



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 1, 2026
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 Choral in E Minor

*Jean Langlais
(1907-1991)*

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

The ministers process in silence.

Priest Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

Priest Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

The people stand or kneel. A moment of silence is kept.

**People God eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbors,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen.**

Priest May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins that we may behold the glory of his Son and Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie (from *Missa Exaltabo*)

Frederick Burgomaster

Choir or Cantor All* Choir or Cantor

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son. Chris - te e -
Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy, Christ have

All

le - i - son, Chris - te e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e -
mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Lord have

All

le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. _____
mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy. _____

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 God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Genesis 12:1–4a

God calls Abraham (who was then known as Abram) to leave his own country and become the father of a great nation. Trusting in the Lord, Abram and his family forsake all that is familiar to them to set out for an unknown land. This story is a primary illustration of the way God acts in history by calling individuals to venture forth in faith.

The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121

A song of trust in the Lord, the unsleeping guardian of Israel.

S 410

Robert Knox Kennedy



- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

Romans 4:1–5, 13–17

Paul describes Abraham as an individual who through faith found a right relationship with God. He is the father of all who trust in the Lord. Paul uses the example of Abraham as a centerpiece for his argument that righteousness with God comes through faith and not by works of the law. The promise given to Abraham and his descendants was not made because of good works or legal obedience. It rests on grace alone.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee *Wer nur den lieben Gott*

John 3:1–17

Nicodemus, one of the Pharisees, comes during the night to talk with Jesus. Nicodemus is a figure used by the evangelist to represent a type of person who wants to believe but has difficulty understanding spiritual realities. Jesus tells him that individuals cannot enter the kingdom of God unless they are born anew through water and the Spirit. The inner meaning of the passage partly turns on the fact that “born anew” can also be understood as “born

from on high” and the same Greek word means both wind and spirit. Jesus then tells Nicodemus of the Son of Man come down from heaven who will be lifted up, both on the cross to die for the world and to return to heaven in glory.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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 *Standing or kneeling.*

Form II

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Leader I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; For our Presiding Bishop, Sean; our Bishop, Lucinda; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among all nations; for our leaders, for Donald, our president and Gavin, our governor, and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for all who seek Jesus, or a deeper knowledge of Him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Leader Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored, and pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Priest O Lord our God, creator of all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully accept our prayers, and give us strength to do your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **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 But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15-16*

Offertory Anthem Be Thou my Vision

*Bob Chilcott
(b. 1955)*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee Lord;
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou, and thou only, the first in my heart;
O Sov'reign of heaven, my treasure thou art;
Great heart of my own heart, whatever be fall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

EARLY IRISH TR. MARY BYRNE

Offertory Hymn 705 (vss. 1,3) As those of old their first fruits brought *Forest Green*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

Sanctus S 124

David Hurd

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.

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The people stand or kneel.

Priest Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Priest We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ.

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 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.

Agnus Dei (from *Missa Exaltabo*)

Frederick Burgomaster

Lamb of ___ God, you take a - way the sins ___ of the world: have
mer - cy on us. ___ Lamb of ___ God you take a - way the sins of the
world: have mer - cy on us. ___ Lamb of ___ God, you
take a - way the sins ___ of the world: grant us 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 WLP 827 O Lord hear my pray'r

*Jacques Berthier
(1923-1994)*

During Communion in Lent the congregation is invited to join the choir in singing Taizé-style devotional chants, repeated indefinitely by all throughout Communion, at various times in unison, parts, women, men, or organ solo.

O Lord hear my pray'r, O Lord hear my pray'r.

When I call, an - swer me. O Lord hear my pray'r. O

Lord hear my pray'r, Come and lis - ten to me. O

The Prayer After Communion

Priest Let us pray.

People Compassionate and loving God, through your Son Jesus Christ you have fed us, and reconciled your people to yourself. May we who have shared in the holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world. Following Christ's example of fasting and prayer, may we obey you with willing hearts and serve one another in holy love. Amen.

The Blessing

All Stand.

Closing Hymn 149 Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church

Old 124th

The Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people remain standing as the ministers depart in silence.

Postlude Praeludium in C Minor

*J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)*

All are welcome at coffee hour.

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*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
And in Memory and Celebration of Stan Shoor and Dudley Mead
by Dr. Jeff and Caroline Duckham*

LENTEN ADULT FAITH FORMATION
Continues this week!

We will be reading and reflecting upon "**The Last Supper**" by Will Willimon, retired Bishop of the United Methodist Church and a professor at Duke Divinity School.

Join us as we travel with Jesus on the road to Jerusalem in this profound Lenten Study that explores the parables and stories Jesus told at tables along the way to his final meal. Together we'll explore how stories of mercy, invitation and radical hospitality prepare us for Holy Week and our Agape Meal on Maundy Thursday.

Our books have been provided by an anonymous donor and are available in the church office or you can get yours from a group facilitator.

Gathering times

Sundays at 9:00am

In the outer office and at the school

Wednesdays (women's group) 11:00am

In the outer office

**New Time* Wednesdays at 5:30pm*

In the outer office

Lent Madness is back!

Learn about two saints every day and vote on which should progress toward the Golden Halo! This is just for fun, but you also learn about two saints every day— a good thing for Lent. Go on line and visit lentmadness.Org every morning, read and vote! Watch the progress toward the Golden Halo on the bracket posted in Brock Hall.



Coffee Hour Hosts

Thank you to Anna and Marion White for providing baked goods for coffee hour today!

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

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.



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!

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LENTEN SOUP SUPPER SERIES

Join us as we explore Prayer-in shape form and practice. Through the Book of Common Prayer; Centering Prayer; Writing our own Collects; Prayer in Motion; Labyrinth Walk; Prayer via Song; Classic Prayers through the Centuries. Together we will examine what we pray, why we pray, how we pray, when and where we pray-and perhaps discover how God best meets us in prayer, and how prayer helps us to heal.

Sign up to join us this Tuesday, March 3rd
5:00-7:00PM



March Schedule

March 1st, 10am—Sunday School in Brock Hall

March 10th, 5pm—Soup Supper with Children's Activity

March 15th, 10am—Sunday School in Brock Hall

March 24th, 5pm—Soup Supper with Children's Activity

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



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Reimagine / Refurbish / Reinvigorate
Your Capital Campaign Committee
in partnership with
the Capital Refurbishment Project Team
is pleased to announce the launch of the
2026 St. Dunstan's Capital Campaign

The 2026 St. Dunstan's Capital Campaign
will benefit the Capital Refurbishment Project.

Campaign Goal: \$500,000
Campaign Dates: February 22, 2026 - April 10, 2026

Members of the church will be contacted during this time
by a member of the Capital Campaign Committee to schedule
a time to speak with you so that we may:

- * present a packet of information about the project*
- * address any questions or concerns you may have*
- * and to ask for a contribution to the campaign.*

*It is our hope that every member will be able to participate
in the Capital Campaign, at whatever level is best for them.*

Every gift, no matter the amount, is valued and appreciated.

Your Capital Campaign Committee Members are:

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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.



St. Dunstan's Vestry

Mike Cervi, Senior Warden
Susan Pitts, Jr. Warden
Sheila Hiebert
Carol Langland
Perry Rosen
Jackie Wendland
Davis White
Michelle Wildon



THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, March 1

- 8:00am** Holy Eucharist
- 9:00am** Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00am** Lenten Study—The Last Supper
- 10:00am** Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:30am** Coffee Hour

Monday, March 2

Office Closed

Tuesday, March 3

- 5:00pm** Lenten Soup Supper and Program
- 7:30pm** AA

Wednesday, March 4

- 10:00am** Conversation and Communion
Holy Eucharist
- 11:00am** Lenten Study—The Last Supper
- 11:00am** Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 1:30pm** DOK Meeting
- 5:30pm** Lenten Study—The Last Supper

Thursday, March 5

- 12:00pm** Quilters Group
- 3:00pm** Parish Sabbatical Committee
Meeting

Friday, March 6

Saturday, March 7

- 9:00am** Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 8

- 8:00am** Holy Eucharist
- 9:00am** Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00am** Lenten Study—The Last Supper
- 10:00am** Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:30am** Coffee Hour

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March 1	Dave Beach	March 19	Jim Kasson
March 2	Flo vonPlaten	March 21	Jenny Whaley
March 9	Jeff Jones	March 22	Sally Dietrich
March 12	Lisa Olsheskie	March 27	Katherine Miller
March 16	Kurt Buche	March 28	Tracy Jones
March 16	Mike Hendrickson	March 28	Liz Rondelle
		March 30	Art Pasquinelli

Sermon Notes

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