



THE DAY OF THE PENTECOST

May 23, 2021

8 am

ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome BACK to St Dunstan's! We are glad you are here!
Please silence your phones and wear your mask while on campus.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Prelude Praise the Spirit in creation (hymn 507) *Julion*
O hieliger Geist (hymn 505) *Geistliche Kirchengesang, 1623; harm. J.S. Bach*
Choral varie sur "Veni Creator" *plainsong mode 8; Maurice Durufle, Op. 4*

Priest *Alleluia!* Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.

Spirit of truth: guide us into all the truth; consume the lies that shroud the world in hate; pray in us with sighs too deep for words; and let the victim's voice ring out with hope for a new world; through Jesus Christ, who goes to the right hand of God. **Amen.**

Acts 2:1–21

This lesson tells the story of the Holy Spirit filling the apostles and empowering them to share the message of the gospel with people of different languages. Clearly this was a most dramatic moment in the life of the early church, an experience described in terms of wind and fire. From this time forward the mighty works of God done in Jesus will be told to all the peoples of the earth, crossing barriers of language and culture.

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

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and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea*

The psalm describes the wonders of the world created and renewed by the Lord's Spirit.

- 25 **O** Lord, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; *
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the Lord.
- 37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

Romans 8:22–27

The apostle Paul understands the whole of creation to be linked with human destiny as we await our redemption. We await our adoption in hope, dependent on the indwelling Spirit of God who intercedes for us in all things in ways we cannot achieve for ourselves.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

John 7:37-39a

Jesus offers himself as a spiritual rock from which living waters will flow for all who will believe and drink.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out,

“Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, ‘Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.’”

Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Rev. Laurel Coote

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.**

Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified.

Who 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

from Intercessions for the Christian People

The people stand or kneel

Leader In the peace of the risen Christ let us offer our prayers to the Lord, saying:
Hear us, Lord. Alleluia!

The Spirit of peace has been breathed on the church.

May the church inspire peace throughout the world. And to this let us say:

People Hear us, Lord. Alleluia!

Leader Our land has completed the passover from winter into spring.

May the earth be restored to the freshness of creation. And to this let us say:

People Hear us, Lord. Alleluia!

Leader The Lord has appeared on Sinai amid fire and wind. May all people,
Jew and Gentile together, climb the holy mountain and see the face of God.
And to this let us say:

People Hear us, Lord. Alleluia!

Leader The confusion of Babel has been undone with the gifts of Pentecost. May our
community mature in wisdom as we come to understand the language of the
Spirit. And to this let us say:

People Hear us, Lord. Alleluia!

Leader Our week of weeks is accomplished. Our Fifty Days are complete. May all of us,
both the living and the dead, be raised into the splendor of endless Easter. May
we hold up before God's all in any kind of need, especially: [N.], and those we
name now silently or aloud. May our gracious and loving God receive into the
glory of eternal life those who have died, [N.]. and those we name now silently or
aloud.

Priest Creator God, our lenten ashes have become life-giving fire. We are whole and
new again. Help us, like the disciples in Jerusalem, to spill out into the streets to
proclaim your wonderful works. This we ask through 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 **M**ost 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 **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.*

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

Eucharistic Prayer B

Priest In this time of the pandemic, when the community of faith cannot gather together, we remember the Last Supper of Jesus with his friends, and we give thanks for the gift of the Holy Eucharist that was given to us on that night—a gift that we hold all the more precious in these days when we cannot share the bread and the wine.

Yet even in the absence of this sacramental sharing, the mystical union between Christ and his church, and among all of us as members of Christ's body, remains unbroken. And so, mindful of this deep bond of the Spirit, let us unite ourselves to Christ and one another, as we celebrate 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. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in 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 We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

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, according to his command, O Father,

People **We remember his death,**
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory

Priest And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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 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.

Remain in place in your pew, and the Priest or Eucharistic Minister will come to you.

Please keep your mask on with your hands extended to receive the Host.

The bread is received in the open palm.

Once the Minister has moved away,
you may remove one side of your mask, consume the Host, and replace your mask.

Those who prefer to receive a blessing may indicate this by
crossing their arms over their chest.

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

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.

The Blessing

Priest **M**ay the Spirit be the storm that shakes the foundations, the leap of new fire, which turns oppression to ash; may her wildness seduce us with holy desire; and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Priest **A**lleluia! Alleluia!

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

People **T**hanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Organ Postlude Kyrie! Heiliger Geist

J.S. Bach

After today's postlude, the ushers will dismiss the people from the back of the nave to the front.



*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Dorothy Lenora Ecker Hansen by Joe & Beth Heston*

*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.*

Farewell Steve Denmark

Today we bid farewell to Steve Denmark, our Director of Music and Organist, who moved to Maryland during the pandemic to be near his family there. It has been our good fortune that working virtually we have been able to have him with us until now. While we are certainly sad he will no longer be part of St. Dunstan's, we can give thanks to God for sharing him with us these many years. And we celebrate that he is able to be close to his daughter, son-in-law, and new grandson.

Stick around today for a special (and musical) coffee hour at 11 o'clock to visit with Steve and to hear him playing the Dobson Op 94 that he was so instrumental in creating.

So we will say « au revoir » or perhaps even « à bientôt » but not good bye.



Dedicate Altar Flowers

This is a lovely and meaningful way to give Glory to God in celebration of a birthday, or in thanksgiving, or in memory of a loved one. The cost of the flowers is \$20, but some give more. Checks should be made out to St. Dunstan's with "Altar Flowers" in the memo.

You can check available Sundays on our Master Calendar at stdcv.org/calendar. (hint: if you see ". . ." before "The Altar Flowers", that Sunday is available.)

Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests

For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel [via email](#) or on her cell [310-562-5746](tel:310-562-5746). And you can always leave a message on the Pastoral Care line at church [831-624-6646](tel:831-624-6646) ext 5.

Our Daughters of the King chapter welcomes your prayer requests in this time when many are in crisis. Please email the DOK's [Elizabeth Buche](#), who manages the Daughters' prayer list. The Daughters pray for members of our parish and for many other individuals on a daily basis.





Zoom Discussion Group Sundays, 9 am

Yes, there will be discussion group this Sunday! It will be held on Zoom, as usual. Given that many may not be able to attend for the whole hour due to in-person worship, please come for any amount of time you can. This week we will remain on Acts 5-8 and answer the corresponding questions on pages 53-58 of the study guide.

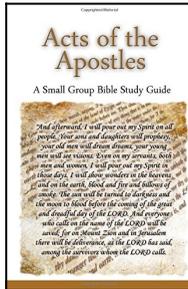
All are welcome!

Feel free to join us at any time.

The book we are using (in conjunction with your Bible) is Acts of the Apostles by Ted LaFemina.

If you have any questions please contact Rebecca at (510) 755-4661 or superbeck@protonmail.com.

Join Zoom Discussion Group
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89077277480>
Meeting ID: [890 7727 7480](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89077277480)



Zoom Compline Tuesdays, 8 pm

15 minutes to give thanks to God for the day that is past and placing our hope and faith in God for the night.

We are currently using the Order for Compline from the New Zealand Prayer book, which can be downloaded at stdcv.org/bulletins.

Join Zoom Compline
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85070384899>
Meeting ID: [850 7038 4899](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85070384899)

Zoom Coffee Hour

Sundays, 11 am

Zoom Coffee Hour will return next week. Feel free to drop in or drop out when you can.



Join Zoom Coffee Hour
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88459890111>
Meeting ID: [884 5989 0111](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88459890111)

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

PARISH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY—THURSDAY, 9 AM—12 NOON

Appointments are no longer necessary, but you are still welcome to schedule one if you like.

Please continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing when you visit.

Sunday, May 23

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Zoom Discussion Group
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:00 am Coffee Hour Celebration of Steve
Drive-Through Communion

Monday, May 24

Tuesday, May 25

- 8:00 am Staff Meeting
- 7:30 pm AA
- 8:00 pm Zoom Compline

Wednesday, May 26

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist

Thursday, May 27

Friday, May 28

Saturday, May 29

Sunday, May 30

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 - 9:00 am Zoom Discussion Group
 - 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
 - 11:00 am In-Person Coffee Hour
Zoom Coffee Hour
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View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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| 2 Alma Swiers | 12 Carol Habermann | 23 Bill Solms |
| 4 Cameron Talley | 15 Sheila Hiebert | 23 Star Reierson |
| 7 Victoria Clark | 15 Melissa Pavloff | 24 Bill Harness |
| 7 Robin Harness | 18 Carlos Pina | 30 Marge Taylor |
| 8 Richard Chastain | 19 Julie Tomlin | 31 Dottie Little |
| 9 Aga Simpson | 21 Ray Hiebert | |
| 11 Kathy Lueders | 23 Zealyn Roth | |

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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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