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  Prelude No. 1  Bach

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 427  When morning gilds the skies  Laudes Domini

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.

Song of Praise  S236  Benedictus es, Domine (Canticle 13)  John Rutter (b. 1945)

1. Glory to you, Lord
2. God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise;
3. glory to you.
_ for the ra - diance of your ho - ly Name;_ we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er._

3. Glo - ry to you______ in the splen - dor of your tem - ple;____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to you._______

4. Glo - ry to you, se - at - ed be - tween the Cher - u - bim;____ we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er._

5. Glo - ry to you,____ be - hold - ing the hold - ing the depths;____ in the high vault of depths;____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
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.

Divine love, undaunted by death and fear, who went to the depths to bring back life: in the power of the cross shape a people of service, breaking bread for a hungering world; through Jesus Christ, the true food.

Amen.

*The people are seated.*
1 Kings 2:10–12; 3:3–14

Solomon assumes the throne of his father David and asks for an understanding and discerning mind to govern God’s people. Because Solomon’s request is not for riches and honor, God, in this dream vision, grants him a wise and discerning mind. God promises, if Solomon will walk in the ways of the Lord, to lengthen the days of his kingship.

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?”

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both
riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.”

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People  Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111
This psalm is an outpouring of praise for the majesty and graciousness of the Lord, who redeems the people of God.

1 Hallelujah!
   I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
   in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! *
   they are studied by all who delight in them.
3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
   and his righteousness endures for ever.
4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
   the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
5 He gives food to those who fear him; *
   he is ever mindful of his covenant.
6 He has shown his people the power of his works *
   in giving them the lands of the nations.
7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
   all his commandments are sure.
8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *
   because they are done in truth and equity.
9 He sent redemption to his people;
   he commanded his covenant for ever; *
   holy and awesome is his Name.
10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
   those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
   his praise endures for ever.
Ephesians 5:15–20

The new Christians at Ephesus are bid to live wisely and, glad with songs, to give thanks for everything to God. Instead of following drunken ways, symbolic of all kinds of foolish behavior, they are to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Because the time is in the grip of evil, opportunities to do the will of the Lord must be used to the full.

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People  Thanks be to God.

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

John 6:51–58

Jesus speaks of the flesh and blood of the Son of Man as the bread from heaven which must be eaten in order to share in the life of the eternal age. Previously in this gospel the bread of life had seemed to signify Jesus’ teaching and his presence. Now it is given still more significance with the understanding that the believer may share deeply in the life of Jesus and his self-offering. This experience is enacted in the Holy Communion.

Priest  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise
them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

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, 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**  
*Form VI*

*The people stand or kneel*

**Leader**  
In peace, we pray to you, Lord God

*silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**People**  
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

**Leader**  
For this community, the nation, and the world;

**People**  
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

**Leader**  
For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People**  
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression.

**Leader**  
For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People**  
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

**Leader**  
For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People**  
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

**Leader**  
For our Presiding Bishop, Michael; our Bishop, Lucinda; and for all other ministers. We pray especially today for our Presiding Bishop-Elect, The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, that he may be blessed with the gifts of your Holy Spirit and grow in strength, wisdom and courage as he prepares to lead us forward in love and unity.

**People**  
For all who serve God in his Church.
Leader  For the needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray today especially for;
Hear us Lord;
People  For your mercy is great.

Leader  We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
Silence
The people may add their own thanksgivings

Leader  We will exalt you, O God our King;
People  And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader  We pray for all who have died, especially, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People  Who put their trust in you.

Priest  Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession
Let us pray to God for the forgiveness of our sins.
Silence may be kept.
People  Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution
Priest  Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace  All stand.
Priest  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People  And also with you.
The people exchange the peace with one another.

Announcements All are seated

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, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Solo Valse Op. 34 No. 2 Chopin

Offertory Hymn 445 Praise to the Holiest in the height Gerontius

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer 1

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 our thanks and praise.

Priest It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:
Priest  Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. 
You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. 
You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.
On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out 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  Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Dunstan, Andre and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

Prayers for yourself or another are available during Communion by a member of the Daughters of the King in the back of the church near the Sacristy door.

Communion Hymn 325 Let us break bread together on our knees

Communion Hymn Eat This Bread

To be sung 4 times

Let Us Break Bread

Jacques Berthier

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.
Or Jesus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hunger.”

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”

Jesus Christ, risen Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.”
The Prayer After Communion

*All stand or kneel.*

**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

*All Stand*

**Priest**  Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those
with whom we travel the way, so be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.
And may the Blessing of God, who made us, loves us, and travels with us, be
with you now and forever more. Amen.

Recessional Hymn 376 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee    Hymn to Joy

Dismissal

**Priest**  Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People**  Thanks be to God.

Postlude Songs without words, Op 19 No. 1    Mendelssohn
come. explore. serve. be.

Come walk with us in faith and friendship. Share our desire to explore our relationship with God and support one another. Join us to make a difference in our world and serve those who need compassion and help. Be yourself among us.

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.

Welcome this week’s guest pianist

Margaret Counihan

Welcome back to St. Dunstan’s Margaret! Thank you for helping lead us as we worship in song.
Today is Foundation Sunday at St. Dunstan's!

The mission of the St. Dunstan’s Foundation is to ensure the long-term health of St. Dunstan’s Episcopal Church and our greater community by encouraging legacy giving and growing our endowment funds. St. Dunstan’s Foundation is committed to supporting organizations and projects that will positively contribute to the well-being of our community and the world.

We stand in solidarity with our neighbors, and are stewards of the gifts we have been given, so that we may share them generously in ways that encourage, empower and transform lives. In keeping with our commitment to serving others as instruments of God’s grace and peace, the Foundation supports community projects aligned with our calling by Jesus to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Annual distributions from our endowments may also support the Church in a variety of ways.

You may be wondering what is the benefit of giving to our Foundation rather than giving directly to the charity of your choice. Your donation to the St. Dunstan's Foundation allows us to be recognized in the community as an active and giving church.

To learn more about the St. Dunstan's Foundation, and how you can help us grow and serve our neighbors, contact Jackie Wendland, our V.P. of Development at foundation@stdcv.org

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Children's schedule for Summer

Activity clipboards and children’s books can be found in a basket at the back of the church.

Sunday School will resume September 8th. Happy Summer!
Adult Faith Formation

“Come share our desire to explore our relationship with God and support one another.”

Beginning September 8th, all are invited to join a small group and take a deep dive into the Gospel of Luke. Our texts will be the NRSV Bible alongside “Luke for Everyone” by N.T. Wright. Dr. Wright, a renowned New Testament scholar and Anglican bishop has the mind of a scholar and the heart of a pastor. His book will guide us through the world of the New Testament, explaining the ideas and events that shaped the gospel writer’s account of the life of Jesus. Breaking down the gospel of Luke into brief, easy to study segments (one chapter per week), Wright will show us how Luke’s message speaks powerfully to our contemporary faith journeys.

Sign up sheets will be available and sample books will be on display during coffee hour through August, and group facilitators will be available to answer any questions. Meeting times will be the same as they were for our previous Bible Study.

“Luke for Everyone” can be ordered from Amazon or your local bookstore. Book scholarships are available.

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 suggested donation is $30. Checks should be made out to St. Dunstan’s with “Altar Flowers” in the memo.

Sign up on the Welcome Table.
**J2A Fall 2024 Schedule**  
*Middle School through High School Youth*

- September 8th—Ice Cream Social:  
  After 10am Service at St. Dunstan’s

- September 28th Offsite: 10am-1:30pm,  
  Beach Cleanup, Escape Room & Lunch

- Sunday October 27th Meeting:  
  4pm-5:30pm,  
  J2A Curriculum at St. Dunstan’s

- Saturday November 9th  
  10am-1pm,  
  Introductory Blacksmithing & Lunch  
  at Hacienda Carmel

- December 7th Christmas Cookie Baking:  
  4pm-5:30pm,  
  J2A Curriculum & Baking Cookies,  
  at St. Dunstan’s

- December 8th Cookie Sale:  
  After 10am Service at St. Dunstan’s

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- Jr. Warden—Jackie Wendland
- Duncan Clarke
- Jack Enbom
- Sheila Hiebert
- Tracy Jones
- Carol Langland
- George Lockwood
**This Week at St Dunstan’s**

Parish office is open Tuesday - Thursday 9am –1pm

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