



ST. DUNSTAN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE 19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 29, 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 "If thou but suffer God to guide thee" (Hymn 635)
(from *Schübler Chorales*)

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

All stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 509 Spirit divine, attend our prayers

Nun danket all und bringet Ehr

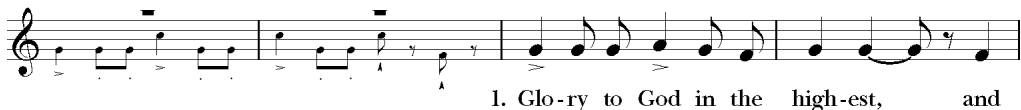
Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.


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 S278 Glory to God

William Mathias (b. 1943)





praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you




take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



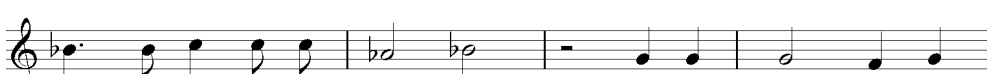
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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.

God of welcome, your people are called to be distinct not by width of separation but depth of hospitality and peace within our lives: root out our resentment and free us to welcome all who work for life and liberation, whatever path they tread; through Jesus Christ, the companion of many ways. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Esther 7:1–6, 9–10; 9:20–22

Queen Esther, by wisdom and providence, turns the tables and saves her people. Israel is in exile in Persia, where a Jewish woman is taken into the king's harem and is eventually made his queen. One of the king's advisors, Haman, makes a personal vendetta into a persecution of the entire Jewish people. This story of sorrow turned into gladness, set during the reign of Xerxes I (King Ahasuerus 486–465 bce), is celebrated in the Jewish festival of Purim.

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-- and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai,

whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124

A hymn of thanksgiving for deliverance.



Refrain

- 1 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;

Refrain

- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.

Refrain

6 Blessed be the LORD! *

he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

Refrain

James 5:13–20

An affirmation of prayer and the power of forgiveness in all circumstances. Prayer should characterize the lives of the suffering and joyous alike, and those who are sick should seek the intercession of the church leaders. The community of believers is to strive for the restoration to faith of any who have strayed.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Mark 9:38–50

Jesus bids his disciples to accept all who seek to do good in his name and to deal ruthlessly with whatever part of themselves causes sin. Early Christians were doubtless faced with people outside their communities who said they were acting in Christ's name. The tolerant answer given here suggests that Jesus' followers must avoid arrogance and be open to God's divine actions. On the other hand, it is a serious matter to lead a believer astray. The counsel to destroy offending parts of the body is exaggerated to make clear the importance of avoiding various sins. The description of hell is drawn from the garbage dump outside Jerusalem.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

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.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Priest The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Presenters We present Paul Spiridon Hejlik to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

To the Parents and Godparents:

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that Paul is brought up in the
 Christian faith and life?

Presenters I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help him to 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 Paul in his 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 Candidate

Leader Let us now pray for Paul, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.
Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring him 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 forever. **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 candidate is presented by name to the Priest who then pours water upon the child's head, saying

Priest Paul, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

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

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

People Amen.

The Priest presents a candle representing the light of Christ.

Priest Paul, receive the light of Christ.

People Amen.

When these actions have been completed for the candidate, the Priest prays over him, saying

Priest Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon Paul the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him 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 Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem For the Beauty of the Earth

John Rutter

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for love which from our birth over, and around us lies,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,

For each perfect gift of thine to the world so freely given,
graces human and divine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,

Folliot Sandford Pierpoint

All stand

Offertory Hymn 545 Lo! What a cloud of witnesses

St. Fulbert

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1—EOW

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.

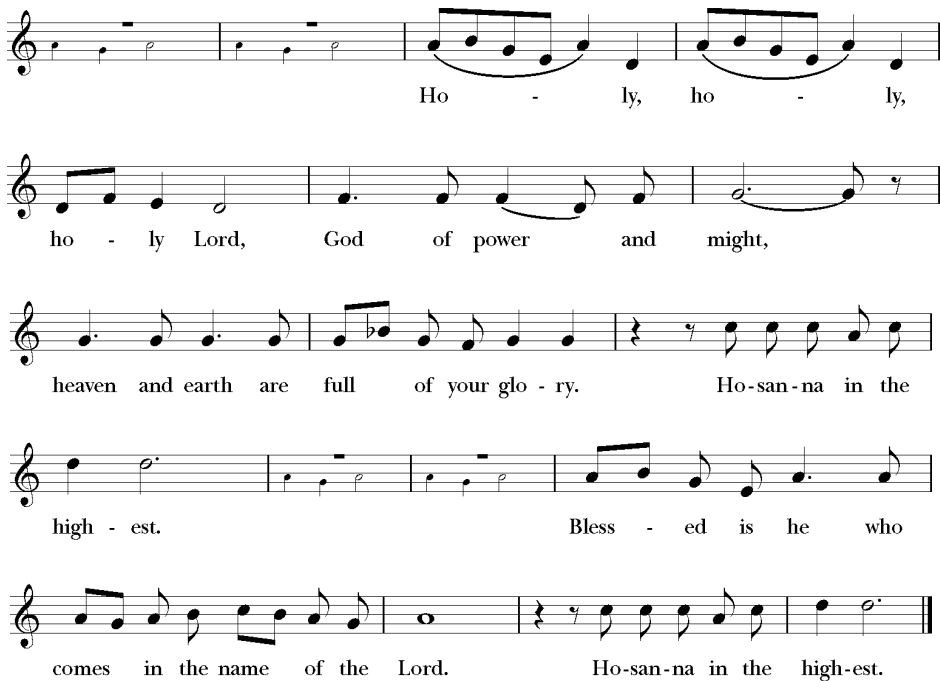
Priest It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks,
all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

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:

Sanctus S128 Holy, holy, holy Lord

William Mathias (b. 1934)



Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The people stand or kneel.

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Fraction Anthem 165 Jesus, Lamb of God

William Mathias (b. 1934)



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.



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 635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee

Wer nur den lieben Gott

All stand or kneel.

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.

The Blessing

All Stand

Priest The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you, this day and evermore. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 347 Go forth for God; go to the world in peace

Litton

Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude The Archbishop's Fanfare

*Francis Jackson
(1917-2022)*



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
and in Memory of Doug Hansen by Joe and Beth Heston*

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

Thank you to
Jennifer Lama and
Elizabeth Buche for
providing baked
goods for coffee hour today!



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

Service of Committal - Beverly Dekker Davidson

TODAY, September 29th at
12noon, we will hold a short
Service of Committal for
Beverly Dekker Davidson, who died in 2022.
Beverly was the beloved wife of parishioner,
Larry Davidson. All are welcome to gather in
the Columbarium Garden at 12:00pm as we
bid her to her final resting place.



Adult Faith Formation

***Luke Bible Study continues this
week with Chapter 2***

Sunday September 29th—9:00am

Tuesday, October 1st—6:00pm

Wednesday, October 2nd—11:00am



J2A Fall 2024 Schedule

Middle School through High School Youth

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

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

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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!

Children's schedule

September 22—4th Sunday Service, children participate in the service

September 29—Baptism! Children in church with their families

October 6—Blessing of the Animals, Outdoor Service

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



THIS WEEK AT ST DUNSTAN'S

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

Sunday, September 29

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Luke Bible Study, Ch 3
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (live-streamed)
- 11:30 am Coffee Hour

Monday, September 23

Office Closed

Tuesday, October 1

- 5:30 pm Luke Bible Study, Ch. 3
- 7:30 pm AA

Wednesday, October 2

- 10:00 am Conversation & Communion
Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 11:00 am Luke Bible Study, Ch. 3
- 1:30 pm DOK Meeting
- 4:30 pm Zoom Compline

Thursday, October 3

- 9:30 am Bible Study Facilitators Meeting
- 12:00 pm Quilters Group

Friday, October 4

Saturday, October 5

- 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 6

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View the entire parish calendar stdcv.org/calendar

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

October 1	Jessica Pavloff	October 19	Chuck Vout
October 3	Barbara Simmons	October 22	Joshua Pavloff
October 5	Sawyer Borlik	October 26	Rio Merrifield
October 16	Ollie White		

Sermon Notes