



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 31, 2019

8 am

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

*If you are new, or would like to update your information, please fill out a pew card.
And please join us for coffee and fellowship immediately following the service.*

THE MINISTRY 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 Hymn preludes on *St. Agnes*

Flor Peeters; Healey Willan

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.

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 **M**ay 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.**

Remain standing or kneeling.

The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Joshua 5:9–12

The first Passover kept by the Israelites after they had crossed over the Jordan River into the promised land. Now that they can eat the produce of the countryside, there is no longer need for the miraculous manna of the wilderness. This happens at Gilgal, a name meaning wheel, which suggests the wordplay as God declares the reproaches of the people to be rolled away.

The Lord said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.” And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32 *Beati quorum*

A thanksgiving for the forgiveness of sin.

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

2 Corinthians 5:16–21

Paul celebrates the new perspective that comes in Christ, and God's reconciling work in Christ that now makes its appeal to others through his disciples. Those who are united to Christ are part of a new order of creation. For our sake Christ experienced the consequences of human sin that we might have a right relationship with God. Now we are ambassadors of this message of reconciliation.

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32

The parable of the prodigal son, his elder brother, and their loving father. Hearers are meant to participate in the story by experiencing how it feels to be these individuals. One notices that the wastrel son thinks his father will only take him back if he promises to work hard and form a legalistic relationship with him. But what is the father to do when he sees his long-lost son coming down the road? How is the elder son to react to his brother's joyous welcome? The parable closes by leaving that last question to us.

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

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.'

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So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Serenity prayer

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
The courage to change the things I can,
And the wisdom to know the difference. Amen.

The Sermon

The Rev. Rob Fisher

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.

He 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.

Standing or kneeling.

The Prayers of the People from Brian McLaren's, *We Make the Way by Walking*

Leader Let us give thanks to the living God for all the gifts that we enjoy,
saying, "We thank you, living God."

Leader For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For the communities of St. Dunstan's and of St. Andre's in Haiti,
and for all people whose lives reveal the image of Christ:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For minds to think, hearts to love, and hands to serve:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For challenges which call forth new strength, for failures which teach greater
humility, and for encouragement to persevere when life is hard:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader We pray for those in special need today including [...]; let us pray to the Lord.

People We thank you, living God.

Leader We pray for those who have died, including [...]; let us pray to the Lord.

People We thank you, living God.

Leader We pray for the search for the 4th Bishop of the Diocese of El Camino Real.
We pray especially for the members of the Search Team, the Transition Team,
Bishop Mary and the person God is calling to be our next Bishop.

People We thank you, living God.

Leader For all who have gone before us, for all who walk beside us,
and for all children, who are precious to us and to you:

People We thank you, living God.

Leader And for the great wisdom and hope that you reveal to us through Jesus,
our leader, example, teacher, liberator, and friend:

People We thank you, living God.

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

○ God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant N. as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Offertory

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharist Prayer I, Enriching Our Worship

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 **Y**ou have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

People **H**oly, 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.

Priest **B**lessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and
show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would
not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation,
abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us
in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in
Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the
way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when
he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out 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 Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your
creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the
Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these
gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Dunstan, Andre, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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 Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Priest Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Priest Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Priest Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

People **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.

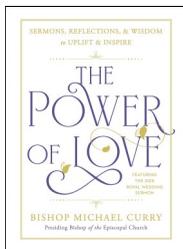
All are welcome to receive the Holy Communion.

The bread is received in the open palm. The wine, if desired, may be taken from the cup by drinking (guide the chalice gently to your lips by the base) or by dipping the bread.

Those who do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you have a wheat sensitivity, you may ask the priest for a gluten-free wafer.

Neighborhood Study Groups Monday Evenings, 7 pm, in Lent



Tomorrow, April 1, and this is no joke, the groups will discuss Bishop Michael Curry's sermon, "Living the Way of Love," preached at the Opening Eucharist of the

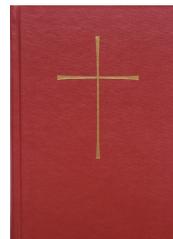
79th General Convention of the Episcopal Church in Austin, Texas, July 5, 2018.

This will be the last of our six group meetings, represented by members living in Carmel Valley, Carmel, Pebble Beach, Pacific Grove, and Monterey. Thank you all for your participation!

Sunday Morning Class:

The Catechism 9 am (Outer Office)

Today we continue our study of the Catechism with special attention given to such subjects as the Church, it's Ministry, Prayer, Worship, and the Sacraments. What are they? What do they mean to me? If you are looking for Episcopal enlightenment, please join us!



Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to [office\(at\)stdcv.org](mailto:office(at)stdcv.org) by midnight Monday.

common thread

spirit, music, food, drink, community

Now the Second Friday each month,
6 pm in Carlyle Hall

**Friday,
April 12**



In our prayers this week. . . .

Sam, Andrew, J.J., Richard, John, Cora, Ross, Victoria, Peter, Ida, David, Jack, Jan, Cecily, Jane, Brad, Kay, Jeanne, Dick, Libby, Daniela, Donna, Yolette, Sarah & Joe, James, Fran, Augie, Daniel, Glenn, Gigi, Beth, John, Nancy, Phil, George, Deborah, Nate, Alan, José-Manuel, Hannah, Aliceon, Chuck, Josh

For the repose of the souls

Glenn Leonoff

Haiti Computer Lab Thriving

Despite significant delays due to weather and civil unrest, and some power supply problems, the computer lab is up and running under the excellent leadership of Haitian computer expert, Davidson Aurestyl. Properly staffing this program was one our highest priorities for this school year. Working together with Rev. Noe, we made this happen.

35 laptops donated by Carmel Unified School District and equipment donated by a tech company were shipped to Hinche last fall. Here is some of what Davidson recently reported:

"We have received much more than we hope. we are waiting for the completion of the layout of the computer room (in the new building) to start with the installation of the LAN. Students from the 2nd grade to 11th grade are using the lab computer, we have a 5MB internet connection with NATCOM. We used TuxTyping for the student from the 2nd grade to 5th grade, the greatest student uses MS Office 2007. We teach the student from 11 to 13 grade computer programming skills, they learn HTML, CSS and C programming. The computers work as good, we have replaced some damaged parts such as hard drive and keyboard. We have 35 Laptops which works very well using WiFi for internet connection."

While much more needs to be done, Rev. Noe and our Haiti Team are pleased.

Parish Beautification Day Saturday, April 13

9 – noon

Our annual Parish Beautification Day will take place from 9 am - noon, Saturday, April 13, 2019; the day before Palm Sunday. The greater the numbers the greater the joy and fellowship! We are sure we can find a task for all volunteers.

We need help in gardening, church cleaning (including window washing), and kitchen cleaning. We'll have lunch together at noon including hamburgers and other donated dishes.

Signup sheets to work or to help provide food are available on the Welcome Table.

Please join us!

Help us know you by

Filling out a Pew Card

If you are visiting us, are new to Saint 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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THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

PARISH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY—FRIDAY, 9 AM—1 PM

Sunday, March 31

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
 9:00 am Sunday Morning Class
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
 Children's Ministries
 7:00 pm AA

Monday, April 1

7:00 pm Lenten Neighborhood Groups

Tuesday, April 2

7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, April 3

10:00 am Holy Eucharist with Healing
 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
 12:30 pm Daughters of the King
 1:00 pm Staff Meeting
 2:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 4

12:00 pm Quilters
 4:00 pm I-Help (meal provided by others)

Friday, April 5

Saturday, April 6

Sunday, April 7

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
 9:00 am Sunday Morning Class
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
 Children's Ministries
 11:30 am Finance Committee Meeting
 Labyrinth Forum
 7:00 pm AA

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

28 Tracy Jones	30 Art Pasquinelli	31 Avery Kasdan
28 Liz Rondelle	30 Niki Tugwell	

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 Shelby Lambert	7 Rachel Mueller	14 Drew Torrice
2 Gene Davis	10 Richard Mueller	15 Daniela Estlin
2 George Lockwood	11 Mel Britton	15 Sarah Wood
2 Hampton Stewart	12 Scott Brown	17 Hannah Priestley
4 Karen Deaton	12 Natalie Stewart	22 Steve Denmark
4 Don Kirk	14 Steve Austin	23 Todd Lueders
6 Mac Moss	14 Susie Carr	28 Melanie Cervi
6 June Parris	14 Donna Rico	



HOLY WEEK

Stations of the Cross booklets will be available in the church Tues–Fri, 9 - 1, for personal reflection.

Palm Sunday, April 14

8 & 10 am Holy Eucharist

Monday & Tuesday, April 15 & 16

5 pm Stations of the Cross & Compline

Wednesday, April 17

10 am Healing Eucharist

5 pm Stations of the Cross & Compline

Maundy Thursday, April 18

7 pm Holy Eucharist with foot washing with & Stripping the Altar

8 pm Watch at Gethsemane begins

Good Friday, April 19

11:25 Organ preludes

Noon Good Friday Liturgy

Holy Saturday, April 20

7 pm The Great Vigil of Easter followed by Agape celebration

Easter Day, Sunday, April 21

8 & 10 am Festival Choral Eucharist

11:30 Easter Egg Hunt & Picnic

Could you not watch with me one hour? The Watch in the Garden of Gethsemane

After the Last Supper, commemorated in the Maundy Thursday liturgy, Jesus took disciples with him to the Garden of Gethsemane where he asked them to watch and pray.

You are invited to sign up to watch and pray for an hour between 8 pm on Maundy Thursday and sunrise on Good Friday, 7 am.

*Sign up today on the Welcome Table.
You may do your watch here in the church building or at home.*

Fill the Church with Flowers For Easter

Flowers are given to the Glory of God and may be given anonymously or in the name of a person you would like to remember or celebrate.



Sign up on the Welcome Table and drop a check with “Easter Flowers” in the memo in the collection plate.

Recommended minimum donation \$20
Last day to make dedications is April 14.



WE HOPE YOU FIND YOURS HERE

Here is a place that is ancient and new, a faith that we hold going back to Jesus, back to his spiritual ancestors, back to those who walked the earth and found holy ground. And what we do is often based on really ancient patterns—worship and music; loving service to the poor, the hurting, the lonely; working for justice and peace; lively, fearless education and formation of minds and souls. And that faith is also completely contemporary, engaged in the culture and the needs of the moment.

WHAT WE ARE FOR

The dignity and worth of every person. An open minded, passionate commitment to truth. The importance of everyone's own spiritual journey. God's friends wherever we find them. Seeking Christ in every person who comes through the door. The sacredness of life's rites of passage. The value of community. The hard work necessary to make sure that all are welcomed. Telling the truth about life's challenges. A "user-friendly" church experience. Children, youth and families. We believe that God is love, and we pray that God will use us to spread that love.

WHAT WE ARE AGAINST

Claiming to have all the answers. Elitism and exclusivism, especially in church. Bigotry for any reason. Authoritarianism. Indifference to injustice and suffering. Certitude in the face of ambiguity and superficial answers to hard questions. Boring sermons, bad music and general cluelessness. (So, God help us, because we don't always avoid these!)

WHAT WE VALUE

Community, open hearts, open minds, open arms. Faith. Fortitude. Staying current, but equally staying rooted in tradition. Reason and honesty. Civic responsibility. Debate that allows for mutual respect. Music and beauty for their own sake. Joy in God's creation. Anyone who makes an effort to get to know and follow Jesus.

WELCOME!

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