

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY January 14, 2024 10 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. Thank you for silencing your cell phones.

THE LITURGY 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 Amazing Grace

Mark Haves

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 550 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult

Restoration

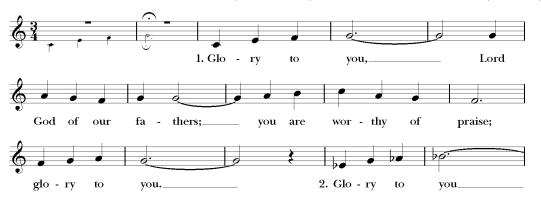
Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

All 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.

Gloria S236 Benedictus es, Domine (Canticle 13)

John Rutter (b. 1945)







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.

Summoning God, inviting us to see what we find so hard to notice - the blinkers we wear, the lies we accept: as we are held in your gaze, may our faith awaken to see your kingdom growing and heaven open wide; through Jesus Christ, son of Joseph. **Amen.**

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Samuel learns that it is the Lord who is calling to him. Three times the boy Samuel misunderstands and thinks that it is his mentor Eli summoning him during the night. Finally Eli realizes it must be the Lord, and tells Samuel to be ready for the prophetic word that will be spoken to him.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

With marvelous wisdom God alone perceives the heights and depths of life.

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; * you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; * your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, *
 while I was being made in secret
 and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; *
 they were fashioned day by day,
 when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *

to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Paul is required to criticize a misguided understanding of Christian freedom that has been adopted by some of the Corinthians. "All things are permitted me," is what some are saying, and evidently then interpreting their freedom in Christ to mean that they are so "spiritual" they can join with a prostitute without doing any harm. But our bodies, Paul contends, like all the rest of us, have now been dedicated to Christ. They are temples of the Holy Spirit through which we may glorify God.

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 488 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

Slane

John 1:43-51

The story of Philip and Nathaniel becoming disciples of Jesus. Nathaniel first doubts that the one whom Moses foretold could come from the virtually unknown town of Nazareth. But Jesus astounds Nathaniel by telling him what normal sight could not have disclosed. He then promises Nathaniel that he will have his own still greater vision, a heavenly revelation of the Son of Man as an intermediary between heaven and earth.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Laurel Coote

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Priest The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Presenters We present Elin Louise Rosen to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presenters We present Emma Callie Anderson to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

To the Parents and Godparents:

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that Elin and Emma are

brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Presenters I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help them grow into the full

stature of Christ?

Presenters I will, with God's help.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness

that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and

destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of

God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

To the Church:

Question Will you who witness these vows do all in your power

to support Elin and Emma in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Priest Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ

and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant All Stand.

Priest Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Priest Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Priest Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Priest Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? **People I will, with God's help.**

Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Leader Let us now pray for Elin and Emma, who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth. Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Priest blesses the water, first saying

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Priest We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

The candidates are presented by name to the Priest who then pours water upon the candidates, saying

Priest Elin; Emma, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

Then the Priest places a hand on the child's head, anointing their forehead with the sign of the cross and saying

Priest Elin; Emma, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

People Amen.

Then the Priest presents a candle representing the light of Christ.

Priest Elin; Emma, receive the light of Christ.

People Amen.

When these actions have been completed for the candidates, the Priest prays over them, saying

Priest Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon Elin and Emma the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

When all have been baptized, The Priest says

Priest Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All We receive you into the household of God, confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

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 LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

During the setting of the table a collection is taken to support the life and ministry at St. Dunstan's. The people's offerings of bread, wine and money or other gifts will be brought to the priest. The people stand while the offerings are presented. Offerings may also be made online at www.stdcv.org

Priest Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Anthem Let Us be Bread

Thomas J. Porter

Refrain: Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, broken and shared, life for the world.

Let us be wine, love freely poured.

Let us be one in the Lord.

I am the bread of life, broken for all. Eat now and hunger no more.

Refrain

See how my people have nothing to eat. Give them the bread that is you.

Refrain

As God has loved me so I have loved you. Go and live on in my love.

Refrain

Offertory Hymn 707 Take my life and let it be

Sicilian Mariners

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.

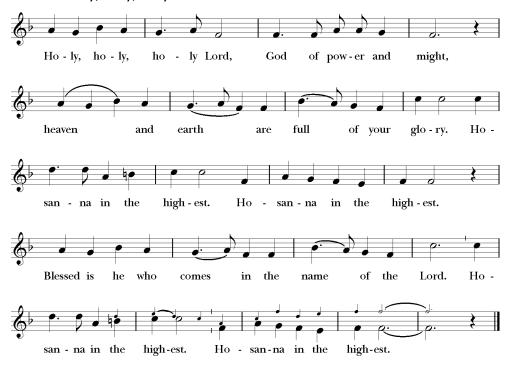
Priest From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

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:



The people stand or kneel.

Priest And 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."

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem 876 The disciples knew the Lord Jesus Burnam



Priest These are the Gifts of God, given for you, God's beloved. So come and receive. It is the Lord who invites you and His will that those who desire him, should meet him here.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who come in faith seeking a deeper knowledge and love of Jesus Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Come forward to receive the bread in your open palm.

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

At this time, we are not able to allow dipping the wafer into the chalice.

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. You may have communion brought to your seat by notifying an usher.

Communion Hymn 335 I am the bread of life

I Am the Bread of Life

The Prayer After Communion

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.

All stand for the blessing and dismissal

The Blessing

Priest May the Spirit's love,

flowing like water across the face of the earth, fill you with every gift for the good of the world.

And the blessing of God, Eternal Source, Fountain of Life, and Giver of Gifts, be with you always.

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Benediction Medley

Mark Hayes

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

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The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God

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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.

Welcome this week's guest pianist

Teruyo Petrocilli

Welcome to St. Dunstan's Teruyo! Thank you for helping lead us as we worship in song.

Calling All Ministry Team Leaders!

The Annual Meeting is just around the corner! Please submit your annual report to the church office, stdunstanschurch@gmail.com, by January 22nd. Thank you!

Call for Vestry and Convention Delegates

As we head into 2024, it is time to herald the call for Vestry and Convention Delegate Nominations. Now is the time to prayerfully consider if God is calling you to serve in a leadership role at St. Dunstan's. You can pick up the official **Vestry and Convention Delegate Nomination Form on the welcome table**, which should be submitted for anyone wishing to be nominated and considered for one of these leadership positions. We will be seeking to fill two (2) Vestry positions, and Five (5) Convention Delegate positions. The form contains all information required and is due by **January 22, 2024**. The nominating committee confirms eligibility of each proposed nominee and willingness to serve if elected, then prayerfully discerns, and proposes the recommended slate of nominees for the open positions.

If you want to know more about possibly serving on the Vestry or as a Delegate, please don't hesitate to reach out to any Vestry Member, or to Rev. Laurel.

2024 Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, February 4th 10:30 am

Following the 9am service bring your coffee and light snack and return to the sanctuary for our Annual Meeting! This is an opportunity to celebrate the year behind us and begin the work of the year to come.

We will also take care of some important parish business — electing some new vestry members, and delegates to convention, for example — but we also hear about all the work we have accomplished and to see how far we have come this last year! We will also present the Scalloped Potato and Broken Hammer awards. You won't want to miss it!

I-Help next Thursday, January 18th

Look for the Sign-Up sheet on the welcome table to bring in food for the men's dinner on the 18th. We appreciate your contributions!

Thank you from the I-HELP Team

Deadline for eNews, Bulletin

Items for our eNews and Sunday Bulletin should be submitted to stdunstanschurch@gmail.com by midnight Monday.

Children's schedule for January

January 14 Children in Church

with their parents—

Baptisms!

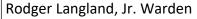
January 21 Sunday School in Brock Hall

January 28 4th Sunday Family Service.

Children participate in the service.

St. Dunstan's Vestry

Jack Enbom, Senior Warden



Duncan Clarke

Tracy Jones

George Lockwood

Rebecca Miller

Susan Pitts

Jean Scholefield

John Tomlin

Michelle Wilsdon

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Pastoral Care & Prayer Requests

For pastoral concerns, contact Rev. Laurel <u>revlaurel@stdcv.org</u> or on her cell 310-562-5746. And you can always leave a message on the Pastoral Care line at church <u>831-624-6646</u> 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.

Help us get to know you by Filling out a Pew Card

If you are visiting us, are new to St. Dunstan's, or if your contact information has changed, please fill out a Pew Card and drop it in the collection plate. Thanks!

Wonder what's going on at St. Dunstan's?

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.

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 \$30, 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.



Join us for Baptism cake during coffee hour today!

If you would like to host coffee hour on a Sunday please sign up on the Welcome table.

THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN TUESDAY - THURSDAY 9AM -1PM

Sunday, January 14

8:00 am Holy Eucharist **8:30** am Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am The Path Bible Study Ch. 13 **10:00 am** Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

11:00 am Coffee Hour

Monday, January 15

Office Closed

Tuesday, January 16

5:00pm Zoom Compline

5:30pm The Path Bible Study Ch. 13

7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, January 17

10:00am Conversation & Communion

Holy Eucharist

11:00am The Path Bible Study Ch. 13

11:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, January 18

9:30am Discipleship Group

4:00pm I-Help Men **4:00pm** Vestry Meeting

Friday, January 19

Saturday, January 20

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

10:30 am Haiti Team Meeting

Sunday, January 21

8:00 am Holy Eucharist **8:30 am** Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am The Path Bible Study Ch. 14

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

11:00 am Coffee Hour

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

9—Dug Stewart 22—Ollie Collins 30—Lincoln Talley

11—Remy Ryan22—Cathy Solms15—John Greenway26—Norman Parris17—Joe Heston27—Jack Enbom22—Duncan Clarke29—Helena Miller

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