

**March 22, 2026**  
**The Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
**10:30 a.m.: Celebration of Holy Eucharist**  
*with Children's Chapel*



**St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church**  
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# Welcome to St. Dunstan's!

*God has given to the earth the breath that feeds it.*

*God's breath vibrates in yours, in your voice.*

*It is the breath of God that you breathe.*

~ Theophilus of Antioch (circa 183 CE)



Thank you for choosing to worship with 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, and we are delighted that you are sharing the journey with us today.

**Children** are *always* welcome here; please make yourself and your family at home. There 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.



**Babysitting** for children **4 and under** is provided **downstairs in the Nursery**. For everyone's safety, **registration is required**: Please scan the QR code to the left to sign up.

*To learn more about offerings for children and families, please share your contact information on the clipboard on the Welcome Table.*

**Restrooms** are located in the hallway by the glass doors.

If you find the wooden pews uncomfortable, feel free to borrow a **cushion** from the rear of the Nave for use during worship.

Please wear a **name tag**! Permanent name tags are on the board in the entry hall. 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 noted, music for this morning's **hymns** may be found in the blue *Hymnal 1982* or the red and black *Lift Every Voice and Sing* in your pew rack.

*Please observe reverent quiet before worship during this holy Season of Lent. This time is intended for contemplation, not conversation; it is an opportunity to open ourselves to God's presence and offer to God the concerns we carry on our hearts.*

# The Holy Eucharist

## Prelude

*Præludium No. 2, BWV 554,*

from *Acht Kleine Præludium und Fugen für Orgel*

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*Please stand, as you are able, and join in singing.*

## Processional Hymn

“O for a thousand tongues to sing”

Music: *Hymnal*, 493

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my dear Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim  
and spread through all the earth  
abroad the honors of thy Name.

Jesus! the Name that charms our fears  
and bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life and health and peace.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,  
new life the dead receive,  
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; ye voiceless ones,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold, your Savior comes;  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

Glory to God and praise and love  
be now and ever given  
by saints below and saints above,  
the Church in earth and heaven.

## The Penitential Order

*Presider* Blessed be the God of our salvation;  
*People* **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

*Deacon*  
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Please kneel or sit.*

*Deacon* Most merciful God,  
*and People* **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.**

*Presider*  
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life, **Amen.**

### The Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray: Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### Song of Praise

*Thank You for the World So Sweet*

B. Bertaux (1939-2014)

St. Dunstan's Junior and Youth Choirs

Diane Atherton, *Director*

*Children are invited to attend Children's Chapel in the Youth Room.*

## **The Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14**

*Lector*        A Reading from the Prophet Ezekiel:

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

*Lector*        Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*Please join in reciting the psalm responsively.*

## **Psalm 130**

Out of the depths have I called to you; O God, hear my voice;  
**let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.**

If you were to note what is done amiss,  
**O God, who could stand?**

For there is forgiveness with you,  
**therefore you shall be feared.**

I wait for you, O God; my soul waits for you;  
**in your word is my hope.**

My soul waits for you,  
more than sentries for the morning,  
**more than sentries for the morning.**

O Israel, wait upon God,  
**for with God there is mercy.**

With God there is plenteous redemption;  
**God shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

### **The Epistle: Romans 8:6-11**

*Lector* A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans:

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand and join in singing.*

### **Sequence Hymn**

“All my hope on God is founded,” vv. 1-3

*Hymnal, 665*

*The text of this hymn is still under copyright;  
please use the blue Hymnal 1982, found in your pew rack.*

### **The Gospel: John 11:1-45**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

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

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does

not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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

*Please be seated at the preacher’s invitation.*

**The Sermon**

The Rector

*After a moment of silence, please stand.*

**The Nicene Creed**

*Leader and People*

**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 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.**

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## **The Prayers of the People**

*The Intercessor and People pray responsively*

For the Church, that we may speak a word of mercy and new life to all who are bound by disease or despair. We pray for *Sarah*, Archbishop of Canterbury; for *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop; for *Mariann*, our Bishop and *Eugene*, our Assisting Bishop; for *Hosam*, Archbishop in Jerusalem; and for all who serve in Christ's Name.

Source of life,

**renew us with your love.**

For those entrusted with the leadership and care of God's people in this and every land, as well as for the women and men of our Foreign Service and Armed Forces and all called to serve the common good.

Source of life,

**renew us with your love.**

For a deepening of hope: that in these anxious times we may remember the length and breadth of God's love and faithfulness.

Source of life,

**renew us with your love.**

For peace throughout the world, especially in the Middle East. We pray, as well, for immigrants and refugees, remembering in particular our friends Syed, Elyas, and Erfan.

Source of life,

**renew us with your love.**

For those who have been commended to our parish Prayer List (*see p. 18*), and for all in need of healing in body, mind, and spirit, including those we name, silently or aloud:

*Pause for prayers of petition and intercession*

Source of life,

**renew us with your love.**

For all who have died, remembering especially the casualties of war, as well as those we name, silently or aloud:

*Pause for prayers for the departed*

Source of life,  
**Renew us with your love.**

*The Presider concludes*

God of love, the day is long and its burden is heavy: Give us grace to see your hand at work in the lives of those around us, so that adversity will not overwhelm us, nor resentments possess us. Remain with us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior,  
**Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Presider* May the peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

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

### **Welcome**

Holy mystery we name God, we bring our gifts with hopeful and faithful spirits.  
Bless the offering of these gifts and our lives, that new hope and new possibilities may be realized in the lives of those we serve.

### **At the Offertory**

*Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life*

Text: G. Herbert (1593-1633)

Music: R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir

*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.*

*Please also feel free to donate online at <https://stdunstansbethesda.org/support/donate.html> or mail a check to the Parish Office.*

## **The Holy Communion**

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

**Presentation Hymn**

Music: *Hymnal*, 439

**What wondrous love is this,**

**O my soul, O my soul!**

**What wondrous love is this,**

**O my soul!**

**What wondrous love is this**

**that caused the Lord of bliss**

**to lay aside his crown**

**for my soul, for my soul,**

**to lay aside his crown**

**for my soul.**

# The Great Thanksgiving

# Eucharistic Prayer A

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Presider*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth: You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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:

*Sanctus*

*Hymnal, S-130*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

The first system of musical notation for the Sanctus. It consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and" are written below the notes.

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

The second system of musical notation for the Sanctus. It continues from the first system. The treble clef staff has a long note for "might," followed by "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,". The bass clef staff continues the accompaniment. The lyrics "might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord," are written below the notes.

God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are

full, full of your glo-ry. Ho-

san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na

in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na



Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

*Please kneel or sit for the Eucharistic Prayer during Lent.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed

Dunstan, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

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

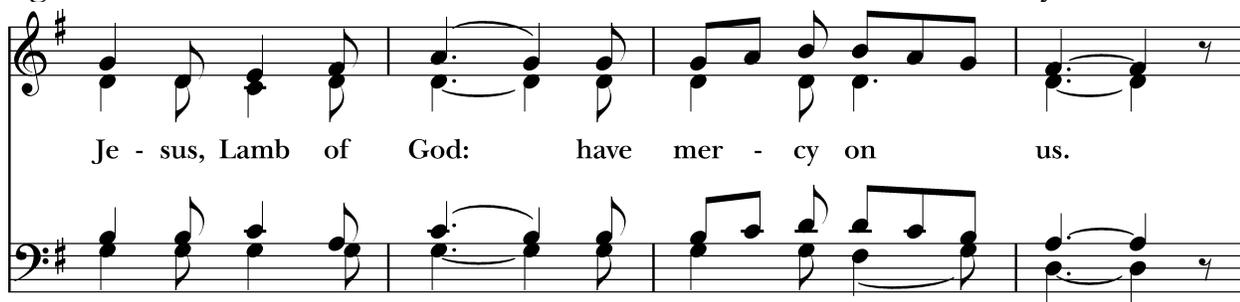
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever, Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

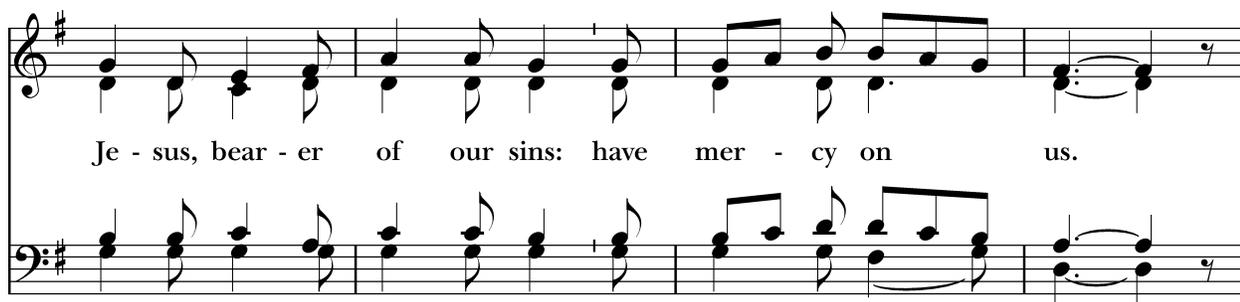
*A period of silence is kept.*

*Agnus Dei*

*Hymnal, S-164*



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:  
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system covers the lyrics 'Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:'. The second system covers the lyrics 'give us your peace, give us your peace.'. The music is primarily homophonic, with chords and simple melodic lines.

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

*Please be seated.*

### **The Communion**

*All are welcome to receive the Sacrament in one or both kinds. Consecrated wine is available by sipping directly from the chalice, by dipping your bread gently into the chalice, or by taking an individual cup; gluten-free Communion bread is available upon request. Please place used Communion cups in the bowl at the back for reverent disposal. If you would prefer not to receive, you are invited to come forward for a blessing, the signal for which is to place your hand over your heart when you reach the Altar.*

### **Music during Communion**

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

Text: E. Hatch (1835-1889)

Music: C. Lockhart (1745–1815)

The St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir

*Remaining seated, please join in singing.*

“Wait for the Lord”

Taizé chant

*Repeated, following the Choir*

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

5 Wait for the Lord; be strong, take heart!

*Please stand, as you are able.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Presider* Let us pray:

*and People* **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever, Amen.**

### **The Lenten Prayer over the People**

*Presider*

Let us bow our heads before God.

*Silence*

Look with compassion, O Lord, upon us your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, we may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

*Please join in singing.*

### **Closing Hymn**

“Amazing grace!”

Music: *Hymnal*, 671

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.

’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
’tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we’ve no less days to sing God’s praise  
than when we’d first begun.

*Please be seated following the hymn.*

### **Announcements**

*Please stand for the Dismissal.*

### **The Dismissal**

*Deacon* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

*Fuga No. 2, BWV 554,*

from *Acht Kleine Præludium und Fugen für Orgel*

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

# Prayer List

## *For healing, strength, and protection:*

Rebecca Bryant; Phil and Patti Carroll; Terry Conroy; Steve Cooper; Austin Cox;  
Henry Cox; DJ Crane; Kenny Farnsworth; The Rev. Melissa Fauci;  
Katie Beck Fey; Nick Gilbert; Nancy Guthrie; Mary Jane and Terry Haight;  
Ben Hull; Patricia Mackenzie; Rick Nickles; Joyce Nugent;  
Linda Rogers; Shannon Rose; Curtis Shively; Nancy Thoreson;  
The Rev. Sara Thorne; Jack Tovornik; Matt Tovornik; Sandra Walters;  
David Wheeler; Ben; Bill; Christopher; Craig; David; Elizabeth; Griffin; JW;  
Karen; Katherine; Lindsay and William; Marty; Melanie; Michael; MT; Phyllis;  
Sherry; *and* Shiloh

For peace in the Middle East and throughout God's world

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## Announcements

### *Today at St. Dunstan's:*

- + **Welcome, Visitors!** We are delighted that you are here, and we hope you can stay for a few minutes after worship so that we can greet you properly. To learn more about St. Dunstan's, please fill out a **visitor form**, found on the table in the entry hall, and help yourself to a **welcome bag** as a token of our gratitude that you have joined us today.
- + **Fellowship Time:** You are invited to the **Parish Hall** immediately following worship for a cup of coffee or tea and a snack and some good conversation!
- + **The Seminarian's Lay Support Team** will meet in the **Parlor** from **12–1:30 p.m.**
- + **The Junior Choir** will rehearse from **12–1 p.m.** in the **Music Room**.
- + Our **Children's Ministry Food and Toiletry Drive** concludes today. Please place food or toiletry items for **Shepherd's Table** in Founders' Hall.
- + Please join us as this year's "**Jazz and More @ St. Dunstan's**" series wraps up this afternoon at **4 p.m. in the Parish Hall** with jazz pianist and composer **Alfred Yun**. Alfred brings his unique perspective to his compositions from his Korean heritage, American experience, and philosophical studies. He works primarily in jazz but pulls in various elements from rock, K-pop, traditional Korean, and classical music. Tickets are **\$35** (\$10 for students). Visit <http://tinyurl.com/STD-JAZZ> to purchase. Thank you for supporting this principal fundraiser for our **Refugee Ministry!**



***This Week at St. Dunstan's:***

+ **Tuesday, March 24:**

- **7:30 p.m.:** Chancel Choir Rehearsal (*Nave*)

+ **Wednesday, March 25:**

- **10:30 a.m.:** Bible Study Resumes (*On Zoom*)

+ **Next Sunday, March 29 (Palm Sunday):**

- + **10:30 a.m.:** Enter into the most sacred week of the Church year with the Blessing of the Palms and the reading of the Passion Narrative here at St. Dunstan's. Weather-permitting, we will begin next week's service in the **upper parking lot** and process into the building together. **NOTE: Children's Chapel will not meet on Palm Sunday.** Children should remain with their families for the duration of worship. *Please see the next page for the full schedule of Holy Week and Easter services.*

***Other Announcements:***

- + **Easter Flower and Music Dedications:** You can help enhance the beauty of St. Dunstan's during Eastertide by contributing to our **Easter Flower and Music Fund** in honor of, in thanksgiving for, or in memory of a loved one. We welcome your contribution of any amount: Please use the **electronic donation form found in the newsletter** to let us know you'll donate and to name your tributes. You may pay online or via check (made payable to St. Dunstan's, with "Easter Dedications" noted in the memo line). **In order for dedications to be included in this year's Easter bulletins, the deadline for submissions is Wednesday, April 1.** Thank you for your support!



Lent is a particularly good time to make a private (see "The Reconciliation of a Penitent," *Book of Common Prayer*, p. 447) as part of your journey toward Easter. Every week we confess our sins corporately in the context of worship, *and* there is also something very powerful about naming one's transgressions aloud before God and in the presence of another person. Many find the experience of hearing the words of absolution – and the assurance that "The Lord has put away all your sins" – to be lifegiving. Confession is always confidential: "The secrecy of the confession is morally absolute for the confessor and must not be broken" (*BCP*, p. 446).

Please be in touch with me if you would like to explore the possibility of making a private confession during this holy season. I welcome the conversation. ~ Patty+

# *Holy Week & Easter Schedule*

**March 29**

**Palm Sunday Service of Holy Eucharist - 10:30 am**

With the Liturgy of the Palms and Reading of the Passion Narrative

**March 30**

**Praying The Stations of the Cross - 7 pm**

**April 2**

**Maundy Thursday Eucharist - 7 pm**

with Foot washing and the Stripping of the Altar

**April 3**

**The Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday\* - Noon**

**Good Friday Taizé Service\* - 7 pm**

\*Communion is not celebrated on Good Friday

**April 4**

**The Great Vigil of Easter - 7 pm**

at All Saints' Episcopal Church, Chevy Chase

**April 5**

**Festival Easter Eucharist - 10:30 am**

followed by Community Easter Egg Hunt, 12:00 pm  
(weather permitting)



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## *Serving this Morning*

<b>Presider and Preacher:</b>	The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander
<b>Deacon:</b>	The Rev. Jessica Ault
<b>Musicians:</b>	Diane Atherton, Ulysses Squitieri, and The St. Dunstan's Junior, Youth, and Chancel Choirs
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Marsha Barnes, Ann Johnson, and Michelle Mesen
<b>Greeter:</b>	Kiska Williams
<b>Livestream Ministers:</b>	Doug McManus and Carmen Petruzzi
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Connelly Anderson Gomez
<b>Crucifer:</b>	Lynne Leonard
<b>Children's Chapel:</b>	Julie Anderson and Jenna Monroe
<b>Lectors:</b>	Leo Bouma and Lynne Leonard
<b>Psalm Leader:</b>	Sue Carroll
<b>Intercessor:</b>	Madeleine Johnson
<b>Ushers:</b>	
<b>Hospitality:</b>	
<b>Barista:</b>	Teresa Lee
<b>Snack Angels:</b>	Nancy Douglas and Graham Rehrig
<b>Set up:</b>	Teresa Lee, Cindy Mathis, and Graham Rehrig
<b>Clean up:</b>	The Rev. Patty Alexander and Teresa Lee
<b>Vestry Member of the Day:</b>	Nancy Douglas

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*Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord*  
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**\*Artist's Reflection: "Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord."** We may not have been trapped down in an actual cavern, but many of us have experienced the emotional depths, when hope seems out of reach: the darkness of depression, of despair, of overwhelming grief. Fear of an unknowable future. We can feel stuck, and helpless to get ourselves out. If we can even see a glimmer of light, of freedom, we have no idea how to get to it.

The Psalmist knew that feeling and called "out of the depths" to the Lord. He goes on: "My soul waits for the Lord; in the word of the Lord is my hope." And then he tells his community: "O Israel, wait for the Lord." The Psalmist remembers to ask the Lord for help and reminds others who are also lost: "For with the Lord there is mercy." May we recall this verse when we feel ourselves in the depths, remember to call to the Lord – and to share that hope with others.

The cavern walls are made of Thai "momi" paper. The reaching hand is simply cut paper, and the sky is alcohol ink on silvered paper.

~ Sue Carroll, *Liturgical Artist-in-Residence*

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