



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 22, 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 Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

Georg Böhm

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.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Amos 8:4–7

A judgment on social injustice and religious hypocrisy. During celebrations like the New Moon and sabbaths, no work was allowed. Yet traders were so full of greed that they only mechanically observed the festivals and could not wait for them to be over so that they might again swindle the poor. Such offences are also sins against the Lord, and will not be forgotten.

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, “When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat.” The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 113 *Laudate, pueri*

Praise to the Lord on high, who lifts up the weak and lowly. God makes the barren woman a joyful mother.

- 1 Hallelujah!
Give praise, you servants of the Lord; *
praise the Name of the Lord.
- 2 Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, *
from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 From the rising of the sun to its going down *
let the Name of the Lord be praised.
- 4 The Lord is high above all nations, *
and his glory above the heavens.
- 5 Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high *
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
- 6 He takes up the weak out of the dust *
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
- 7 He sets them with the princes, *
with the princes of his people.
- 8 He makes the woman of a childless house *
to be a joyful mother of children.

1 Timothy 2:1–7

Disciples are called upon to pray for all, including political rulers, so that Christians may lead peaceable and moral lives. It is God's will that everyone should find salvation. Jesus is the mediator between the one God and humanity; he has sacrificed himself for the freedom of all. Paul has been appointed an apostle to make his saving work known to the Gentiles. During this period the newborn Christian movement was a tiny part of society and Christians felt that they needed peaceful conditions to spread the gospel. They usually took a positive view of the functions of the state in maintaining peace and justice.

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 16:1–13

The story of the steward who, when dismissed for mismanagement, showed himself to be very shrewd. The joke would be on us if we fastened on the details of the story. The man's obviously dishonest behavior forces us to look more deeply for what is admirable about him—his readiness to face up to reality, together with his unquenchable hopefulness in the face of calamity. This is to be the attitude of Jesus' followers as the kingdom with its time of challenge and judgment approaches. The teaching on money suggests that disciples must know its significance, while never serving it.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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. Marcia M. Lockwood

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.

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 **Al**mighty 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 All 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 Eternal 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.

The Blessing

Priest Life 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 In 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.

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Marcia M. Lockwood

Lay Server: Steve Andrews

Lector: Steve Andrews



AGAPE MEALS

SHARING FOOD, FRIENDSHIP, & FAITH

September 27, 5:30

If you are a young adult and would like to join us in Carmel Valley, please contact Katy at [agapemeals\(at\)stdcv.org](mailto:agapemeals(at)stdcv.org)

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in thanksgiving for Fhakatie Amuchastegui by Steve Andrews

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.

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



Mark your calendar now for the
Stewardship Lunch Event
Sunday, November 10
Palo Corona Regional Park

Our Autumn Stewardship Lunch Event will be on Sunday, Nov 10, at Palo Corona Regional Park (formerly Rancho Cañada) immediately after the 10 am Holy Eucharist. This is a well attended event that brings over 100 of us together to consider our personal commitments to St. Dunstan's and the Godly work that we are about. You will not be asked for any money at this event (that comes the following week with Commitment Sunday). This important event is paid for by a group of parishioners, so it is free to you. Please plan to join us at this popular event in the life of our parish.

Kitchen Pick-up Over-floweth

Your favorite serving dish disappeared? Well of course, it could be gremlins. . . . But have you checked the kitchen here?

There is quite a collection of dishes, travel mugs, serving utensils, in-laws okay maybe not in-laws, but you get the point.

If you have ever brought something to the church you might want back, please look and see if anything there should be at your house. Anything left after the end of the month will be "redistributed".

All women are invited to the
Women of St. Dunstan's Social
Saturday, October 5, 2 - 4 pm

The Women of St. Dunstan's Church invite you to a **Social on Saturday, Oct 5th** at Tracy & Jeff Jones's beautiful home and gardens on Toyon Way in Carmel Valley.

To make it easy for everyone, we are going to **form carpools at the Church at 1:45 PM** to ride over together.

Our goal is to **enjoy each other's company** and have a very short meeting to discuss the "Madrigal Affair", about two months away from that date. No need to bring anything but your smiles.

Questions? Pam Austin, 831-601-2381



5th Sunday Brunch Next Week
Sunday, September 29th in Brock Hall
9 - 9:45 am

Stay after the 8 am service
or come early for the 10 am service
and join us for breakfast.

- Hosted by the Daughters of the King



No Kneelers, No Problem

For many, it is a special thing to kneel when receiving Holy Communion. And our beautiful needlepoint kneelers are showing the 40+ years of love our knees have given them. So while they are away at the Kneeler Spa getting spruced up, know that it is completely acceptable to stand and receive. If you want to kneel on the stone, that's up to you. But no one will judge; least of all God. Besides, you can still bend the knees of your heart.

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!

In our prayers this week. . . .

Andrew, J.J., Richard, Cora, Ross, Victoria, Ida, David, Jan, Cecily, Brad, Jeanne, Donna, Yolette, Sarah & Joe, Fran, Gigi, Nancy, George, Nate, Chuck, Josh, Bill, Joanie, Sarah, Ann, Lauren, Aaron, Michael, Mel, Bob, Roz, Maureen

For the repose of the souls

John Vera, Juan Mijares, Nancy Vout, Ginger Brock

St. Dunstan's Foundation accepting 2019 Grant Proposals

Need funding for your ministry or project?

St. Dunstan's Foundation is now accepting applications for funding through our grant program.



The deadline to apply is September 30th.

Funding is available for church or community needs. Requests for support of community-based projects are limited to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations qualified for tax-exempt status according to the IRS.

Highest priority is given to projects that further the mission of St. Dunstan's Church, seeking to spread the love and grace that is Christ's gift to the world by serving those in need.

Applications available at the church office or by request via foundation@stdcv.org

Let's go camping in Big Sur!

St. Dunstan's Family Camp Trip October 11-12

Santa Lucia Campground in Big Sur!
For details or to reserve your spot, contact Elizabeth Buche
[elizabeth\(at\)stdcv.org](mailto:elizabeth(at)stdcv.org) or 831-402-6375

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”.

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,
October 11**



Sunday Morning Class

9 am in the Outer Office

The Sunday Morning Class is discussing Jordan Hayne Ware’s intriguing book, The Ultimate Quest. Those interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church are welcome to join us.

If you have questions, see Rev. Marcia.

Sign up today to receive

St. Dunstan’s weekly eNews

Getting weekly news, links to sermons, updates, and schedules is as simple as visiting stdcv.org/subscribe and entering your email address.

Full Moon Labyrinth Walks

Peace Calm Restore

On the date of the full moon, walking the labyrinth is a natural time for contemplation. To enrich your walk, Elizabeth Ashton Blackman, Certified Labyrinth Facilitator and Healing Touch Specialist, will give a brief talk about walking the labyrinth and gather again after the walk to close the event.

October 13, 6 pm & November 12, 5 pm

All are WELCOME!

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S
PARISH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY—FRIDAY, 9 AM—1 PM

Sunday, September 22

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Sunday Morning Class
10:00 am Sunday School & Holy Eucharist
11:30 am Youth Group
7:00 pm AA

Monday, September 23

Tuesday, September 24

10:00 am Staff Meeting
7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, September 25

10:00 am Holy Eucharist with Healing
11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
2:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
4:30 pm Confirmation Class

Thursday, September 26

Friday, September 27

Saturday, September 28

9:00 am Rector Search Committee Mtg

Sunday, September 29

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Sunday Morning Class
5th Sunday Brunch (Brock Hall)
10:00 am Sunday School & Holy Eucharist
11:30 am Youth Group
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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