

# **EASTER DAY**

March 31, 2024 10am

# Welcome to St Dunstan's! We are glad you are here!

Please silence cell phones at this time.
Please join us for an Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt immediately following the service.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The congregation is invited to observe silence during the prelude out of respect for those who wish to pray.

**Preludes** Baroque Composers of the "Chapels Royal"

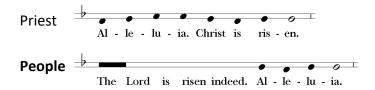
Clarke, Greene, Purcell, Boyce Greq Smith, Trumpet

All Stand

Processional Hymn 207 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Easter Hymn

The Easter Acclamation is chanted three times.



## **Resurrecting the Alleluias**

# Glory to God—Hallelujah Chorus

See insert in pew

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Remain standing

# The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

#### All are seated

#### Isaiah 25:6-9

A prophetic hymn envisioning the day of the Lord's salvation. The prophet uses a rich banquet as an image for the time of festival. It takes place on the mountain of the Lord's temple, Mount Zion, where heaven and earth figuratively meet. This great feast will be for all people, and even the power of death will be overcome.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The congregation joins the choir in singing the refrain at the beginning, and after verses 15, 17, and 23



- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous.
- 16 The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! The right hand is exalted.
- 17 I shall not die but live, and declare the works of the Lord.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

#### Acts 10:34-43

Peter realizes that the good news of the gospel is meant for all people, and he proclaims the crucified and risen Jesus. At first Peter was slow to believe that God wanted him to bring the word to a non-Jew. But God has shown this to be the divine will, and Peter gladly responds to Cornelius, a Roman centurion, together with his family and friends. The risen Jesus has appeared to chosen witnesses, and all who trust in him receive forgiveness of sins in his name.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "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.**All stand.

Gradual Hymn 208 The strife is o'er, the battle done

Victory

#### John 20:1-18

The discovery of the empty tomb and Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene. While it is still dark, Mary comes and finds that the stone used to cover the tomb has been moved away. She runs and brings Peter and another disciple whom Jesus loved. Although no human eye catches sight of Jesus' rising from death, these first witnesses see the discarded grave wrappings and the other disciple perceives and believes. Mary remains weeping at the graveside and talks with a man she assumes to be the gardener. He speaks her name, and she knows her Lord.

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

#### People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me

where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated

**The Sermon**The Rev. Laurel Coote

After the sermon a brief silence is kept.

#### The Nicene Creed All Stand.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

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.

Standing or kneeling.

#### The Prayers of the People

Intercessions for the Christian People

Leader Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! At this the heavenly choirs of angels rejoice, the earth exults, and mother church is glad. Therefore I ask you, who praise the loving-kindness of almighty God, to join in prayer for all of God's people, and for all people everywhere according to their needs. That all may know the benefits of the paschal victory of Christ, we pray, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader Almighty and merciful God, we give you thanks for those who have come through the waters of rebirth into the promised land of your eternal kingdom. Guide all your baptized people who struggle to know and to do your will in the kingdoms of this world, that by their lives they may show forth the new life in Christ to all nations. Lord, in your mercy,

#### People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks for those who struggle for peace and justice in the world. Guide their efforts, that they may act with prudence and vision to plant the signs of your dominion in the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

#### People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks that Mary Magdalene found healing in the encounter with the risen Christ. Give wholeness and peace to all those in need: the sick, the unloved and the forgotten, the poor and the hungry, the dying and the bereaved. Lord, in your mercy,

#### People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks for the abiding presence of your Son in the word and sacrament. As we feast this Easter Day on the true bread from heaven, set our minds on things above, that we may gain a new perspective on the things that are on earth. Lord, in your mercy,

#### People hear our prayer.

Leader We give you thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith, who now rest from their labors awaiting the resurrection to eternal life.

May we, like them, remain faithful to the end and share in the fruits of the victory of Christ, the paschal lamb who takes away the sin of the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

#### People hear our prayer.

Priest Hear our prayers on behalf of those for whom we pray, and give us peace in this time of our paschal rejoicing, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen and exalted Lord.

#### 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.

All are seated.

### **Easter Greeting & Welcome**

#### 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 Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

#### Offertory Anthem Come, ye faithful

R.S. Thatcher

Come, ye faithful raise the strain
Of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought his Israel
Into joy from sadness;
'Tis the spring of souls today,
Christ hath burst his prison,
And from three days sleep in death
As a sun hath risen.

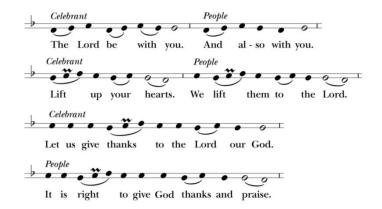
Now the queen of seasons bright With the day of splendour, With the royal feast of feasts, Comes it joy to render; Comes to glad Jerusalem Who with true affection Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesu's resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, Nor the tomb's dark portal, Nor the watchers, nor the seal, Hold thee as a mortal; But today amidst the twelve Thou didst stand bestowing That thy peace which evermore Passeth human knowing.

#### Offertory Hymn 205 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!

Gelobt sei Gott

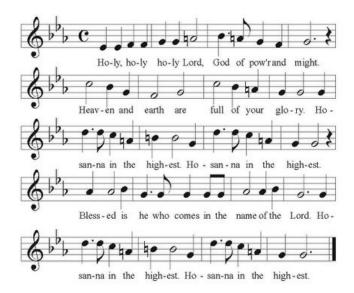
# The Great Thanksgiving



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; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:



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."

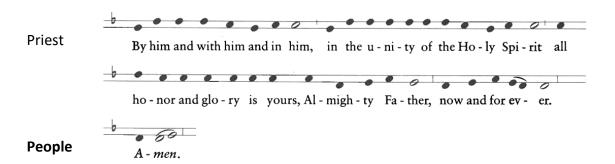
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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.



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

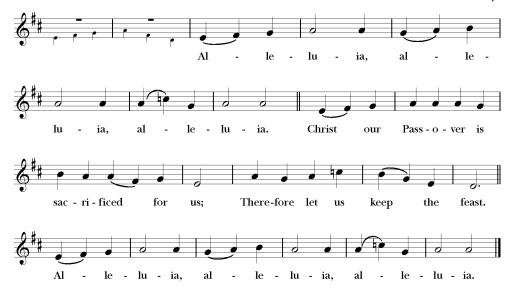
People Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

#### Fraction Anthem S155 Christ our Passover



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.

#### 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.

Now the green blade rises 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 arising green.

In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain, Thinking that he would never wake again, Laid in the ear like grain that sleeps unseen; Love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, He that for three days in the grave had lain; Raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen; Love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our heart are wintry, grieving or in pain, Your touch can call us back to life again, Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been; Love is come again like wheat arising green.

**Communion Hymn 178** Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. *Alleluia No. 1 All stand.* 

#### **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

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.** 

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.** 

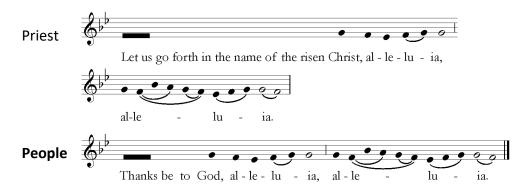
May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.** 

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

#### Closing Hymn 199 Come ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

#### Dismissal



Postlude Toccata (from Symphony V)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

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

# The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Memory of Merilyn & Bud Hobbs and Donna & George Jones by Jeff and Tracy Jones

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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.



# Happy Easter to You!

We're so glad you joined us today for our Easter Celebration, and we hope to see you again! If you are new to the community and would like to keep up with life and activities at St. Dunstan's, simply complete a pew card with your email and contact info and place it in the offering plate.

Special Thanks to....

### Fred Burgomaster & Greg Smith

For inspiring us with glorious music through organ and trumpet!

And to the **St. Dunstan's Choir** for their dedication to our Music Ministry!

# Easter Lilies are given to the glory of God by

John and Julie Tomlin in loving memory of Ralph and Irene Hickcox, Jim and Margaret Tomlin

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Jackie Wendland in loving memory of Rev. Mark Wendland

Joe and Beth Heston in loving memory of Doug Hansen

Rev. Laurel and Peter Coote in loving memory of our parents, siblings, and loved ones

Susie Carr in loving memory of Grandpa Don Carr and Tyler Carr

Bill Solms in honor of Cathy Solms on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sue Peccianti in loving memory of Glenn & Betty Delay

Bill and Robin Harness in loving memory of Ruben Ruybal

> Grace Merrill in loving memory of Dick Merrill

Ray and Terri Brown in loving memory of

Patricia Tyndall

# THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 31

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am Easter Service Holy Eucharist

(live-streamed)

11:00 am Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt

Monday, April 1

Office Closed

Tuesday, April 2

Office Closed 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, April 3

**Office Closed** 

**1:30pm** DOK Meeting

Thursday, April 4

**Office Closed** 

Friday, April 5

Office Closed

Saturday, April 6

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, April 7

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

**9:00 am** The Path Bible Study Ch. 20

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)

11:00 am Coffee Hour

View the entire parish calendar  $\underline{\text{stdcv.org/calendar}}$ 

# **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

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2 George Lockwood	7 Rachel Mueller	17 Hannah Priestley
4 Karen Deaton	9 Laurel Coote	17 Liliana Rosen
5 Sue Peccianti	11 Mel Britton	22 Bobby Clampett
6 Mac Moss	14 Susie Carr	23 Todd Lueders
6 June Parris	15 Mark Olsheskie	26 Lauren Leonoff
		28 Melanie Cervi