



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 9, 2024
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. Thank you for silencing your cell phones.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

All **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.

Difficult God, whom the world judges mad or worse: reveal our life's distortions posing as normality; enlarge our sense of family beyond those close to us; and cast down Satan's kingdom of cruelty and exclusion; through Jesus Christ, the one who is accused. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

1 Samuel 8:4–11 (12–15), 16–20 (11:14–15)

The elders of Israel insist that the aging prophet Samuel anoint for them a king such as governed the surrounding nations. The biblical account refers to the military threat of the Philistines as the primary motivation for this request, but other pressures were likely at work as the tribal structure of Israelite society underwent change. God tells Samuel to consent to the request of the elders, but to make clear the cost involved in submission to the arbitrary power of a human monarch.

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; [and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.] He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

[Samuel said to the people, “Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship.” So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the LORD, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.]

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138

A hymn of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord on high who has saved God’s servant and cares for the lowly.

1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my
enemies; your right hand shall save me.

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1

Paul speaks of the eternal and glorious hope that belongs to Jesus' disciples even in the midst of trouble and mortality. The apostle has just told of the difficulties that beset his ministry. These, however, have not prevented his preaching of the gospel. Now he quotes scripture to express his conviction that the belief of Christians can and must be proclaimed in all circumstances. Although our physical being is gradually decaying, we are inwardly being renewed in accordance with what is unseen and eternal.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

Mark 3:20–35

Jesus is accused of being possessed by the prince of demons. He responds by describing his battle against Satan and indicating that true relationship with him is based in the doing of God's will. The passage suggests a certain separation between Jesus and his own relatives due to the intensity of his ministry. To those who charge him with doing good by the power of evil, Jesus answers with figures of speech—one implies that Jesus himself is the man who must first bind Satan before destroying his power. A warning is given not to blaspheme against the Holy Spirit—by which perhaps is meant calling good evil.

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

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

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

All are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Laurel Coote

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Nicene Creed

All Stand.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the
Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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

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 community 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*,
let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader In the communion of the Holy Spirit, 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, Giver of Light and Life, hear the heartfelt prayers of your
people. May they be acceptable to you, in accordance with your will, and by
the power of the Holy Spirit, may you bring forth the healing, forgiveness
and peace for which we pray. All this we ask in the name of your son, Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 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 Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people exchange the peace with one another.

Announcements *All are seated.*

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

During the setting of the table a collection is taken to support the life and ministry at St. Dunstan's. The people's offerings of bread, wine and money or other gifts will be brought to the priest. The people stand while the offerings are presented. Offerings may also be made online at www.stdcv.org

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

The people stand at the procession of the offering and remain standing.

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 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.**

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.

All 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 forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**People Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.**

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who come in faith seeking a deeper knowledge and love of Jesus Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Come forward to receive the bread in your 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, 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. You may have communion brought to your seat by notifying an usher.



Prayers for yourself or another are available during Communion by a member of the Daughters of the King in the back of the church near the Sacristy door.

The Prayer After Communion

Priest Let us pray.

People God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

All stand.

St. Dunstan's Mission

All Come walk with us in faith and friendship.
Share our desire to explore our relationship with God
and support one another.
Join us to make a difference in our world and serve
those who need compassion and help.
Be yourself among us.

The Blessing

Priest May 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.**

Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

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

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The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God



come. explore. serve. be.

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Share our desire to **explore** our relationship with God
and support one another.

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HAITI SPRING FUNDRAISER

June at St Dunstan's is Haiti month!

In the city of Hinche, Haiti there has been no city power for three years. Thanks to your generosity, St. Andre's school has solar panels on the roof that provide enough power for the computer lab, classrooms and lights. At night people come and sit outside under the lights to read and do homework. You have caused a light to shine in Haiti!



On June 2nd we kicked off our summer fundraiser for St. Andre's school. Our goal is to raise \$65,000. This will provide food for the 1400 students, housing for rural students, supplies for the school nurses and teachers and salaries for the 10 cooks and the computer teacher for the next 6 months.



Help us get to know you by **Filling out a Pew Card**

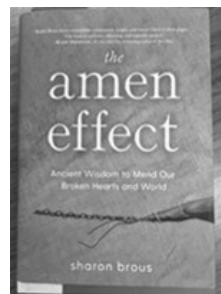
If you are visiting us, are new to St. Dunstan's, or if your contact information has changed, please fill out a Pew Card and drop it in the collection plate. Thanks!

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to stdunstanschurch@gmail.com by midnight Monday.

Adult Faith Exploration at St. Dunstan's

Continuing this week with the study of the book "the amen effect" by Sharon Brous.



Meeting times will be

Sundays at 9:00am

Tuesdays at 6:00pm

Wednesdays at 11:00am

Books can be ordered on Amazon. Or from your local bookstore.

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP FORUM COME and EXPLORE TOGETHER!

The Stewardship Committee invites you to join us after the 10:00 a.m. service **TODAY!** We will begin visioning together what God is calling us to do in our parish and the greater community. From there we will determine what resources might be needed to answer God's call to ministry and mission. We welcome everyone's input and hope you will plan to attend.



Wonder what's going on at St. Dunstan's?

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 and entering your email address.

Episcopal 101-Everything you wanted to know about the Episcopal Church, and more!

Classes begin June 25th, 6-8pm.
To participate, please sign up on the Welcome Table or call the church office, 831-624-6646.

For those seeking to be baptized, confirmed, received into the Episcopal Church, or if you desire to re-affirm your faith, this will prepare you for Bishop Lucinda's visit in August.

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.



SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, June 30th
10am Outdoor Service
Picnic following the service
Hot dogs, Hamburgers, Veggie Burgers,
Drinks and Popsicles by the church.

Sign up on the Welcome Table to bring something to share!

**The Pilgrim's Way to Canterbury
and Beyond! —
a 2025 Adult Pilgrimage.**

If you have an interest in learning more, please sign up to attend the Q&A Session on Sunday, July 7 at 11:30 in Brock Hall. Sign up sheet is on the breezeway table, or call the office.

St. Dunstan's Vestry

Susan Pitts, Senior Warden
Jr. Warden—Jackie Wendland
Duncan Clarke
Jack Enbom
Sheila Hiebert
Tracy Jones
Carol Langland
George Lockwood



**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 \$30, 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.

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Children's schedule for Summer

June 30—Outdoor Service and Parish Picnic—10am

July 28—4th Sunday Service. Children help with the service.

August 4—Blessing of the Backpacks and Bishop's visit.

Activity clipboards and children's books can be found in a basket at the back of the church.

Sunday School will resume in September. Happy Summer!



THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN TUESDAY - THURSDAY 9AM - 1PM

Sunday, June 9

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Book Study Group, Ch. 2
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour
- 11:30 am Stewardship Forum

Monday, June 10

Office Closed

Tuesday, June 11

- 6:00 pm Book Study Group, Ch. 2
- 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, June 12

- 10:00 am Conversation and Communion
Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 11:00 am Book Study Group, Ch. 2
- 5:00 pm Zoom Compline

Thursday, June 13

- 3:00 pm Finance Meeting

Friday, June 14

Saturday, June 15

- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 am Mid Valley HOA Meeting (School building)

Sunday, June 16

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Book Study Group, Ch. 3
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June 1 Joan Carter

June 6 Forrest Borlik

June 9 Mystery Chastain

June 11 Mary Britton

June 11 Madison Snellgrose

June 14 Elliot Cabral

June 15 Rebecca Miller

June 17 Celeste Falor

June 17 Rich Hawkins

June 21 Rodger Langland

June 24 Ross Merrifield

Sermon Notes