



ST. DUNSTAN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 29, 2025  
8 am

*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.*

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## 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 forever. 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.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

*The people are seated.*

### **2 Kings 2:1–2, 6–14**

*The prophet Elijah is taken into heaven and the passing on of his power to Elisha. The narrative illustrates the great favor Elijah found in the eyes of the Lord as he is carried away in a chariot of fire. Elisha is in despair, but God does not leave the people without prophetic vision. As Elijah had done before him, and like a new Joshua, Elisha proves that God is with him by causing the Jordan River to part.*

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard

thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

**Reader** The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 77:1–2, 11–20**

*The psalm asks that God endow the king with compassionate justice and righteousness and that his reign may extend over all nations and throughout all generations. To him shall kings from distant lands bring gifts.*

- 1 I will cry aloud to God; \*  
I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; \*  
my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;  
I refused to be comforted.
- 11 I will remember the works of the LORD, \*  
and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your acts \*  
and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; \*  
who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who works wonders \*  
and have declared your power among the peoples.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, \*  
the children of Jacob and Joseph.

16 The waters saw you, O God;  
the waters saw you and trembled; \*  
the very depths were shaken.

17 The clouds poured out water;  
the skies thundered; \*  
your arrows flashed to and fro;

18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;  
your lightnings lit up the world; \*  
the earth trembled and shook.

19 Your way was in the sea,  
and your paths in the great waters, \*  
yet your footsteps were not seen.

20 You led your people like a flock \*  
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

### **Galatians 5:1, 13–25**

*Paul describes the character of Christian freedom. It enables one to fulfill the spirit of the entire law by loving one's neighbor as oneself. But always there is the danger of lapsing back into the old ways, described here as the ways of the flesh. This means enslavement to physical and spiritual sins which result from an unwillingness to be servants to one another in love. Those who belong to Christ live by the Spirit of love, joy, and self-control.*

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the

Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God.**

*All Stand.*

### **Luke 9:51–62**

*Jesus encounters opposition and misunderstanding, and then speaks with several would-be disciples. The Samaritans reject Jesus because they were opposed to worship in Jerusalem. James and John wish to punish them, but this is not Jesus' way. Potential followers are bid to count the cost, and Jesus points out that true discipleship means leaving other things behind. This can cause the painful rupture of past ties and relationships.*

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

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

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of

the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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.*

## **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.  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.  
Who 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**

*Form IV*

*The people stand or kneel*

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Priest Most Holy God, mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will with joyful and compassionate hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Confession**

Priest 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 the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

### **The Peace** *All stand.*

**Priest** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*The people exchange the peace with one another.*

### **Announcements** *All are seated.*

### **Prayer for a Birthday**

**O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant N. as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **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](http://www.stdcv.org)*

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

## The Great Thanksgiving

*EOW 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 our 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 for 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.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you call 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 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 to his friends and said: 10

“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:

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send 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 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.

**All Blessed are you now and for ever. 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 This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

**People Whoever eats this bread will live forever.**

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.

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 the 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 *All Stand.*

### The Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

*All are welcome at coffee hour.*

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*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and  
In Memory of Doug Pease by Sarah Pease*



**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.

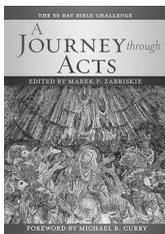
### A Journey through Acts

Bible Study finishes this week !

Sunday, June 29th—9:00am

Tuesday, July 1st—5:30pm

Wednesday, July 2nd—11:00am



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## **Children's Corner**



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

Our Sunday School program will resume September 7th!

Happy Summer!

## *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!

## **Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests**

For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel at [rector@saintdunstanschurch.org](mailto:rector@saintdunstanschurch.org) or on her cell 310-562-5746. Or you can 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 [stdcvdok@gmail.com](mailto:stdcvdok@gmail.com). The Daughters pray for members of our parish as well as many others daily.



# THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

## Sunday, June 29

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Adult Faith Formation  
Acts Bible Study
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:15 am Coffee Hour

## Monday, June 30

Office Closed

## Tuesday, July 1

- 4:40 pm Zoom Compline
- 5:30 pm Adult Faith Formation  
Acts Bible Study
- 7:30 pm AA

## Wednesday, July 2

- 10:00 am Conversation and Communion  
Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 11:00 am Adult Faith Formation  
Acts Bible Study
- 1:30 pm DOK Meeting

## Thursday, July 3

- 9:30 am Bible Study Leaders Meeting

## Friday, July 4

## Saturday, July 5

- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

## Sunday, July 6

- 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](http://stdcv.org/calendar)

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

June 30—Marianna  
Clampett

July 1—Tom Dietrich

July 2—Ken Palmer

July 4—Tom Masters

July 23—Steve Andrews

July 23—Hana Ferguson

July 27—Elizabeth Buche

July 29—Beth Stewart

July 30—Susan Schueler

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