



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 1, 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 Prelude and Fugue in A major (BWV 536)
Hymn prelude on *St. Denio*

J.S. Bach
Gerre Hancock

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

People **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day *The people stand or kneel.*

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sirach 10:12-18

A condemnation of human pride, warning that the Lord pulls down the mighty and puts the humble in their place. The root of pride is in the sin of a human refusal to recognize dependence on God. Individuals, especially rulers, and nations that are arrogant will be brought to destruction.

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord;
the heart has withdrawn from its Maker.
For the beginning of pride is sin,
and the one who clings to it pours out abominations.
Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities,
and destroys them completely.
The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers,
and enthrones the lowly in their place.
The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations,
and plants the humble in their place.
The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations,
and destroys them to the foundations of the earth.
He removes some of them and destroys them,
and erases the memory of them from the earth.
Pride was not created for human beings,
or violent anger for those born of women.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112 *Beatus vir*

Blessed are those who are right with the Lord, who revere God and are just and generous to those in need.

- 1 **H**allelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Christians are urged to live moral, hospitable, and charitable lives, recalling the faith and examples of their leaders, but especially the unchanging Jesus. The leaders referred to are the founders of this church who have now died. Jesus Christ, however, remains with his people, in the past, present, and future. Scripture says that God will never forsake us, and, with the Lord as our helper, there is no need to be afraid. Therefore one should be swift to worship, both in the praise of one's lips and by sharing and striving to do good to others.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.

Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.

Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Jesus tells a parable about humility and teaches his host that he should invite the poor and infirm to his feasts. Both the parable and the teaching have a still deeper significance. The reign of God is the Lord's gift, which comes to those who do not presume their place in it. By his actions as well as his words Jesus' ministry shows that the kingdom is open to those who are considered by others to be outcasts. People who share in God's ruling love and justice are to have a transformed attitude toward the poor and needy.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Rev. Joe Patronik

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.

The Prayers of the People *The people stand or kneel*

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Mary our Bishop; Lucinda, our Bishop-elect; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Priest Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

People Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution

Priest *A*lmighty 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 servant *N.* as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Offertory

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Priest *A*ll things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Priest At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, And this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Priest From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Priest Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**People By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.**

Priest And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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

The people stand or kneel.

Priest **A**nd so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Priest Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Priest Lord God of our Ancestors; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:
Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Priest Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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. A period of silence is kept.

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Priest Let us pray.

People **E**ternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest **I**n the name of God and this congregation, I send you forth bearing these Holy Gifts, and pray that those to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. We who are many, are one because we share one Bread and one Cup. In Christ's name. **Amen.**

The Blessing

Priest **L**ife is short.

Henri-Frédéric Amiel (1821-1881)

And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts
of those who travel the way with us.

So be swift to love.

Make haste to be kind.

And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Priest **G**o in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **T**hanks be to God.

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Joe Patronik
Assisting Priest: The Rev. Marcia M. Lockwood

Lay Server: Mac Moss

Lector: Janel Hornbeck



*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
in thanksgiving for the work of our Interim and Rector Search Committees*

*St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church celebrates God's diverse creation
and strives to build an inclusive community that welcomes everyone, no matter age, gender, sexual identity,
culture, ethnicity, economic status, or ability.*

September is Recycling Month

Yes, it is time once again to bring in those things that are difficult to get rid of, particularly:



- Batteries
- Fluorescent Tubes/Bulbs, and
- Printer Cartridges

There will be collection boxes in Brock Hall beginning this Sunday and through the month of September.

Thank you for doing your part to protect *“this fragile Earth, our island home”*.

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!

Women of St. Dunstan’s Book Discussion

Save **Saturday, Sept 7th** from **10 AM until noon** in **Carlyle Hall** for the book review on **“An Altar in the World”**. Written by best-selling author, teacher, and Episcopal Priest Barbara Brown Taylor, the author “shares how she learned to encounter God far beyond the walls of the Church.” And reveals meaningful ways to discover the sacred in the small things we do and see — through simple practices like walking, working, prayer.

Through Taylor’s expert guidance and delicate, thought-provoking prose, we learn to live with purpose, pay attention, slow down, and revere the world we live in.” Come and enjoy discussion and fellowship even if you have not read the book. This special time of reflection will be led by **Kelsey Davis**, our Diocese Curator for Emerging Communities. It will be wonderful to have this time with her!

Weekly Bulletins available electronically

Whether you want to save the environment by using less paper, like the idea of reading on your device, want to see what’s coming up or what is past, our weekly worship bulletins are available as a PDF online at stdcv.org/bulletins



Episcopal Visit, October 13
**Bishop & Bishop-Elect
to Visit St. Dunstan's**

This announcement is an invitation to all adults, and young people, 14-years and older, who are interested. A six week Inquirer's Class will begin during the week of September 1. Those interested should sign up at the welcome table this Sunday. The group, when formed, will decide on a meeting time and date. If you have questions, please address them to Rev. Marcia at 831-277-2469.

Hear Ye!

Rob Feller is giving a reading of his favorite poems and short stories at River House Books, Rio Rd, in The Cross Roads. Sunday, Sept 15th, 2 — 3:30 pm.

Please join us for an afternoon of fun. Refreshments. Thanks!

In our prayers this week. . . .

Sam, Andrew, J.J., Richard, John, Cora, Ross, Victoria, Ida, David, Jan, Cecily, Brad, Jeanne, Donna, Yolette, Sarah & Joe, Fran, Gigi, Nancy, George, Deborah, Nate, Chuck, Josh, Bill, Lawrence, Jack, Natalie, Joanie, Sarah, Steve, Ann, Lauren, Aaron, Michael, Clare, Mel

For the repose of the souls

John Garvan, Sally Riggs Welsh

Haiti Team Treasurer Needed

Our long-time treasurer is retiring. We need someone to help manage the resources of our ministry to St. Andre's School in Haiti. Duties include working with our parish administrator on incoming donations, sending funds to Haiti and reporting financial information to the Haiti Team.

What it takes: Knowledge of Haiti is not needed. Comfort with computer and spread sheets important. Will train.

Compensation: The knowledge you are helping feed and educate hundreds of the future leaders of Haiti.

Questions?

Contact George Lockwood, Kim Murray, Betty Kasson or Rich Hawkins.

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

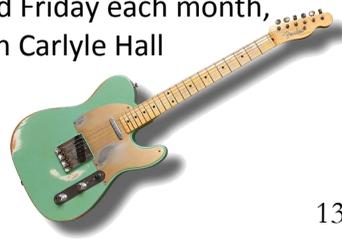
Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to office(at)stdcv.org by midnight Monday.

common thread

spirit, music, food, drink, community

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

**Friday,
Sept 13**



An update from Haiti:

The training seminar for all the teachers of the primary school took place on August 22nd and 23rd, 2019. About fifty teachers had participated in these two days of training. Some of the teachers from the other communal sections say that Saint-Andre's College has to organize seminars more often because they learn a lot and they are well fed during the seminars.

The St-Andre's college closes the summer in demonstration of joy and contentment, the result of the official exams of the 8th grade is 100% of success.

And that of the terminal class is 95% of success, the 5% are preparing for the rework exams next week.

The students of the official classes thank the Reverend Père Noé Bernier, the professors and the foreign supporters who contribute to their success.

Good news: Among the two Laureates for the department we have a student of the Saint-Andre's college.

This Sunday, August 24th we will proceed to a large ceremony of certificate delivery for more than 200 learners of the summer school. It is with this great event that the Saint-Andre's college will close the summer in all beauty.

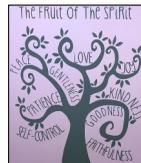
I am sending you the attached pictures of the two days of the training seminar.

Regards,
Davidson

Summer Sunday Children's Ministries

Light and Love: 8 weeks—preschool

Located inside the church hall our Light and Love program is a space where infants and younger children can participate in songs and stories and engage in creative activities while their parents experience the 10 am service. (Infants and children of any age are also welcomed to join their parents in the service if their families prefer it.)



Godly Play: (Preschool age and up)



Based on Montessori principles, Godly Play allows children to explore their own innate spirituality through engagement with stories from the bible. Following the story children are invited to explore their thoughts and ideas through expressive art. A light snack is offered. Following clean up the children rejoin their parents in church to participate in communion together. Sundays 10 am in Carlyle Hall

For more information, contact our
Family Ministry Coordinator at
[elizabeth\(at\)stdcv.org](mailto:elizabeth(at)stdcv.org)

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, September 1

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
 Children's Ministries

 7:00 pm AA

Monday, September 2

Tuesday, September 3

10:00 am Staff Meeting
 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, September 4

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

Thursday, September 5

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

Friday, September 6

Saturday, September 7

9:00 am Forest Fire Tower Assoc Mtg
 9:30 am WSD Book Discussion

Sunday, September 8

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
 Children's Ministries

 7:00 pm AA

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Pinky McCammon	12 JJ Bohlman	19 Lois Kettel
3 Tim Condon	12 Sarah Pease	20 Broden Murray
3 Duncan Murray	14 Michael Carter	23 Ella Duddy
4 Georgia Byrne	14 Juju Lewis	25 Eva Kasdan
7 Marikay Morris	14 Marcia Lockwood	27 Margo Fuselier
8 Ross Quattlebaum	15 Dick Habermann	29 Jan Pina
10 Anthony Healey	18 Judy Hill	
12 Hudson Beiderwell	18 Wren Merrifield	



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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