

Hallelujah! He is Risen!



EASTER DAY

April 20, 2025

10am

Welcome to St Dunstan's! We are glad you are here!

St. Dunstan's acknowledges that the land on which we gather, and which we steward, is the historic territory of the Rumsen and Esselen peoples, who cared for this land throughout the generations. We give thanks for their strength and resilience in protecting this land, and aspire to uphold our responsibilities according to their example.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The congregation is invited to observe silence during the prelude out of respect for those who wish to pray.

Preludes Baroque Composers of the “Chapels Royal”

*Clarke, Greene, Purcell, Boyce
Greg Smith, Trumpet*

All Stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 207 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Easter Hymn

The Easter Acclamation is chanted three times.

Priest 
Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People 
The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

Resurrecting the Alleluias

Glory to God—Hallelujah Chorus

See insert in pew

*G.F. Handel
(1685-1759)*

Remain standing

The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Lord of the dawn, revealed to women of courage and men of doubt: take us from the empty places where death holds power to the rising of your love as light for all the world; in Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life. **Amen.**

All are seated

Acts 10:34–43

Peter recognizes that the good news, which Jesus began to proclaim after his baptism, now extends to all people. At first Peter was slow to believe that God wanted him to bring the word to a non-Jew. But God has revealed this to Peter, and Peter gladly responds to Cornelius, a Roman centurion, together with his family and friends. Peter and the disciples are witnesses to Christ's ministry, death, and resurrection and have been commanded to preach forgiveness of sins through Jesus' name.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ-- he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118: On this Day the Lord has Acted

Frederick Burgomaster

The congregation joins the choir in singing the refrain at the beginning, and after verses 15, 17, and 23



refrain

14 The Lord is my strength and my song,
he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous.

refrain

16 The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!
The right hand is exalted.

17 I shall not die but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.

refrain

22 The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

refrain

1 Corinthians 15:19–26

Paul describes the plan of the resurrection age: it has begun with Christ's rising, and this event gives us confidence that God will defeat death, the last enemy. Some of the Corinthians either doubted Christ's resurrection or held that Christians could already live a fully resurrected life of the spirit without any regard for the body. Paul insists on the reality of Christ's rising, which has made possible the hope of a new life in a world where all presently die.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

Gradual Hymn 208 The strife is o'er, the battle done

Victory

Luke 24:1–12

Three women disciples first learn of Jesus' resurrection. Coming early in the morning to anoint the body, they find the stone covering the tomb rolled away and the body gone. No human eye sees Jesus rise, but now two angelic figures appear and remind the troubled and frightened women that Jesus had predicted these things would happen to him. The women then report what they have heard and seen to the apostles, but their word is not believed. Peter runs to the tomb and is amazed at what has happened.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they

went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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 Baptismal Covenant *All Stand.*

Priest Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Priest Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Priest Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Priest Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessions for the Christian People

Standing or kneeling.

Leader Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! At this the heavenly choirs of angels rejoice, the earth exults, and mother church is glad. Therefore I ask you, who praise the loving-kindness of almighty God, to join in prayer for all of God's people, and for all people everywhere according to their needs. That all may know the benefits of the paschal victory of Christ, we pray, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader Almighty and merciful God, we give you thanks for those who have come through the waters of rebirth into the promised land of your eternal kingdom. Guide all your baptized people who struggle to know and to do your will in the kingdoms of this world, that by their lives they may show forth the new life in Christ to all nations.

Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks for those who struggle for peace and justice in the world. Guide their efforts, that they may act with prudence and vision to plant the signs of your dominion in the earth.

Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks that Mary Magdalene found healing in the encounter with the risen Christ. Give wholeness and peace to all those in need: the sick, the unloved and the forgotten, the poor and the hungry, the dying and the bereaved.

Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks for the abiding presence of your Son in the word and sacrament. As we feast this Easter Day on the true bread from heaven, set our minds on things above, that we may gain a new perspective on the things that are on earth.

Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith, who now rest from their labors awaiting the resurrection to eternal life.

May we, like them, remain faithful to the end and share in the fruits of the victory of Christ, the paschal lamb who takes away the sin of the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

People hear our prayer.

Priest Hear our prayers on behalf of those for whom we pray, and give us peace in this time of our paschal rejoicing, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen and exalted Lord.

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.

Easter Greeting & Welcome

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,
an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem The Strife is o'er

*Henry Ley
(1887-1962)*

The strife is o'er, the battle done:
Now is the Victor's triumph won:
O let the song of praise be sung: Hallelujah!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
And Jesus hath His foes dispersed;
Let shouts of praise and joy out burst: Hallelujah!

On the third morn He rose again,
Glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain: Hallelujah!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to thee: Hallelujah! Amen.

Offertory Hymn 205 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

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Gelobt sei Gott*

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."

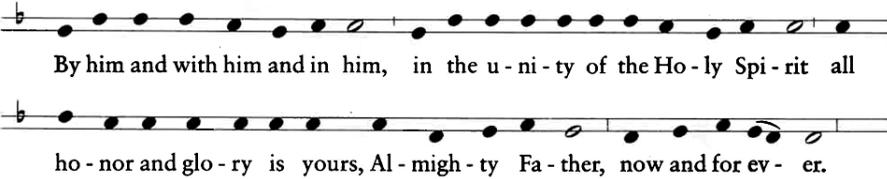
Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**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.

Priest



By him and with him and in him, in the u - ni - ty of the Ho - ly Spi - rit all
 ho - nor and glo - ry is yours, Al - migh - ty Fa - ther, now and for ev - er.

People



A - men.

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 S 155 Christ our Passover

Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
 sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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,
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.
You may have communion brought to your seat by notifying an usher.

Communion Anthem Now the Green Blade Rises

arr. by Hal H. Hopson

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain,
Thinking that he would never wake again,
Laid in the ear like grain that sleeps unseen;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
Raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our heart are wintry, grieving or in pain,
Your touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

Communion Hymn 178 Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. *Alleluia No. 1*

The Post-Communion Prayer

All stand or kneel.

Priest Let us pray.

People Eternal 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 *All stand*

Priest In the gift of this new day,
in the gift of the present moment,
in the gift of time and eternity intertwined,
let us be grateful,
let us be attentive,
let us be open to what has never happened before;
in the gift of this new day,
in the gift of the present moment,
in the gift of time and eternity intertwined,
May the hope found in the resurrection of Jesus Christ bless,
guide and sustain us, now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 199 Come ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

Dismissal

Priest 

Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ, al - le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia.

People 

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Postlude Toccata (from *Symphony V*)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

The people are invited to listen and observe silence during the postlude.

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;
serve all with compassion.
Be yourself among us.

Easter Flowers are given to the glory of God

and in Loving Memory of

Donna Rico by Michelle & Scott Wilsdon

Lawrence Reiersen by Star Reiersen

Jim and Margaret Tomlin and

Ralph and Irene Hickox by Julie & John Tomlin

John and Jeanne Logan by Tom Logan

John and Jeanne Logan by Liz Rondelle

*Beloved Family: Jamie Edward and Eudora Coote, Eric Coote,
Dannie and Patricia Whitley, Michael Whitley
by Rev. Laurel & Peter Coote*

Margaretta Shaw by Anna & Davis White

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and in Thanksgiving for

Andrew Nelms by Steve Andrews

Our family by Joe & Beth Heston

Our family by Robin & Bill Harness

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and in Celebration of

Lynn by Aliceon Jones

Liliana Rosen's Birthday by The Rosen Family

God by Bill & Cathy Solms

Happy Easter to You!



We're so glad you joined us today for our Easter Celebration, and we hope to see you again! If you are new to the community and would like to keep up with life and activities at St. Dunstan's, simply complete a pew card with your email and contact info and place it in the offering plate.

All are welcome to join us for our Easter Brunch in Brock Hall immediately following the service!

There will also be an Egg Hunt for all children! Please bring your child into the church hall for directions immediately following the service.

Special Thanks to...

**Fred Burgomaster &
St. Dunstan's Choir**

For inspiring us with glorious music
through organ and voice!

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, April 20

6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service
Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am Easter Service
Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
11:15 am Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt

Monday, April 21

Office Closed

Tuesday, April 22

Office Closed

7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, April 23

Office Closed

Thursday, April 24

Office Closed

Friday, April 25

Office Closed

Saturday, April 26

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, April 27

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
11:15 am Coffee Hour

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 2—George Lockwood	April 9—Rev. Laurel Coote	April 22—Bobby Clampett
April 4—Zoey Schlenker	April 11—Mel Britton	April 23—Todd Lueders
April 5—Sue Peccianti	April 14—Susie Carr	April 26—Lauren Leonoff
April 6—McKenzie Moss	April 15—Mark Olsheskie	April 28—Melanie Cervi
April 6—June Parris	April 17—Hannah Priestley	
April 7—Rachel Mueller	April 17—Liliana Rosen	

Sermon Notes