



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 10, 2024
8 am

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

St. Dunstan's acknowledges that the land on which we gather, and which we steward, is the historic territory of the Rumsen and Esselen peoples, who cared for this land throughout the generations. We give thanks for their strength and resilience in protecting this land, and aspire to uphold our responsibilities according to their example.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

Priest Blessed be Our God.

People For ever and 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.

People Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day *The people stand or kneel.*

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

God of fierce justice, you close the mouth of those who devour the poor and hide behind their prayer: humbled by the giving of those who have so little let us live from your abundance; through Jesus Christ, the judgement of God.
Amen.

The people are seated.

1 Kings 17:8–16

God miraculously provides food for the prophet Elijah and the widow of Zarephath and her family. There is famine throughout the land, which Elijah has prophesied because of the sinfulness of King Ahab. The story shows that God is present to care for his prophet and also for this woman who, though a foreigner, has shared with Elijah what little she has. The word of the Lord is powerful to fulfill its promise even beyond the borders of Israel.

The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, “Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146

A hymn to the Lord, who forms the world and rules in justice, who heals and cares for the orphan and widow.

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul! *

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.

7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

9 The LORD shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

Hebrews 9:24–28

Christ, the eternal high priest, has entered into the heavenly sanctuary to present the ultimate and perfect sacrifice of himself for sins. It is the author's theme that Jesus has superseded the need for all other priestly offerings such as were made annually on the Day of Atonement. These were never more than foreshadowing of what Christ was to accomplish. The earthly temple, which was but a copy of the true sanctuary in heaven, is no longer of significance. As the end of the ages draws near, our brother Jesus, who died like we must, appears before God on our behalf and will appear once more to save those who wait for him.

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All Stand.

Mark 12:38–44

Jesus warns against religious officials who love honors and flattery, and he then points out a poor widow who makes an offering of what little she possesses. Together the two stories stress a theme found often in the gospels: those who think themselves religious are in great danger of living a life of hypocrisy, while genuine trust in God may be found among the least obvious. The religious officials take advantage of people like widows, and wealthy persons make a show of giving large sums of money, but the woman herself is an example of the greatest generosity. Her gift of all she has points forward to Jesus' self-offering.

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

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

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." 4

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

All are seated.

The Sermon

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,
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified,
He 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

Leader In peace, and faith, let us offer our prayers, saying "Lord hear our prayer"

Silence

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Leader For our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Bishop, Lucinda; all ministers, and for all of the people of God, let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Leader For peace and tranquility, and the salvation of all, let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Leader For the right use of the riches of creation; that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and suffering, let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Leader For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger, especially victims of natural disaster, discrimination and violence, let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Leader For this congregation, that we may be freed from hardness of heart and be bearers of your glory in all we do. We pray today especially for our memorials committee, who through their generous hospitality and welcome help to care for families in their time of loss, let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Leader For those who are suffering in body, mind or in spirit, and are in need of healing and restoration. We pray *especially* for, and those we name now either silently or aloud:

Silence

Leader Let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Leader For all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray *especially* for, and those we name now either silently or aloud. Let us pray;

People Lord hear our prayer.

Priest Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession

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

Silence may be kept.

People Most 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 Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, through Jesus Christ our Lord, and strengthen you to live in the power of the Holy spirit all your days.
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 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Psalm 50:14

All stand

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him thanks and praise.

Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**People Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All stand or kneel.

Priest We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

Priest And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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.

All stand or kneel.

The Prayer After Communion

Priest Let us pray.

People God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

All Stand

Priest May God grant you the serenity to accept the things you can not change, the courage to change the things you can, and the wisdom to know the difference. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and guide you on your way. **Amen.**

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God.

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



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.

The Holiday Season is here!

This Holiday Season there are several ways to share our abundance with others near and far. Four of our St. Dunstan's ministries are offering these opportunities:

- **Nancy's Project (11/17-11/24) – Thanksgiving food drive** - non-perishable items--peanut butter, tuna, canned chicken and ham, beans and rice, vegetables, pasta and cereal are good choices. Items may be dropped off in Brock Hall or brought to church on Sunday and placed in the baskets in the breezeway.
- **Daughters of The King (11/17 - 12/1):** collecting gifts and monetary donations for The Salvation Army's Adopt-A-Family program. We are sponsoring a local family and you can find their needs on a signup sheet in the breezeway starting 11.24
- **Haiti – St. André's School (11/24 –12/22):** setting up a Giving Tree to feed children at St. Andre's school in Hinche. A \$50 donation feeds one child for an entire school year and adds a shiny red ornament to our tree.
- **I-HELP (12/1 – 12/15) –** collecting \$20 cash gifts for the men and women in the program. I-Help supports sobriety and the homeless. Look for the info sheet and donation envelopes on the welcome table 12/8 and 12/15.

We invite your participation & thank you for blessing our neighbors during the holidays!

Adult Faith Formation

Luke Bible Study continues this week with Chapter 9



Sunday November 10—9:00am
Tuesday, November 12—6:00pm
Wednesday, November 13—11:00am

Save the Date!

Join us for a special

**Thanksgiving Coffee Hour
November 24th**



Join us after the 8am and 10am services
for an array of delicious food!

If you would like to contribute to this
special Coffee Hour please sign up on the
Welcome Table.

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!

J2A Fall 2024 Schedule
Middle School through High School Youth

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

Questions? Contact Cody Voorhees -
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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.

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Getting weekly news, links to sermons, updates, and schedules is as simple as visiting stdcv.org/subscribe and entering your email address.

Children's schedule

November 10—Children in church with their families
November 17—Sunday School in Brock Hall
November 24—Children in church with their families. Thanks
giving Reception Coffee Hour

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



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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.

St. Dunstan's Vestry



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THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, November 10

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Luke Bible Study, Ch 9
- 9:00 am Montessori School Open House
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:30 am Coffee Hour
- 11:30 am Montessori School Open House

Monday, November 11

Office Closed

Tuesday, November 12

- 10:00am PEO Meeting
- 5:30 pm Luke Bible Study, Ch. 9
- 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, November 13

- 10:00 am Conversation & Communion
Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 11:00 am Luke Bible Study, Ch. 9
- 4:30pm Zoom Compline

Thursday, November 14

- 9:30 am Bible Study Facilitators Meeting
- 3:00pm Finance Meeting

Friday, November 15

Saturday, November 16

- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 2:00 pm Mutual Ministry Review

Sunday, November 17

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Luke Bible Study, Ch 10
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:30 am Coffee Hour

View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 1—Janel Hornbeck | 14—Pam Gallaway | 24—Kent Saunders |
| 1—Cynthia Young | 14—Chloe Lama | 27—Mike Cervi |
| 6—Larry Davidson | 18—Nick Leonoff | 28—Janet Morse |
| 6—Barbara Greenway | 18—Jackie Wendland | 30—Pam Lawrence |
| 6—Beth Heston | 21—Betty Kasson | |
| 9—Ramona Smith | 22—John Tomlin | |

Sermon Notes