

Song of Praise S266 A Song to the Lamb

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

Introduction *Antiphon*

Splen - dor and hon - or and
king - ly power are yours by right, — O Lord our God,
1. Splen - dor and hon - or and king - ly power are yours by right, —
— O Lord our God, 2. For you cre - a - ted ev - ery - thing that
is, and by your will they were cre - a - ted and have their be - ing. [Ant.]
3. And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, for with your
blood you have re - deemed for God, 4. From ev - ery fam - ily, lan - guage,
peo - ple, and na - tion, a king - dom of priests to serve our God. [Ant.]
5. And so, to him who sits up - on the throne, and to Christ the Lamb, 6. Be
wor - ship and praise, do - min - ion and splen - dor, for ev - er and for ev - er - more.
[Ant.]

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.

Alpha and Omega, our beginning and our end, you break through the locks of gated communities and hardened hearts: accept our doubts, heal our desire for certainty and, by your Spirit's gentle touch, make us a people forgiven and forgiving; through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace. **Amen.**

Acts 5:27-32

The apostles are brought before the council of religious authorities in Jerusalem and again commanded to cease teaching in the name of Jesus. Peter and the apostles claim a higher authority, and proclaim that the executed Jesus is their exalted Leader and Savior, offering forgiveness to Israel. The apostles and the Holy Spirit must bear witness to Jesus.

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

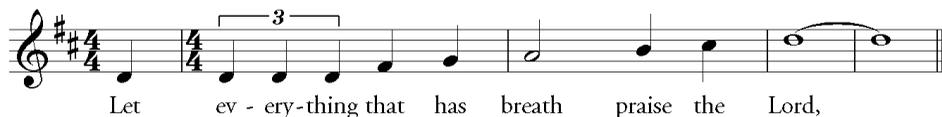
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 150 *Laudate Dominum*

St. Martin's Psalter

A song of praise and rejoicing in which all that has breath is invited to join.

Cantor then the people sing the antiphon



1 Hallelujah!

Praise God in his holy temple; *
praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts; *
praise him for his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; *
praise him with lyre and harp.

The people sing the antiphon

4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; *
praise him with strings and pipe.

5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; *
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

6 Let everything that has breath *
praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

The people sing the antiphon

Revelation 1:4-8

John the Seer addresses seven representative churches in Asia Minor with a hymn of praise to Christ, the firstborn from the dead and now ruler of all. The resurrected Jesus frees disciples from their sins and makes them a kingdom of priests serving his God and Father, the One who is and was and is to come.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

Alleluia

John Karl Hirten

The Alleluias are first sung by a Cantor, then repeated by all.



The proper verse is sung by a Cantor:

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.

Then all repeat the Alleluias twice more.

John 20:19-31

Two appearances of the risen Lord to his disciples. The first takes place on the very evening of the day of his resurrection. The disciples are gathered in fear, but Jesus brings them peace, gives them their mission, and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. A week later, Thomas, who had been absent when Jesus first appeared and who doubted his resurrection, now knows Jesus by his wounds and worships him as his Lord and God. Future disciples will not have Jesus' physical presence, but they will be blessed in their belief.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Alleluias are sung twice more



All are seated

The Sermon

The Rev. Mary Lou McKenney

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

The Nicene Creed *All Stand.*

New Zealand Prayer Book

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became fully human.**

**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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
and 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*

Form 3

Leader **F**ather, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Leader For the communities of St. Dunstan's and St. Andre's in Haiti;
Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader We pray for peace in the world, for the people of Ukraine and for those who are helping them; We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The people may add their own petitions.

Priest Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that we who celebrate with awe the Paschal feast may be found worthy to attain to everlasting joys; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Silence may be kept.

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 **T**hrough the cross of Christ,
God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **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,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem Now the Green Blade Rises

arr. Hal Hopson (b. 1933)

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been:

*Love is come again
like wheat that springeth green.*

In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
thinking that never he would wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:

Refrain

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:

Refrain

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
thy touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

Refrain

Offertory Hymn 209 We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight

St. Botolph

est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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."

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.**

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
 People **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.
 Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Fraction Anthem Christ our Passover (*Mass of St. Columbia*) Thaddeus P. Cavuoti (b. 1955)
Sung first by the Choir and repeated by All.



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Priest Draw near and receive the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ
 in remembrance that he died for us.
 Let us feed on him in our hearts, by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive communion. The table we set is the Lord's. Wherever you find yourself on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive the Holy Communion.

The bread is received in the open palm.

If you choose to receive the cup, gently guide the chalice to your lips by touching the base.

Those who prefer to receive a blessing, or who choose not to receive the cup,
 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**tternal 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 **I**n the name of the true and living Holy One,
 who made us for love,
 who saved us by love,
 and who loves us still. **Amen.**

Processional Hymn 193 That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

Puer nobis

Priest 

Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ, al - le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia.

People 

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Postlude Puer nobis

Nicolas Lebègue (1631-1702)

The people are invited to listen and observe silence during the postlude.

All are welcome to enjoy fellowship with one another outside the church during coffee hour.

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
& in memory of Michael Clark by Tracy Haack & Chandler Clark*



*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.*



Kentucky Derby

The Run for the Roses

Saturday, May 7, 2022
2:00 - 4:30 PM
St. Dunstan's Courtyard*

* (It's closer than Churchill Downs!)

(Post time: 4:00 PM)

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



THE 8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 21, 2018

Psalm 119:105
Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

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Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests

For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel revlaurel@stdcv.org or on her cell 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 110.

Our Daughters of the King chapter welcomes your prayer requests. Prayer requests may be sent to dok@stdcv.org. The Daughters pray for members of our parish as well as many others daily.

Bundle a Bunny is Back!

Nancy's Project is doing another Easter/Springtime diaper drive to assist our farm labor families confronted with rising prices for disposable diapers and baby wipes. These costly items are family essentials and hard to purchase on tight budgets. Any size donated diapers would be great, but our families are especially in need of **diapers size 4 and up**.



We're collecting during the entire month of April.

Drop off locations: St. Dunstan's Nancy's Project shed; the Mid Valley UPS Store; or the Carmel Valley Library. **Thank you!**

Composting and Recycling

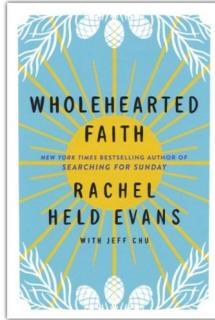
There is a new compost tub in the kitchen that can be used to collect compostable items that can then be taken to our composter outside.



For more information about that "whats?" and "hows?" of recycling and composting, look for the posted fliers in the kitchen. Thank you for helping us comply with these new requirements.

Discussion Group Sundays, 9 am

This week we resume our discussion of Wholehearted Faith by Rachel Held Evans.



We are now meeting in the Guild Room.

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Or you can join us via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9109922704>

Meeting ID: 910 992 2704

More info? Speak with Janel Hornbeck.

Help us get to 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!



Helping Ukraine

One way you can help the people of Ukraine is through our own Episcopal Relief & Development office. The ERD does good work all around the world, all the time. And you can rest assured that the money will be used as intended. Give today at episcopalrelief.org

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.

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to office@stdcv.org by midnight Sunday.

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.

Sign up on the Welcome Table

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 Shelby Lambert	7 Rachel Mueller	17 Hannah Priestley
2 Gene Davis	9 Laurel Coote	19 Mark Read
2 George Lockwood	10 Richard Mueller	22 Bobby Clampett
2 Hampton Stewart	11 Mel Britton	22 Steve Denmark
4 Karen Deaton	12 Scott Brown	23 Todd Lueders
4 Don Kirk	12 Natalie Stewart	26 Lauren Leonoff
5 Sue Peccianti	14 Susie Carr	28 Melanie Cervi
6 Mac Moss	14 Donna Rico	
6 June Parris	15 Mark Olsheskie	

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THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, April 24

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Discussion Group
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, April 25

5:30 pm Zoom Compline

Tuesday, April 26

11:00 am PEO
3:00 pm Staff Meeting
7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, April 27

10:00 am Holy Eucharist
11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, April 28

4:00 pm Vestry Meeting

Friday, April 29

Saturday, April 30

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
4:00 pm I-Help Women

Sunday, May 1

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
8:30 am Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Discussion Group
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
11:00 am Coffee Hour

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MAY BIRTHDAYS

2 Alma Swiers	12 Carol Habermann	23 Star Reiersen
2 Alex Dickerman	13 Theo Lagier	23 Zealyn Roth
4 Cameron Talley	15 Sheila Hiebert	23 Bill Solms
7 Robin Harness	15 Melissa Pavloff	24 Bill Harness
8 Richard Chastain	18 Carlos Pina	27 John Dickerman
9 Aga Simpson	19 Julie Tomlin	30 Marge Taylor
11 Kathy Lueders	21 Ray Hiebert	31 Dottie Little



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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