



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 24, 2025 10 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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The congregation is invited to observe silence during the prelude, out of respect for those who are listening, and as an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and healing.

Prelude Improvisation on *Bunessan* (Hymn 8)

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 8 Morning has broken

Bunessan

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.**

Gloria S 280

*Robert Powell
(b. 1932)*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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.

God of the Sabbath, this is the day and this is the hour when women long oppressed learn to stand with dignity, when your healing escapes our desire for control: may your joy stretch the fabric of our hearts and inspire us to loose each other's bonds; through Jesus Christ, the shamer of the powerful and the raiser of the dead. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Jeremiah 1:4–10

The story of the calling of Jeremiah to be a prophet of the Lord. Jeremiah protests that he is inadequate to the task, but the Lord promises to be with him. He has been chosen to prophesy destruction and exile for Judah. Yet he will also help his people find a faith which can survive without city and sanctuary until they are one day brought back to Jerusalem.

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you,
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1–6

A prayer that God will continue to be one's refuge and stronghold.

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; *
let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; *
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *
you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, *
my confidence since I was young.
- 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; *
my praise shall be always of you.

Hebrews 12:18–29

Disciples are said to stand, not before Mount Sinai, but before Mount Zion of the heavenly Jerusalem. Theirs is an unshakable kingdom. The covenant at Sinai was made in terror. Through the covenant brought about by Jesus' sacrifice, the new people become God's children. Not to heed the voice of Christ, however, is more dangerous than it was not to hear God's words spoken through Moses. The God of fire who shook the earth at Sinai will shake earth and heaven once more. Only what is unshaken will remain.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge

of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn WLP 773 Heal me, hands of Jesus

Sharpe

Luke 13:10–17

Jesus, on the sabbath day, heals a long-suffering woman from an infirmity she has had for many years. The effect of Jesus' laying on of hands is immediate. Rather than rejoicing at the blessing received by the woman, the official in the place of worship protests Jesus' trespass against one traditional understanding of sabbath regulations, an argument apparently current in Jesus' time. Jesus sharply contrasts these rules with the kindness routinely shown to animals, shaming the official and causing all to marvel at his words and deeds.

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

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

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the

crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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.
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.*

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 Solo *Elévation (from Suite Médiévale)*

*Jean Langlais
(1907-1991)*

Offertory Hymn 521 Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might

Chelsea Square

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:

Sanctus S 129 Holy, holy, holy Lord

Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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: "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.

Fraction Anthem S 164 Jesus, Lamb of God

Deutsche Messe

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first line of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a melody with lyrics: "Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us." The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second line of musical notation continues the piece with the same treble and bass staff arrangement. The treble staff has a melody with lyrics: "Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us." The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

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.

Communion Hymn 304 I come with joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest

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.*

Closing Hymn 699 Jesus, Lover of my soul

Aberystwyth

The Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude *Entrée (from Suite Médiévale)*

Jean Langlais

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of 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;
serve all with compassion.
Be yourself among us.



**Episcopal 101 classes begin
Saturday, September 6, 2025 -- 9:00-11:00am**
All you ever wanted to know about the
Episcopal Church, and more!



Beginning Saturday, September 6, and continuing for four weeks thru Saturday, September 26, all are invited to participate in Episcopal 101

This class is offered for those preparing for baptism, confirmation, reaffirmation or reception into the Episcopal Church; but any who are curious are welcome to attend.

Calling upon our *Book of Common Prayer* and other resources, together we will explore the roots of our ministry as members of the Anglican Communion including: our liturgy, sacraments, rites and prayers, beliefs, practices and polities, structures and how God is calling us to engage our faith

TO SIGN UP: Email Rev. Laurel at rector@saintdunstanschurch.org or sign up on the Breezeway Table (and if you can't make them all, it's ok!)

Coffee Hour Hosts

Thank you to Sheila Hiebert for providing baked goods for coffee hour this morning!



If you are able to host coffee hour on a Sunday please sign up on the breezeway table.



In the Grip of Grace:
a 6-week study on the
Book of Romans.

Book study continues this week:

Sundays at 9:00am
Tuesdays at 5:30pm
Wednesdays at 11:00am.

“Come walk with us in faith and friendship” as we explore Romans together.

Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests

For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel at 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. The Daughters pray for members of our parish as well as many others daily.



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!

SAVE THE DATE -- SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS ON LABOR DAY

Located right in the heart of the Carmel Valley Village is Rippling River Center, which provides low-income housing for seniors or older individuals with disabilities. Over 20 years ago one of our own members, **Joe Hertlein**, created an organization, **Friends of Rippling River**, to advocate for the residents and in the process to help to create a strong sense of community among the residents through organized events.



Summer Bar-B-Ques are a favorite for residents and we have been invited to sponsor the BBQ Luncheon on this upcoming **Labor Day, Monday, September 1**. This is a great opportunity to get to know our local neighbors and to extend ourselves in gracious hospitality, and we hope you'll join us!

Please watch for more information to come that will detail tasks and timelines. All are welcome (young and old alike)! Sign up on the Breezeway Table to help with set-up and clean-up, to donate food, or to assist with grilling and serving.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION NEWS!!

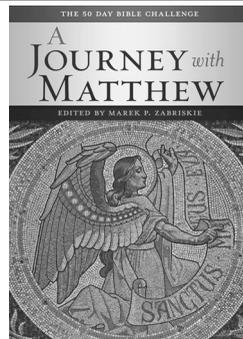
Come “share our desire to explore our relationship with God and support one another.” Our Bible study groups will be studying the **Gospel of Matthew** beginning the week of September 14th, through the week of November 16th.

Rev. Laurel will be presenting an introduction to the gospel of Matthew on Sunday, September 7th at 9:00 a.m. in Brock Hall. This is intended for all participants regardless of your regular meeting time.

Our guidebook will be ***A Journey with Matthew*** edited by Marek P. Zabriskie. His approach includes daily scripture readings, meditations by dynamic spiritual leaders and authors, questions to consider and prayers.

The groups will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays, 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, and 11:00 a.m. on Wednesdays. We encourage you to order your books as soon as possible.

If you want to get a head start, the readings for the first group meetings are pages 2-21. A syllabus with each week’s assignments will be available on September 7th.



“Come walk with us in faith and friendship”
as we journey together with Matthew.

The Bishop is coming, The Bishop is coming!! **AND** The Blessing of the Animals!

Sunday, September 28, 2025 - in the sanctuary!

Mark your calendars now for Bishop Lucinda's Annual Visitation. It is sure to be a full and joyous Sunday on which we will offer baptisms, confirmations, reaffirmations of faith or receptions into the Episcopal church.

We will also celebrate St. Francis Day with the blessing of our beloved animals (living or in memory).

Those desiring to be baptized (or to have their children baptized), or to profess one's faith through the rites of Confirmation, Reaffirmation or Reception, should reach out to Rev. Laurel for more information.

St. Dunstan's Staff

Rev Laurel Coote, Rector
rector@saintdunstanschurch.org

Elizabeth Buche, Parish Administrator
office@saintdunstanschurch.org

Dr. Fred Burgomaster, Director of Music
fburgo33@gmail.com

Lauren Proulx Leonoff, School Director
director@stdunstansmontessori.org

Carol Langland, Treasurer
treasurer@saintdunstanschurch.org

Joe Heston, Verger
jwheston@aol.com

Sue Peccianti, Bookkeeper
bookkeeper@saintdunstanschurch.org

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.

St. Dunstan's Vestry



Susan Pitts, Senior Warden
Jackie Wendland, Jr. Warden
Mike Cervi
Jack Enbom
Sheila Hiebert
Carol Langland
George Lockwood
Perry Rosen

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!

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 suggested donation is \$30. Checks should be made out to St. Dunstan's with "Altar Flowers" in the memo.

Sign up on the Welcome Table.

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, August 24

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

Monday, August 25

Office Closed

Tuesday, August 26

- 9:00 am** Adult Faith Formation
Romans Book Study
- 4:30 pm** Zoom Compline
- 7:30 pm** AA

Wednesday, August 27

- 10:00am** Conversation and Communion
Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am** Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 11:00 am** Adult Faith Formation
Romans Book Study

Thursday, August 28

- 3:00 pm** Vestry Meeting

Friday, August 29

Saturday, August 30

Sunday, August 31

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

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

July 29—Beth Stewart	August 6— Pam Austin	August 25—Jocelyn Lagier
July 30—Susan Schueler	August 10—Sandy Hendrickson	August 28—Sienna Anderson
August 2—Bette Nybakken	August 12—Mary Poland	August 31—Nathan Lagier
August 3—June Saunders	August 17—Carol Langland	
August 4—Ann Quattlebaum		

Sermon Notes

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel, California 93923

(831) 624-6646 office@saintdunstanschurch.org