



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 14, 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.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen.**

All are seated.

2 Samuel 6:1–5, 12b–19

King David sets out to bring the ark of the covenant into the new royal city of Jerusalem. The ark proceeds into the city that David has captured with extravagant liturgy and is set in a tent that he has prepared. David leads the procession in exuberant dance. One of his wives, Saul's daughter Michal, perhaps representing the old order which David is replacing, despises him. With the arrival of the ark, Jerusalem becomes both the cultic and religious center of David's kingdom.

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24

As pilgrims go up to God's holy place for worship, they cleanse themselves and praise the just Lord, who has created all things.

- 1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.
- 2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? *
and who can stand in his holy place?"
- 4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud.
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle."

9 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory."

Ephesians 1:3–14

Paul praises God for the glorious inheritance that has been ordained for those who are now the children of God. Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, our freedom from sin is made possible. Now we share in the mystery of God's plan to form a universal community in association with Christ. In all this we have the Holy Spirit as a kind of pledge or down payment for the fullness of the heritage to come.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

Mark 6:14–29

The death of John the Baptist by order of King Herod. John the Baptist's preaching sharply criticized Herod for his marriage to Herodias, who had been the wife of Herod's brother Philip. Herod was intrigued and also fearful of John, but at a banquet at which Herodias's daughter performed, the king rashly promised the girl whatever request she might make. At her mother's prompting, the girl asks for the head of John the Baptist. John's fearlessness, Herodias's brutality, and Herod's expediency thus intersect and lead to John's martyrdom.

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

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

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want

to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Shelley Denney

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

All 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 Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop-Elect of the Episcopal
Church and Shepherd of your people, that he may be blessed with the gifts
of your Holy Spirit and grow in strength, wisdom and courage as he
prepares to lead us forward in love and unity, 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

All 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.**

All 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.

All stand or kneel.

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.**

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.**



come. explore. serve. be.

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.

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

***Music at St. Dunstan's Presents
Molly Quinn, Soprano Benjamin Sheen, Organ
Sacred songs - chants and arias - theater music
Sunday, July 28, 3 pm, reception following***

In a beautiful blending of voice and organ, Molly Quinn and Benjamin Sheen will present a recital at St. Dunstan's on Sunday afternoon, July 28. Parishioners and the public are invited to the concert and the reception with the artists that will follow.

The duo's richly varied program will feature Louis Vierne's stunning Les Angelus for Soprano and Organ. Molly and Benjamin also will offer organ works based on chant, presented with the chants that inspired them. Their program will also include Baroque arias and music from the theater.

Currently Director of Music at Jesus College Cambridge, Ben is one of the UK's most established organists on both sides of the Atlantic. Hailed as "brilliant" by the New York Times, he is a past winner of the Pierre S. du Pont First Prize in the inaugural Longwood Gardens Organ Competition and of the Jon Laukvik prize at the St. Alban's International Organ Competition.

Soprano Molly Quinn is a longtime member of the Carmel Bach Festival Chorale and featured soloist. She has appeared as a soloist in noted national and international venues including Alice Tully Hall, Carnegie Hall, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Shostakovich Hall in St. Petersburg, Russia, and San Cristobal Cathedral in Havana, Cuba.



Tickets are \$25, available at the door. Students and patrons 18 and under are free.





Join us in giving Bishop
Lucinda a warm
St. Dunstan's Welcome!
Sunday, August 4th

Dedicate Altar Flowers

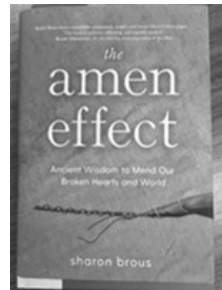


This is a lovely and meaningful way to give Glory to God in celebration of a birthday, or in thanksgiving, or in memory of a loved one. The cost of the flowers is \$30, but some give more. Checks should be made out to St. Dunstan's with "Altar Flowers" in the memo.

Sign up on the Welcome Table.

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.

Children's schedule for Summer

July 28—**Blessing of the Backpacks!** 4th Sunday Service.

Children help with the service.

August 4—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!

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.



I-Help this Thursday, July 18th

Look for the Sign-Up sheet on the welcome table to bring in food or to help out for the men's dinner on the 18th.

We appreciate your participation!

Thank you from the I-HELP Team

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THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, July 14

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Book Study Group
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

Monday, July 15

Office Closed

Tuesday, July 16

- 6:00 pm Book Study Group
- 6:00 pm Episcopal 101
- 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, July 17

- 10:00 am Conversation & Communion
Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 11:00 am Book Study Group
- 2:30 pm Haiti Team Meeting
- 5:00 pm Zoom Compline

Thursday, July 18

- 4:00 pm I Help Men

Friday, July 19

Saturday, July 20

- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, July 21

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Book Study Group
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1 Tom Dietrich
July 2 Ken Palmer
July 4 Tom Masters
July 8 Andy Lambert
July 21 Zachary Davis

July 23 Hana Ferguson
July 23 Steve Andrews
July 27 Elizabeth Buche
July 29 Beth Stewart