May 14, 2023: The Sixth Sunday of Easter Rogation Sunday

10:30 a.m.: Service of Holy Eucharist with Children's Chapel



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Welcome to St. Dunstan's

Our Vision:

Guided by Jesus' love, we strive to create a community where all are welcomed, cherished, nourished, and inspired to act on that love and be stewards of all that God has entrusted to our care. (Adopted 2022)

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Thank you for choosing to worship at St. Dunstan's this morning! We are a community of seekers doing our best to live authentically and faithfully in this challenging and complicated world. If this is your first time here, please fill out a **visitor form**, found on the Welcome Table in the entry hall, and help yourself to a **welcome tote bag** as a token of our gratitude that you have joined us today. We are blessed by your presence and hope to see you again.

Children are *always* welcome here! They are invited to begin the service with their parents and then depart for **Children's Chapel** with Miss Amy after the Opening Collect; they will return in time for Communion. There also are coloring sheets on the round table between the glass doors, as well as books and soft toys at the back of the church. Rest assured: We are delighted by the "joyful noise" that children inevitably make, *and* don't worry if you feel you need to take your child out of the service for a few minutes. Please make yourself and your family at home!

Restrooms are located in the hallway by the glass doors.

While **masks** are currently not required for the fully vaccinated inside the building, please be guided by your own comfort; masks are available on the Welcome Table, if needed.

Please wear a **name tag**. Permanent name tags are on the board as you enter the church. If you don't yet have a permanent tag, please use a stick-on badge until we can make you an official one.

Unless otherwise indicated, music for this morning's **hymns** may be found in the blue *Hymnal 1982* in your pew rack.

The Holy Eucharist

The Rogation Sunday Liturgy

Our service begins on the **patio by the glass doors** at **10:30** for a brief liturgy for **Rogation Sunday**. Following the readings, the congregation is asked to follow the crucifer into the church, singing the processional hymn. If mobility is an issue, feel free to wait in the church for the service to begin at about 10:35.

Sometimes

David Whyte (1955–)

Sometimes if you move carefully through the forest,

breathing like the ones in the old stories,

who could cross a shimmering bed of dry leaves without a sound,

you come to a place whose only task

is to trouble you with tiny but frightening requests,

conceived out of nowhere but in this place beginning to lead everywhere.

Requests to stop what you are doing right now, and

to stop what you are becoming while you do it,

questions that can make or unmake a life,

questions that have patiently waited for you,

questions that have no right to go away.

from Of the Snail & its Loveliness

Once, I saw a snail so small so young its shell was still transparent.

I stopped to look—I had the time to see a thing unseen before a tiny flute.

a ghost of white that swayed within the sleeping shell, marking time so faithfully.

Little snail, you'll never know what happened outside as you dreamed.

I watched your small heart's beating & called my love to come & see. Victoria Adukwei Bulley (1991–)

The Place I Want to Get Back To

is where in the pinewoods in the moments between the darkness and first light two deer came walking down the hill and when they saw me they said to each other, okay, this one is okay, let's see who she is and why she is sitting on the ground, like that, so quiet, as if asleep, or in a dream, but, anyway, harmless; and so they came on their slender legs and gazed upon me not unlike the way I go out to the dunes and look and look and look into the faces of the flowers: and then one of them leaned forward and nuzzled my hand, and what can my life bring to me that could exceed that brief moment? For twenty years I have gone every day to the same woods, not waiting, exactly, just lingering. Such gifts, bestowed, can't be repeated. If you want to talk about this come to visit. I live in the house near the corner, which I have named Gratitude.

To the Holy Spirit

Hymnal, 400

O Thou, far off and here, whole and broken, Who in necessity and in bounty wait, Whose truth is light and dark, mute though spoken, By Thy wide grace show me Thy narrow gate.

> The Celebrant beats and opens the church doors. The congregation follows the crucifer into the nave, singing.

The Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn

"All creatures of our God and King," vv. 1, 4, 5, and 7





Opening Acclamation

Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
People	The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God,

and People 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.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray: Eternal God, light of the minds that know you, joy of the hearts that love you, strength of the wills that serve you; grant us so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may gladly serve you, now and always, **Amen.**

Please be seated ..

Children are invited to depart with Miss Amy for Children's Chapel.

The Lesson: Acts 17:22-31

Lector A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. *People* Thanks be to God.

Please stand and join in reciting the Psalm responsively.

Psalm 66:7-9, 14-18

Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard;

God holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip.

For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.

Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what God has done for me.

I called out to God with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue.

If I had found evil in my heart, God would not have heard me;

But in truth God has heard me and has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld steadfast love from me.

Remaining standing, please join in singing.

Sequence Hymn

"O Jesus, crowned with all renown"

Music: Hymnal, 292

O Jesus, crowned with all renown, since thou the earth hast trod, thou reignest and by thee come down henceforth the gifts of God. Thine is the health and thine the wealth that in our halls abound, and thine the beauty and the joy with which the years are crowned.

Lord, in their change, let frost and heat, and winds and dews be given; all fostering power, all influence sweet, breathe from the bounteous heaven. Attemper fair with gentle air the sunshine and the rain, that kindly earth with timely birth may yield her fruits again:

that we may feed the poor aright, and, gathering round thy throne, here, in the holy angels' sight, repay thee of thine own: That we may praise thee all our days, and with the Father's Name, and with the Holy Spirit's gifts, the Savior's love proclaim.

The Gospel: John 14:15-21

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

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Deacon	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you Lord Christ.

Please be seated at the homilist's invitation.

The Homily

Deacon Mary Sebold

After a moment of silence, please stand, as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

CelebrantWe believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,and Peoplemaker 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 worshiped 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 Intercessor and People pray responsively.

Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

In the beginning, **God was.**

Here and now, **God is.**

In the future, **God will be.**

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it. God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed. God, Giver of life, Hear our prayer

Hear our prayer.

Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being. God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits. God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings. We thank you today for the graduation yesterday of *Amy Cardin* from The Catholic University of America.

God, Giver of life, Hear our praver.

Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this community who desire or need your presence and help, especially: *Loris, Michael, Joyce, Wesley and his family, Phil, Jimmy, Barbara, the Dawoud Family, Ann, Marietta, Kenny, Louisa, Michael, Doug, Ben, Paul, Patricia, Joyce, Carol, Juanita, Theresa, Marylouise, Lou and Barbara, Ann, Curt, Katie, Karen, Michael, Carl, Bridget, Claire, Jane, Katherine, Katie, Laura, Matt, Michael, Mike, Nancy, Ross, Rosy, Todd, Yafatou,* and those we now name, aloud or in our hearts:

Pause for prayers of petition and intercession

God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died, especially: *Carmine Smith* (mother of Nancy Douglas), and *the victims of the shootings in Allen, Texas.* We also pray for those we now name, aloud or in our hearts:

Pause for prayers for the departed

God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant continues

Loving God, on this day on which we honor the mothers and mother figures in our lives, we pray:

for mothers who have given us life and love; for women who, though without children of their own, like mothers have nurtured and cared for us; for mothers who have been unable to be a source of strength, comfort, and protection for their children; for mothers who have lost a child; for all those for whom this day is painful; and for mothers who have died, whom we now name, silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers for departed mothers

Enlarge our vision of life, O God, and make us bold in our hope: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let our cry come to you, **Amen**.

The Peace

Celebrant	May the peace of the Risen Christ be always with you!
People	And also with you!

Please greet one another in the Name of Christ and then be seated.

Welcome

Celebrant Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

At the Offertory

Touch the Earth Lightly

Diane Atherton, soprano

S. E. Murray

The Rector

Thank you for supporting the mission and ministry of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church! If you would like to make an offering this morning, you may place it in the Offertory bag as it is passed. Please also feel free to mail a check to the Parish Office.

The Holy Communion

Please stand as the Offering is brought forward and join in singing.

The Doxology

Music: Hymnal, 380

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. **By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace. **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



Please remain standing for the Great Thanksgiving during Eastertide, as you are able. And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

Celebrant and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Hagar, and Sarah; Isaac and Rebekah; Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation, **AMEN**.

And now, as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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

A period of silence is kept.

CelebrantAlleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant These are the Gifts of God, for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died – and lives – for you, and feed on them in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving, **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Communion

All are invited to receive the Sacrament in one or both kinds. Consecrated wine is available from the chalice (sipping only) or in individual cups. Gluten-free Communion bread is also available upon request. Please place your used Communion cups in the bowl at the back.

Those worshiping online are encouraged to pray these words of Spiritual Communion: In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you, and, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Music during Communion

Come and Find the Quiet Center

Words: S. E. Murray Tune: attr. B.F. White

Diane Atherton, *soprano*

Remaining seated, please join in singing. "My God, thy table now is spread"

Music: Hymnal, 321

My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow; be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests; and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless number let them come and gather from their Father's board the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.

Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

The Postcommunion Prayer

CelebrantLet us pray: Loving God,and Peoplewe give you thanks for restoring us in your image and
nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of
Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people,
forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love
to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our
Savior, Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant

Life is short, and we haven't much time to gladden the hearts of those with whom we walk this earth. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And may the blessing of God be upon you and remain with you, and all those you love, from this day forth and forevermore, **Amen**.

Closing Hymn

"Now thank we all our God"

Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us! With ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next. Music: Hymnal, 397

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven, eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be, evermore.

Please be seated following the hymn. Announcements (see pp. 21-22)

Please stand for the Dismissal.

Deacon	Let us go forth in the Name of Christ! Alleluia, Alleluia!
People	Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Fantasia in D minor

Hexin Qiao, organ

J. Pachelbel

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The flowers adorning the Altar this morning are given by **Patty and Randy Alexander,** to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for their son, **Peter Roberts Alexander**, in honor of his twentieth birthday this week.

Serving Today

Celebrant: The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander

> **Deacon and Preacher:** The Rev. Mary N. Sebold

Musicians: Diane Atherton and Hexin Qiao

Altar Guild: Marsha Barnes, Ann Johnson, and the Rev. Mary Sebold

> Flower Guild: Trudy Surut

Greeter: Donna Alvarez

Livestream Minister: Andrew Alexander

> **Crucifer:** Lynne Leonard

> Lector: Lynne Leonard

> **Psalm Leader:** Ray Donnelly

Intercessor: Sue Carroll

Ushers: Walter Douglas and Nils Overdahl

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> **Barista:** Fred Smoak

Snack Angels: Pam Ostuw Claire Owen

Vestry Member of the Day:

Walter Douglas

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Announcements

Today at St. Dunstan's:

- + Fellowship Time: Please stay to share a cup of coffee or tea and a snack in Founders' Hall following the service. If you are visiting with us today, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the clergy, who will be delighted to welcome you!
- + **The Path AheadSM:** In honor of Older Americans Month, this special series on the spirituality of aging continues today at **12 noon** in the **Parish Hall.**
- + Community Children's Chorus: Children and youth of all ages are invited to stay after worship today for rehearsal from 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Nave.
- + **"We are risen!":** Please take a few minutes to enjoy the latest "Nave Gallery" installation by **Liturgical Artist-in-Residence Sue Carroll.** The exhibit will be on display throughout the Great Fifty Days of Easter.

This Week:

+ Wednesday, May 17, 10:30 a.m.: Bible Study on Matthew (Zoom) Please see the newsletter for Zoom login credentials.

Looking ahead:

 Next Saturday, May 20, 11:00 a.m.-3 p.m.: Annual Strawberry Festival at the Church of the Redeemer (6201 Dunrobbin Drive, Bethesda).
 Please come out to support our sister parish!



- + Sunday, May 21, 10:30 a.m.: The Rev. David Potter, Guest Preacher.
- + Sunday, May 28, 10:30 a.m.: The Feast of Pentecost and the "Birthday of the Church." Pentecost, which falls 50 days after Easter, is when the earliest Christians received the gift of the Holy Spirit and were able to understand various "tongues." Many congregations observe this feast by reading the Lesson (Acts 2:1-11) in multiple languages. If you can read in a language other than English, please complete the form in the newsletter or be in touch with Patty as soon as possible.
- + Thursday, June 1, 6:30 p.m.: St. Dunstan's Spring Social, presented by The Anvil Society. Please join us for a fun evening with old and new friends in the Parish Hall! Special children's programming will be provided. *Please see the newsletter to sign up to bring food and beverages.*

+ "St. Dunstan's @ 65": St. Dunstan's was founded in 1958, and we're ready to celebrate! We are in the process of planning events to mark this joyous milestone this fall, and we need your help. If you would like to get involved, please be in touch with Julie Anderson, Michelle Mesen, or Pam Ostuw. All are welcome and encouraged to lend a hand!



Please note: The recital by St. Dunstan's Organist **Hexin Qiao** and her colleague **Liangjun Shi** (originally scheduled for May 21) has been postponed until the summer. Please watch the newsletter for the new date!

Stewardship Update: See, I am Doing a New Thing!

The Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of St. Dunstan's joyfully thank the following households who have pledged to the 2023 Stewardship Campaign (as of May 13, 2023):

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(Names in **bold** = New pledgers in 2023)



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