



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 28, 2026
8 am

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The congregation is invited to observe silence, as an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and healing. Prayers for yourself or another are available during Communion by a member of the Daughters of the King in the back of the church near the Sacristy door.

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

A Prayer for the Sabbatical Season

All Thanks be to you, O God, for the strong arm of those who have given us shelter in our life, who loved us from the womb and carried us as children, who guarded us like watchful angels and wept when we were in pain. Thanks be to you for the men and women whose passion for the poor is undying, whose prayer for the oppressed is tender, whose defence of the wronged is fierce. Grant us the strength to cry for justice, to be patient for peace, to be angry for love. Grant us the grace of a strong soul, O God, grant us the grace to be strong.

Sounds of the Eternal Celtic Psalter, John Philip Newell

People Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's 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.

Welcoming God, giving space for creation to return your love: make us apostles of the open table, a place of hospitality to challenge the world with the gift of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, who offered himself for us. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah once again speaks tough and unpopular truths, now in the temple and before the priests and all the people. Zedekiah king of Judah has joined a rebellion against Babylon, and Jeremiah has predicted that Jerusalem will fall to the Babylonians in consequence, with many taken captive. Another prophet, Hananiah the Gibeonite, offers false and conflicting reassurances of peace. Jeremiah perseveres in his difficult message that comes from God.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 89: 1-4, 15-18

The Lord is praised for faithful love and mighty justice.

- 1 Your love, O LORD, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
- 3 "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
- 4 'I will establish your line for ever, *
and preserve your throne for all generations.'"
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! *
they walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily in your Name; *
they are jubilant in your righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength, *
and by your favor our might is exalted.
- 18 Truly, the LORD is our ruler; *
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Romans 6:12-23

By the grace of God Christians are no longer slaves to sin but are obedient to the service of righteousness. Paul is concluding his long discussion of the way in which disciples have been given a right relationship with God through faith. They are no longer set on a course that leads through immorality to death. To use a very human analogy, they are now slaves of righteousness and are bound to the service of God, which leads to holiness and eternal life.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand

Matthew 10:40-42

Jesus tells of reward for disciples who find themselves welcomed as himself and welcomed as God who has sent him. Those who receive Jesus' followers will find they are receiving the Lord himself and God who sent him. Those who do well and help even the least of the disciples will find great reward.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a

righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Shelley Denney

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Creed *All Stand.*

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Church of England, based on Ephesians

The Prayers of the People

The people stand or kneel

Leader Asking our Creator, in the name of Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray in faith, saying, "Hear our prayer, O gracious God."

For the Church throughout the world, for our Presiding Bishop Sean, our Bishop Lucinda, our Rector Laurel, Père Noé and Saint Andre's Haiti, and all our diocese. For all the baptized and all those you are calling, that we may be empowered by the Spirit to show the living Christ to the world and give witness to his love by our life and work, we pray to you:

People Hear our prayer, O gracious God.

Leader For all the nations, tribes, and people of the world – and for those who make decisions affecting them – move their hearts and minds to actions that lead to peace, justice, and the welfare of all. To give us strength and courage to influence others, to dwell with those who suffer in their pain, and to work for your peace and justice, we pray to you:

People Hear our prayer, O gracious God.

Leader For our beautiful earth, with its diverse, fragile, and endangered environments and limited resources. May we see your creative hand in the natural world around us, that we may rejoice in and work together to exercise wise stewardship over the gifts of creation you have given into our care, that we may pass them on to future generations, we pray to you:

People Hear our prayer, O gracious God.

Leader For our community, and all communities, for a spirit of cooperation and connection, and a building of trust and peace; for those without adequate food, shelter, clothing, safety, and work, and especially for the welfare of the children, the elders, and the poor; that we may be moved to serve our neighbors, we pray to You:

People Hear our prayer, O gracious God.

Leader For the poor, the hopeless, the unemployed, the homeless, for prisoners, those affected by war, violence, or natural disasters, for those who are forced to flee their homes, for those who experience discrimination and hatred, and for all who are in any kind of trouble, sorrow, need or sickness, and for those who care for them, we pray to you:

People Hear our prayer, O gracious God.

Leader For those who have died, for the dying, for us at our time of death, and for all who mourn, we pray to you:

People Hear our prayer, O gracious God.

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
In gratitude we ask these things:

People Hear our prayer, O gracious God, and fill us with your Spirit.

Priest O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **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 our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace *All stand.*

Priest The peace of 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 servants 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 lives; 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

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

The Great Thanksgiving

EOW Prayer 2

The people stand at the procession of the offering and remain standing.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

People Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Priest Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, The Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 9
to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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 We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

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 together.

People Loving God, we thank you for renewing our innermost being with the spiritual food of Christ's body and blood. Nearer are you than breathing; we are your body, your hands, your feet. Ours are the eyes with which you, in the mystery, look out in compassion on a broken world. You have redeemed us and made us your people; forgiven, loved, and freed. Now take us outside this place to the crossroads of the world. Empower us to live and love as Christ and give us joy as we work and wait for the final victory of love and life. In Christ we pray. Amen.

From St. Helena & Iona Community

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

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
The Order of the Daughters of the King, The Elizabeth Chapter.*

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.

SERVING OUR NEIGHBORS ON JULY 4TH



Summer Bar-B-Ques are a favorite for the residents of Rippling River, a Center in the heart of Carmel Valley Village that provides low-income housing for seniors or older individuals with disabilities.

We will be sponsoring a BBQ Luncheon on **Saturday, the 4th of July** for our local neighbors. This is a great opportunity to get to know our neighbors and extend ourselves in gracious hospitality!

Monetary donations are gratefully appreciated to help defray the cost of the food. Checks can be made to St. Dunstan's Church with Rippling River noted on the memo line.

If you would like more information on this event, please speak to Joe Hertlein or Georgia Byrne.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Nature: Our First Way of Knowing God

Summer Bible Study

This seven-week study is meant to awaken our visceral knowing of the Creator through the creation, reconnect us with the sacred landscapes we call home, encourage us to provide space and time for spiritual reflection in nature, and to live in greater harmony with God's Earth.

All meetings will take place in the Guild room,
as follows:

Sundays at 9:00AM

Wednesdays at 11:00AM (Women's only group)

GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER ON SATURDAY, JULY 11?

A Little Mystery. A Lot of Fun!

What if you hosted dinner...but had no idea who was about to ring your doorbell?

Or showed up at a home...not knowing who else would be there?

Welcome to "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" - a night of delicious surprises, new connections, and plenty of laughs!





Thank you to Rev. Shelley for leading us in worship and walking with us in faith while Rev. Laurel is away!

Prayer Requests



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.

Thank you to our Servers today

June 28, 2026

Celebrant and Preacher

The Rev. Shelley Denney

Lay Leader

Steve Andrews

Lector

Susan Pitts

Next week's Servers

July 5, 2026

Celebrant and Preacher

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Reading for Renewal

The sabbatical committee compiled a list of books reflective of Rev. Laurel's planned activities while away. The list has been assembled containing her focus areas of prayer, Celtic spirituality, worship, the community of Iona, experiencing God in nature and experiencing God in music.

One book on the list, Sounds of the Eternal: A Celtic Psalter by John Philip Newell, is the source for our opening prayers in Sunday and Wednesday worship this summer. This is the same prayer book Rev. Laurel is taking on her sabbatical travels....a prayerful way for us to stay connected.

A copy of the complete list of books can be found on the welcome table.

Happy Reading!

St. Dunstan's Vestry

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



THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, June 28

- 8:00am** Holy Eucharist
9:00am Adult Faith Formation
Nature: Our First Way of
Knowing God
10:00am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
And DOK Installation
11:30am Coffee Hour

Monday, June 29

Office Closed

Tuesday, June 30

7:30pm AA

Wednesday, July 1

- 10:00am** Holy Eucharist
11:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry
11:00am Adult Faith Formation
Nature: Our First Way of
Knowing God
1:30pm DOK Meeting

Thursday, July 2

12:00pm Quilters Group

Friday, July 3

Office Closed

Saturday, July 4

Sunday, July 5

- 8:00am** Holy Eucharist
9:00am Adult Faith Formation
Nature: Our First Way of
Knowing God
10:00am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
11:30am Coffee Hour

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June 1—Joan Carter

June 6—Forrest Borlik

June 9—Mystery Chastain

June 11—Mary Britton

June 14—Elliot Cabral

June 15—Rebecca Miller

June 17—Celeste Falor

June 17—Rich Hawkins

June 18—Colette Frieg

June 21—Rodger Langland

June 30—Marianna Clampett

Sermon Notes

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