

May 31, 2026

The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday

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



St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

Seeking God • Building Community • Growing Faith • Reaching Out

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Welcome to St. Dunstan's!

Indeed, in the triune God is the love behind all love, the life behind all life, the music behind all music, the beauty behind all beauty, and the joy behind all joy.

~ Michael Reeves



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 do not throw this bulletin in the trash. Instead, either take it home for reference during the coming week (preferable) or place it in the blue recycling bin as you depart. Thank you!



This morning we welcome **Nicholas Bavani** as our **Guest Pianist**.

Please observe quiet before the service to enable everyone to pray and prepare for worship.

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Prelude in C major BWV 846

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Nicholas Bavani, *piano*

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

Processional Hymn

“Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!”

Music: *Hymnal*, 362

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

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

People **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever, Amen.**

The Song of Praise

Canticle 13

Hymnal, S-236

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____
_ for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; _____ we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____
3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; _____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. _____ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

Descant

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; _____ in the high vault of

depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, _____

you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,

— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! _____

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

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The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever, **Amen.**

Please be seated.

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

The Lesson: Genesis 1:1—2:4a

Lector A Reading from the Book of Genesis:

When God began to create the heavens and the earth—the earth was without shape or form, it was dark over the deep sea, and God's wind swept over the waters— God said, "Let there be light." And so light appeared. God saw how good the light was. God separated the light from the darkness. God named the light Day and the darkness Night.

There was evening and there was morning: the first day.

God said, "Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters to separate the waters from each other." God made the dome and separated the waters under the dome from the waters above the dome. And it happened in that way. God named the dome Sky.

There was evening and there was morning: the second day.

God said, "Let the waters under the sky come together into one place so that the dry land can appear." And that's what happened. God named the dry land Earth, and he named the gathered waters Seas. God saw how good it was. God said, "Let the earth grow plant life: plants yielding seeds and fruit trees bearing fruit with seeds inside it, each according to its kind throughout the earth." And that's what happened. The earth produced plant life: plants yielding seeds, each according to its kind, and trees bearing fruit with seeds inside it, each according to its kind. God saw how good it was.

There was evening and there was morning: the third day.

God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night. They will mark events, sacred seasons, days, and years. They will be lights in the dome of the sky to shine on the earth." And that's what happened. God made

the stars and two great lights: the larger light to rule over the day and the smaller light to rule over the night. God put them in the dome of the sky to shine on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. God saw how good it was.

There was evening and there was morning: the fourth day.

God said, “Let the waters swarm with living things, and let birds fly above the earth up in the dome of the sky.” God created the great sea animals and all the tiny living things that swarm in the waters, each according to its kind, and all the winged birds, each according to its kind. God saw how good it was. Then God blessed them: “Be fertile and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth.”

There was evening and there was morning: the fifth day.

God said, “Let the earth produce every kind of living thing: livestock, crawling things, and wildlife.” And that’s what happened. God made every kind of wildlife, every kind of livestock, and every kind of creature that crawls on the ground. God saw how good it was. Then God said, “Let us make humanity in our image to resemble us so that they may take charge of the fish of the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the earth, and all the crawling things on earth.”

God created humanity in God’s own image,
in the divine image God created them,
male and female God created them.

God blessed them and said to them, “Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and master it. Take charge of the fish of the sea, the birds in the sky, and everything crawling on the ground.” Then God said, “I now give to you all the plants on the earth that yield seeds and all the trees whose fruit produces its seeds within it. These will be your food. To all wildlife, to all the birds in the sky, and to everything crawling on the ground—to everything that breathes—I give all the green grasses for food.” And that’s what happened. God saw everything he had made: it was supremely good.

There was evening and there was morning: the sixth day.

The heavens and the earth and all who live in them were completed. On the sixth day God completed all the work that he had done, and on the seventh day God rested from all the work that he had done. God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all the work of creation. This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand and join in singing.

Sequence Hymn

“I sing the almighty power of God”

Music: *Hymnal*, 398

I sing the almighty power of God,
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at his command,
and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord,
that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his Word,
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,
where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below,
but makes thy glories known;
and clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne;
while all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care,
and everywhere that I could be,
thou, God, art present there.

The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

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

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

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Please be seated at the preacher's invitation.

The Homily

The Rector

After a moment of silence, please stand.

The Nicene Creed

Leader We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
People **maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**
Leader We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
People **God from God, Light from Light,**
true God from true God,
Leader begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
People **Through him all things were made.**
Leader For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
People **For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**
he suffered death and was buried.
Leader On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
People **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.
Leader We believe in the Holy Spirit,
People **the Lord, the giver of life,**
Leader who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
People **With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.**
Leader He has spoken through the prophets.
People **We believe in one holy, catholic* and apostolic Church.**
Leader We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
People **We look for the resurrection of the dead,**
and the life of the world to come, Amen.

**universal*

The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor and People pray responsively.

Loving God, we pray for your Church throughout the world, especially: *Sarah*, Archbishop of Canterbury; *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop; *Mariann*, our Bishop, and *Eugene*, our Assisting Bishop; *Hosam*, Archbishop in Jerusalem; and all who minister in the Name of Christ. We give thanks for this parish and its people, acknowledging all the gifts you have given us throughout our life together. Open wide our hearts, that we may welcome the stranger and share our faith with others; open wide our minds, that we may receive new understanding; and open wide our doors, that we may go out to serve the world in your Name.

Together, let us pray:

Hear us, blessed Trinity.

Lord of the universe, we praise you for your Creation. You have provided our planet with everything it needs for life and health: Grant that the resources of the earth may neither be hoarded by the selfish nor squandered by the foolish, but that all may share your gifts.

We remember all who bear the responsibility of leadership, especially Heads of State, ambassadors, and political advisors. Let your will for our world be accomplished through the decisions they make and give them a vision of peace and reconciliation. We pray, as well, for the women and men of our Armed Forces and Foreign Service at home and abroad.

Create in us a love for peace – not peace that is absent from struggle, nor peace that is blind to injustice, but peace that makes whole what now is broken. We remember those who struggle against injustice, that they may be filled with your strength and wisdom. Grant that, where human love has failed, your divine compassion may heal.

Together, let us pray:

Hear us, blessed Trinity.

We pray this morning for those who are sick, sad, or lonely, and those who are brave and patient in the face of suffering, that they may know that in your hands they are safe and loved. We remember especially those on our Parish Prayer List (*see p. 19*) and the people and situations we name now, silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers of petition and intercession

We remember, as well, those who have died, especially *Sandy Compher*, and those whom we name now, silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers for the departed

Finally, we give thanks for all the blessings of this life, particularly for the Baptism of *Philip Luca Caruso*. We praise God, as well, for those blessings we name now, silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers of thanksgiving

Together, let us pray:

Hear us, blessed Trinity.

The Presider concludes

Most Holy One, on this Trinity Sunday we have come before you to offer our praise and adoration. You are God the Creator, giving us richly all things to enjoy. You are Christ the Savior of the world, made flesh to set us free. You are the Spirit of truth and love, willing to dwell in us. You are holy and blessed. One God, eternal Trinity, be near to us the people formed in your image, and close to the world your love brings to life, **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God.

A brief silence

Deacon and People God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will, Amen.

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

The Peace

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

The Offertory

Presider

Ascribe due honor to God's holy Name;
worship the Most High in the beauty of holiness. *Psalm 29*

*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.*

Offertory Anthem

O Trinity of Blessed Light - O Lux Beata

arr. S. and A. Barrett

The St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir

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

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.

For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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

LEVAS, 255

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly

ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

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

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high -

est, ho - san - na in the high - est

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems. The first system has two staves (treble and bass clef) with lyrics 'of the Lord, of the Lord.' The second system also has two staves with lyrics 'Ho - san - na in the high -'. The third system has two staves with lyrics 'est, ho - san - na in the high - est'. The fourth system has two staves (treble and bass clef) for piano accompaniment. The music is in a minor key and features a steady, rhythmic accompaniment with some melodic lines in the voice parts.

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Please stand, sit, or kneel.

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.

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 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.

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Presider These are the Gifts of God, for you, the People of God, **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 **silver chalice** or by **dipping** your bread gently into the **blue chalice**; gluten-free Communion bread is available upon request. 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

We are all one in mission

Text: R. Edwards (b.1955)

Music: Nyland, arr. David Evans (1874-1948)

The St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir

Remaining seated, please join in singing.

“For the fruit of all creation”

Hymnal, 424

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please use the blue Hymnal 1982, found in your pew rack.*

Please stand at the Presider's invitation.

The Prayer after Communion

Presider Let us pray:

and People **Loving God, we 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.**

Please be seated.

*The participants in St. Dunstan's 2026 Sacred Ground Circle
are invited to come to the Chancel steps.*

The Commissioning of Sacred Ground Participants

Leader: Dear People of God, we stand in the shadow of the prophets crying out for justice and peace. God calls us to be a people of reconciliation, serving a world in need. Courageous people have taken the risk of standing up and speaking out for the least and the lowest. This work involves risking ourselves for the sake of God's love, moving beyond ourselves in order to seek and serve Christ and one another. We are all called to the work and ministry of social justice and reconciliation.

Will you persevere in prayer and fellowship?

Participants: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you proclaim the good news of reconciliation in both word and deed?

Participants: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you strive to see Christ in all persons, both with whom you agree and disagree?

Participants: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you seek to mend what is broken by human sin and greed?

Participants: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you work toward dismantling the sin of abuse of power?

Participants: I will, with God's help.

Leader: In the name of God and of this Church, I commission you to stand up, speak out and live into becoming Beloved Community in your lives, in your community and in the world, **Amen.**

Please stand.

The Blessing

Presider May God make you brave. May God root you in your own and others' absolute belovedness. May God grant you a vision for beloved community and lead you with care and boldness on the sacred path toward that dream.

And may the blessing of the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, and with all those you love, this day and always, **Amen.**

Please join in singing.

Closing Hymn

“Go to the world!”

S.G. Dunstan

1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth. Go preach the
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place. Go live the
3 Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray; the nights of
4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am
cross where Christ re - news life's worth, bap - tiz - ing as the
word of God's re - deem - ing grace. Go seek God's pres - ence
tears give way to joy - ous day. As ser - vant church, you
with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of
sign of our re - birth.
in each time and space. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
fol - low Christ's own way.
glo - ry cry "A - men!"

Please be seated following the hymn.

Announcements

Please stand for the Dismissal.

Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord!

People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Alleluia

W.A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Heather Fetrow, *soprano*
Nicholas Bavani, *piano*

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Welcome, Visitors!

We are delighted that you are here, and we hope you will 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.

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For Your Prayers

For healing, strength, and protection:

Chuck Ault; Mimi Betz; Phil and Patti Carroll; Terry Conroy; Steve Cooper;
Henry Cox; Elizabeth Douglas; Kenny Farnsworth; Katie Beck Fey;
Amanda and Torrey Finck; Nick Gilbert; Terry Haight; Ben Hull; Patricia
Mackenzie; Tracy Monroe; Rick Nickles; Carol Overdahl; Mary Jane Reynolds;
Linda Rogers; Curtis Shively; Martha Stid; Nancy Thoreson; Jack Tovornik; Sandra
Walters; David Wheeler; Anne; Ben; Bill; Christopher; Craig; Griffin; JW; Karen;
Katherine; Lindsay and William; Marty; Melanie; Michelle; MT; Paola; Phyllis;
Sherry; *and* Shiloh

For peace in Bolivia, Haiti, the Holy Land, Iran, Lebanon, Sudan and South
Sudan, Ukraine, and throughout God's world

For our nation

For refugees and immigrants

For the women and men of our Foreign Service and Armed Forces

For emergency personnel and first responders

For the victims of climate and natural disasters

For missionaries serving throughout the world

May she rest in peace and rise in glory:

Sandy Compher, *friend of Diane Adams*

Announcements

Today at St. Dunstan's:

- **Fellowship Time:** Please join us in the **Parish Hall** immediately following worship for a cup of coffee or tea and a snack and some good conversation!
- **The Junior/Youth Choir** will rehearse at **12 Noon**.

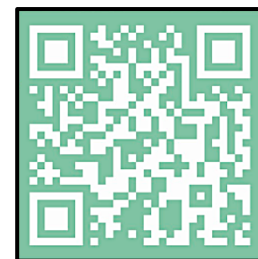
This Week:

- **Tuesday, June 2:**
 - + **11 a.m.: What Now?!** (*Parish Hall*)
- **Wednesday, June 3:**
 - + **10:30 a.m.: Weekly Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke** (*Zoom*)
- **Thursday, June 4:**
 - + **12 Noon: Prayers for Peace and Healing** (*Zoom*) – **NEW DAY!**
- **Next Sunday, June 7:**
 - + **Choir Recognition Sunday:** Come celebrate and thank the singers of The Chancel Choir and the Junior and Youth Choirs for a program year of beautiful music!
 - + **Prayers for Graduates:** If you have a student graduating from high school, college, or graduate/professional school this year, please let us know! Email The Rector to share the details, and plan to join us that day for a special blessing!



Coming Up:

- **Monday, June 15:**
 - + **12 Noon-5 p.m.: American Red Cross Blood Drive** (*Parish Hall*). Please consider giving the gift of life! To make your appointment, either scan the QR code or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter code **SDECBethesda**.
- **Monday-Friday, July 13-17:**
 - + **9 a.m.-12 Noon: Vacation Bible School ~ Compassion Camp** (*Parish Hall/Grounds*). Once again this year we will co-host VBS with Westmoreland Congregational United Church of Christ. Rising Kindergarteners through Grade 5 are welcome to participate as campers; older children may serve as Junior Counselors. Fee: \$50 per camper (max. \$100 per family). Come join the fun! To register your child, please scan the QR code or visit <https://tinyurl.com/VBS2026-STD>. If you would like to lend a hand as part of the 2026 VBS team, please contact **Julie Anderson**: julie_anderson75@hotmail.com.



Serving this Morning

Presider and Preacher:	The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander
Deacon:	The Rev. Jessica Ault
Musicians:	Diane Atherton, Nicholas Bavani, and The St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir
Altar Guild:	Marsha Barnes, Ann Johnson, and Michelle Mesen
Flower Guild:	Anne Tager
Child Care:	Lila Saidi and Sany Saidi
Greeter:	Donna Alvarez
Livestream Minister:	Andrew Alexander
Acolyte:	Connelly Anderson Gomez
Crucifer:	Elin Botha
Children's Chapel:	Julie Anderson and Jenna Monroe
Lectors:	Cami Caudill and Michelle Mesen
Intercessor:	Teresa Lee
Lay Eucharistic Ministers:	Cami Caudill and Michelle Mesen
Ushers:	Leo Bouma and Walter Douglas
Hospitality:	Donna Alvarez, Elin Botha, Teresa Lee, Cindy Mathis, Marie Park, and Fred Smoak
Vestry Member of the Day:	Nancy Douglas

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***Artist's Reflection: "A Cross for Trinity Sunday."** There is no scripture that declares God is three-in-one. There is no simple, widely-agreed-upon theological explanation for it. Church history is rife with arguments about it.

And yet. Scripture alludes to it, telling stories about each of these three – what, elements of God? Aspects of God? Relational experiences with God? There really aren't words to describe it. So, here is my attempt to put it into an image. The colorful, swirly background is for the chaos from which the Creator God brought order. The cross is for Jesus the Christ, but it is transformed from rough wood to airy, starry chiffon. And, of course, the dove is for the Holy Spirit. It is possible to ponder this image, and the idea, without understanding it.

Made from acrylic paint monoprints (splashed with alcohol) on paper, ribbon, and an image from a hand-carved stamp.

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

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