

ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 12, 2020

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 Chorale preludes on *Erhalt uns, Herr*

*Jan Bender &
Dietrich Buxtehude*

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

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

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Isaiah 42:1-9

The mission of the Lord's servant, the one whom God has chosen to bring forth justice and salvation. This is the first of the "servant songs" that form a portion of the Book of Isaiah, written at the time when the exile in Babylon was ending and the city of Jerusalem had begun to be restored. The servant is sometimes thought to be an historical individual, or is understood as an idealization of Israel. Christians see in the servant a prefiguration of the ministry of Jesus, who will become a light to the nations of the world.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29 *Afferte Domino*

The majesty of God is described in the likeness of a mighty thunderstorm.

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
 ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
 worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
 the God of glory thunders; *
 the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
 the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
 the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
 and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
 the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
 the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
 and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD *
 all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
 the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
 the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Acts 10:34-43

Peter recognizes that the good news, which Jesus began to proclaim after his baptism, now extends to all people. At first Peter was slow to believe that God wanted him to bring the word to a non-Jew. But God has revealed this to Peter, and Peter gladly responds to Cornelius, a Roman centurion, together with his family and friends. Peter and the disciples are witnesses to Christ's ministry, death, and resurrection and have been commanded to preach forgiveness of sins through Jesus' name.

Peter began to speak to them:

“I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 3:13-17

The story of Jesus' baptism. John wonders why Jesus should come to him to receive a baptism for the remission of sins, but Jesus tells him that it is right and fitting. After he is baptized, the Holy Spirit is manifest. A voice from heaven proclaims who Jesus is, with words that echo ancient oracles concerning the king and the calling of the Lord's chosen servant.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him.

John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness."

Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

After the sermon a brief silence is kept

The Rev. John Saville

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 *Standing or kneeling.*

- Leader Through our baptism we are joined in Christ as God's beloved children.
As sisters and brothers in the Spirit, let us call God for the needs of the world
and the church, saying: Lord, have mercy.
- For the victory of justice among the nations, and for the outpouring of the
Spirit's gift of peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- People Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader For the liberation of all oppressed and imprisoned, for the preaching of the
liberating gospel, and for reconciliation of all who oppress and persecute others,
let us pray to the Lord.
- People Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader For the healing of all who are gripped by despair and frustration,
and for all who inspire them with hope and joy, let us pray to the Lord.
- People Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader For all in this community to be alive to the call of their baptism, for the newly
baptized, and for all who guide and teach along the way, let us pray to the Lord.
- People Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader For all who in their illness look to us for strength and healing in Christ,
let us pray to the Lord.
- People Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader For all who have died in the expectation of Christ's full victory in their life
and death, let us pray to the Lord.
- People Lord, have mercy.**
- Priest Loving God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as your favor comes upon us,
enlighten us to see those who search for the victory of your love. Make of us
your gracious servants, that the world may rest in your peace and sing your
praises with full hearts and voices, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son and
our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit is one God, this day and forever.
- 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 St. Dunstan's,
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.**

Confession of Sin *Standing or kneeling. Silence may be kept.*

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. 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

○ 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.

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

- Priest After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."
- Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- People Christ has died.**
- Christ is risen.**
- Christ will come again.**
- Priest We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**
- 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 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 Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
- People **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. John Saville
Officiant: The Rev. Marcia M. Lockwood
Lay Server: Janel Hornbeck *Lector:* Anne Proctor



*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
in celebration of Cathy Solms' birthday by Bill Solms*

*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.*

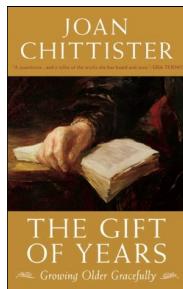
St. Dunstan's Annual Meeting : Next Sunday, January 19; 11:30 am

Plan to stay after church on Sunday, January 19, for our annual parish meeting. Now, you might think "a meeting doesn't sound fun," but this is more of a celebration. We do take care of some important business of the parish — electing vestry, and delegates to convention, for example — but we also hear about all the work we have accomplished, and present the Scalloped Potato and Broken Hammer awards. You certainly don't want to miss THAT!

Sunday Morning Class

9 am in the Outer Office

Our Sunday group has selected The Gift of Years: Growing Old Gracefully, by Joan Chittister, for our next book discussion. Since this is a subject of interest to many of you, we invited you to join us for discussion on Sunday mornings between services at 9 am in the rector's outer office.



You're Welcome on Wednesday!

Come join fellow members for this weekly opportunity to nourish your soul with scripture and prayer, bread and wine. At the very *end* of the service, for those who wish to stay, there is a brief time for prayer requests and healing prayers.

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.

Mosaic to Recognize "Organ Donors"

The long-awaited arrival of our Dobson organ donor recognition art piece will begin Sunday afternoon and continue Monday and Tuesday on the wall behind the fountain to the right of the church door. Our artist, Rachel Rodi and her husband will be installing on Monday and Tuesday. Please make them feel welcome in the best St. Dunstan's tradition! When it's complete, we will celebrate. Watch for further information. A huge thank you to our Donor recognition committee for making this happen!



Share some love!

Order your Handmade 4 Haiti valentines by January 20.

Text, call, or email Corliss
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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





REST is a young adult retreat for all people in their 20s/30s. Our theme is inspired by the ancient sacred practice of Sabbath. We will create intentional space to explore spiritual practices, connect in community and enjoy life together. We will be guided by the Rev. Claire Brown. We will be cared for by spiritual directors & the retreat planning team. We will sleep in cabins under the Santa Cruz Redwoods. We will share meals & silence together. We will reflect on the ancient story of Elijah- an Israelite who found God's voice in a whisper. And you will leave with spiritual practices that will help you honor rest, practice Sabbath, in your own life. We can't wait to rest with you. Visit realepiscopal.org/rest-a-young-adult-retreat for details.

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!

Youth & Family Programs

Nursery: (infant—early preschool)

Located inside the church hall, our Light and Love program is a space where infants and younger children can participate in creative activities while their parents experience the 10 am service.



Sunday School: (Preschool—5th Grade)



Using the Godly Play curriculum which is based on Montessori principles, Godly Play allows children to explore their own innate spirituality through engagement with stories from the bible. The children rejoin their parents in church to participate in communion together. Sundays 10 am in Carlyle Hall.

Youth Group: (6th—12th Grade)

Sunday, Jan 19
Youth Group with dinner in Carlyle Hall
5 o'clock

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, January 12

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Sunday Morning Class
10:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Finance Committee Meeting

Monday, January 13

Tuesday, January 14

11:00 am Staff Meeting
7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, January 15

10:00 am Holy Eucharist with Healing
11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
2:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
4:30 pm Haiti Team Meeting

Thursday, January 16

4:00 pm Vestry Meeting
I-Help (meal by St. Dunstan's)

Friday, January 17

Saturday, January 18

9:00 am Rector Search Committee
4:00 pm I-Help Women (St. Dunstan's)

Sunday, January 19

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Sunday Morning Class
10:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:30 am Annual Parish Meeting
5:00 pm Youth Group

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| 2 Bob Priestley | 17 Joe Heston | 26 Norman Parris |
| 9 Dug Stewart | 21 Charlie Beiderwell | 27 Ashley Blacow |
| 10 Nancy Vera | 22 Duncan Clarke | 27 Jack Enbom |
| 11 Remy Ryan | 22 Ollie Collins | 29 Helena Miller |
| 15 John Greenway | 22 Judy Kirk | 30 Lincoln Talley |
| 16 Brigga Mosca | 22 Cathy Solms | |
| 17 Mary Clarkson | 25 Emma Cuevas | |



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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