give You thanks, good Lord!**

Leader For rain that brings life, and clouds on high, for the crash of the ocean,
and the wind's long sigh,

People **We give You thanks, good Lord!**

Leader For corn and grain and the harvest of fields, for fruits and vegetables
and all the earth's bounty,

People **We give You thanks, good Lord!**

Leader Bless, O Lord, the animals we love!

Dog Lovers **Bless the dogs we bring before You,
who love to run fast and jump high,
who chase after balls and come when we call!
Bless cockers and poodles and shepherds and schnauzers,
dachshunds and setters and bulldogs and bowsers.
Bless those of every kind and pedigree,
and bless all mutts with unknown family tree.
Keep them safe and healthy, happy and sound,
these dogs of ours to whom we're bound!**

Leader For all our dogs, we give You thanks, good Lord!

Cat Lovers **Bless all our cats, wise creatures of worth,
who purr in our homes and prowl on the earth.
Bless these our kitties so soft in their stirring,
who snuggle our legs and serenade us with purring.
Bless barn cats and Tom cats and blue Himalayans;
Bless Maltese and Siamese and common house kitties.
Keep them safe from all danger wherever they roam,
and with Your sure guidance, bring them back home!**

Leader For all our cats, we give You thanks, good Lord!

Pet Lovers **Bless our fish in their swimming, our birds on the perch,
our hamsters and rats and guinea pigs small,
our ferrets and rabbits, dear Lord bless them all!
Bless donkeys so humble and horses so high,
Bless our sheep and our goats and pigs in the sty,
slithering snakes, chameleons and lizards,
mice in their cages and ducks with gizzards;
Bless them all, O God!**

Leader For all our animals, we give You thanks, good Lord!
Bless those dogs which lead the blind and help the police,
for pups that rescue from harm and ride with our fireman.
Bless those animals who visit the sick and live with solitary.
Bless those animals whom we love but see no more, remembering
before You all our pets who have died.
Bless those creatures who have gone extinct, and give us a reverence for
Your creation that we might be mindful of all species given into our
care.

People **Bless all Your creatures Lord, that we may love them and show
them Your grace and goodness after the example of St. Francis,
and through Christ who first loved us. Amen!**

The Blessing of the Animals

The pets bring their humans forward two-by-two for a blessing.

Concluding collect

Priest **A**lmighty and everlasting God, Creator of all things and giver of all life,
let your blessing be upon these animals. May our relationship with them
mirror your love, and our care for them be an example of your bountiful mercy.
Grant these animals health and peace. Strengthen us to love and care for them
as we strive to imitate the love of Jesus Christ and God's servant Francis. **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

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship; Eucharistic Prayer 3

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 All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

**People Holy, 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.**

Priest **G**lory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

People **D**ying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Priest **S**end your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Dunstan, Andre, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

People **Blessed are you 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. A period of silence is kept.

Priest **We** share this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

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

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.

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 **G**o, confident in the knowledge of God's steadfast love for you, assured of the healing touch of Jesus upon you and emboldened by the transforming power of the Holy Spirit within you, and the blessing of God, Creator, Sustainer and Redeemer, be upon you this day and always. **Amen.**

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome to enjoy fellowship with one another outside the church during coffee hour.

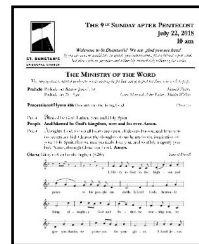
The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God



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.

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





Nancy's Project

Stuffing Halloween Treat Bags

October 9, 11 am

Many hands make light work! Sunday, October 9th following the 10am service we will be filling gift bags with Halloween treats for the children in the Salinas Valley. Bring your coffee and join us!

The Women of St. Dunstan's

are Cordially Invited to a

Ladies Social

Saturday, October 8, 2022

from 2 - 4PM

9 Los Robles / 9 Ring Lane
Carmel Valley

We will enjoy friendships and getting to know each other better.

Meet at 1:45PM if you want to carpool from St. Dunstan's Church.

RSVP

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Have your picture taken for

Our Photo Directory



Do you have a picture in our photo directory? Does the picture in our photo directory still look like you? No? Well, you are in luck!

For the next several weeks, Marcia Lockwood will be in the breezeway after worship taking picture for anyone who needs or simply wants a new one.

Stop by and see her. It is a wonderful way to help people at St. Dunstan's know who you are!

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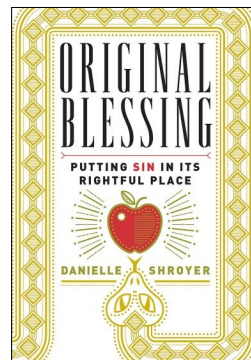
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Discussion Group

Sundays, 9 am

Danielle Shroyer's profound and compelling Original Blessing is a life-giving paradigm shift that draws us out of fear, shame, and guilt and deeper into joy, love, and grace." -- Richard Beck



This week, the Discussion Group start Original Blessing, by Danielle Shroyer. Even if you have not read it you are welcome join us for this conversation!

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

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.



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

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Jessica Pavloff | 11 Brishen Gregorio | 24 Marian Mizelle |
| 2 Abby Brown | 16 Ollie White | 25 Victoria Franklin |
| 3 Barbara Simmons | 19 Elizabeth Pasquinelli | 27 Donna Roth |
| 3 Jessica Bohlman | 19 Chuck Vout | 29 Daniel Garcia |
| 8 Gloria Rodda | 22 Joshua Pavloff | |
| 10 Therese Owen | 23 Eleanor Avila | |

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, October 2

~Celebration of the Feast of St. Francis~

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Discussion Group
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist outside with
the Blessing of the Animals
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, October 3

- 5:30 pm Zoom Compline

Tuesday, October 4

- 3:00 pm Staff Meeting
- 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, October 5

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 1:30 pm Daughters of the King

Thursday, October 6

- 12:00 pm Quilters
- 4:00 pm I-Help Men

Friday, October 7

Saturday, October 8

- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 2:00 pm WSD Social

Sunday, October 9

- 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
Stuffing Halloween bags

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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