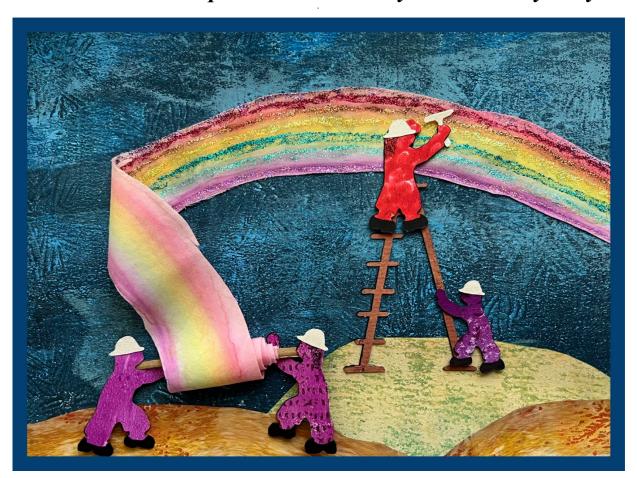
# September 14, 2025 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost: "Welcome Home" Sunday ~ Holy Cross Day Season of Creation 2

10:30 a.m.: Celebration of Holy Eucharist with Children's Chapel and Anniversary and Birthday Prayers



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# Welcome to St. Dunstan's!

Our Christian knowledge assures us that prayer is essentially what God does, how God addresses us, looks at us. It is not primarily something we are doing to God, something we are giving to God but what God is doing for us. And what God is doing for us is giving the divine Self in love.

~ Ruth Barrow

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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. *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.

# The Holy Eucharist

#### **Prelude**

Ulysses Squitieri, organ

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

# **Processional Hymn**

"Come, ye thankful people, come"

Hymnal, 290

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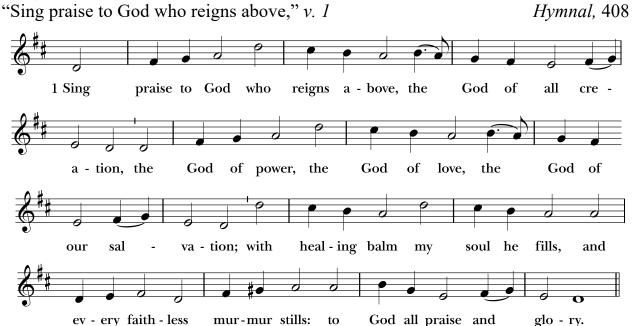
# The Liturgy of the Word

#### **Opening Acclamation**

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

# Song of Praise for the Season of Creation



# The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray: Ever present God, whose Son our Savior was lifted high

upon the cross that he might renew all Creation through himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our restoration, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him on his way to bring new life to all things; through Jesus the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever

and ever, Amen.

Please be seated.

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

The Lesson: Jeremiah 29:4-14

Lector A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah:

Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to your dreams that you dream, for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the Lord.

For thus says the Lord: Only when Babylon's seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Please join in reciting the psalm responsively.

#### Psalm 98

Sing a new song to God, \* who has done marvelous things.

With your right hand, O God, and your holy arm, \* you have won for yourself the victory.

You have made known your victory; \* your righteousness have you openly shown in the sight of the nations.

You remember your mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \* and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to God, all you lands; \* lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to God with the harp, \* with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn, \* shout with joy before our God who reigns in majesty.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \* the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, \*
and let the hills ring out with joy before God,
who will come to judge the earth;

God shall judge the world in righteousness \* and the peoples with equity.

Please stand and join in singing.

# **Sequence Hymn**

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Music: Lift Every Voice and Sing, 189

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not,
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed thy hand hath provided,

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

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Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness, To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed thy hand hath provided,

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

## Refrain

#### The Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

Please be seated at the preacher's invitation.

# The Sermon: "The Plans I Have for You"

The Rector

After a moment of silence, please stand.

#### A Profession of Faith in Creation Season

Presider and People

We believe in God, who creates all things,

who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,

who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.

We believe in God as the source of all life,

who baptizes this planet with living water.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,

the malnourished one, the climate refugee,

who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it.

And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,

who came to reconcile and renew this world and everything in it.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,

who moves with God and who moves among and with us today.

We believe in everlasting life in God.

And we believe in the hope that one day

God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.

# The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor and People pray responsively

Eternal God, we thank you for the beauty of the World: for the teeming life of the seas, the flight of birds, and the diversity of animal life. Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honor the delicate balance of nature. Give us the will to cherish this planet and to use its resources sustainably for the welfare of all. God of life,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the faithful witness of the Church, called to reconcile and heal: For *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop; for *Mariann*, our Bishop; for *Eugene*, our Assisting Bishop; for *Hosam*, Archbishop in Jerusalem; and for *Patty*, our Rector, and *Cami*, our new Seminarian. As we begin this new program year of mission and ministry together, set our hearts and minds on the plans you have for us. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

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We pray for the nations of the earth, and for those entrusted with public leadership and service in this and every land, including the President, Federal workers, and the members of our Armed Forces, Foreign Service, and Emergency Services. We exult in our diversity and giftedness, and we repent of our sins, divisions, and violence. Be with the peoples of Gaza, Haiti, Israel, Russia, Ukraine, the United States, and all those places torn apart by hatred and war. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us.

God of justice,

# hear our prayer.

We pray for the whole human family. As every person is created in your image and known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect. We remember before you all you have entrusted to our collective care, including those on our Parish Prayer List (see p. 15), the victims of the shootings in Denver, and those whom we name now, silently or aloud:

#### Pause for prayers of intercession and petition

God of compassion,

## hear our prayer.

We remember all who have died and ask for support and comfort for those who mourn. This week we pray for the repose of the souls of *Charlie Kirk* and those we name now, silently or aloud:

## Pause for prayers for the departed

God of peace,

# hear our prayer.

#### The Presider concludes

Lord, you have helped us glimpse the plans you have for us: With your help, we are indeed doing a new thing. Inspire us to dream beyond our self-perceived limits, and move forward with confidence to fulfill your vision for our future. In Jesus' Name we pray, **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

Presider Holy One, we praise you for the wonders of your Creation:

People make us joyful and faithful stewards.

# At the Offertory

Panis Angelicus

G. Fauré (1845-1924)

Dashiell Waterbury, tenor

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 <a href="https://stdunstansbethesda.org/support/donate.html">https://stdunstansbethesda.org/support/donate.html</a> or mail a check to the Parish Office.

# **The Holy Communion**

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

#### The Doxology

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 B

Music: *Hymnal*, 380

Presider The Lord be with you.

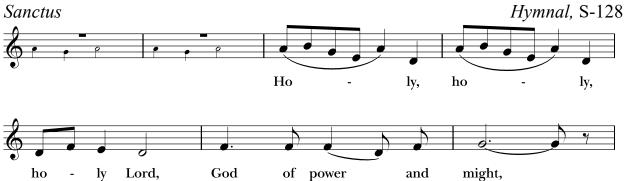
People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

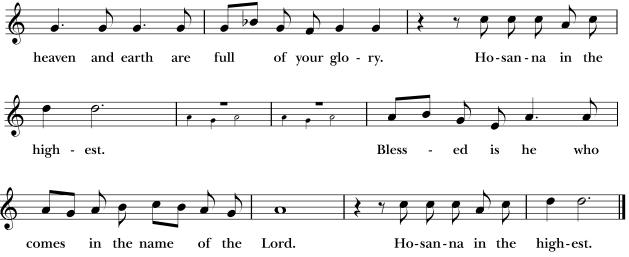
People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth: For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



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Please stand, kneel, or sit.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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

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

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Presider continues

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

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Dunstan, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever, **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 from the chalice or in individual cups; gluten-free Communion bread is also 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 cross your arms over your chest when you reach the Altar.

## **Music during Communion**

The King of Love my shepherd Is

St. Columba

Music: *Hymnal*, 629

Please join in singing.

"O Jesus, joy of loving hearts"

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life and our true light, we seek the peace your love imparts, and stand rejoicing in your sight.

We taste in you our living bread, and long to feast upon you still; we drink of you, the fountainhead, our thirsting souls to quench and fill.

For you our restless spirits yearn where'er our changing lot is cast; glad, when your presence we discern, blest, when our faith can hold you fast.

O Jesus, ever with us stay; make all our moments calm and bright; oh, chase the night of sin away, shed o'er the world your holy light.

Please stand.

# **Prayer after Communion**

Presider Let us pray:

Blessed be God who calls us together.

Presider

**Therefore we offer all that we are and all that we shall become.** 

Presider Accept, O God, our sacrifice of praise.

People Amen. Accept our thanks for all you have done.

Our hands were empty, and you filled them.

# The Blessing

Presider

May the Peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and mind in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – be upon you and remain with you, and all those you love, from this day forth and forevermore, **Amen.** 

Please join in singing the closing hymn.

Music: *Hymnal*, 618

# **Closing Hymn**

"Ye watchers and ye holy ones"

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Please be seated following the hymn.

## **Announcements and Special Prayers**

## **Commissioning Our Seminarian**

Presider

Friends in Christ, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Today we rejoice and give thanks that *Cami Caudill* has responded to God's call to ministry in this parish.

People

# Praise be to God, who has called you to this service.

Presider

Let us pray: Eternal God, light of the world and Creator of all that is good and lovely: We praise your Name for this your faithful servant who will serve as our Seminarian this year, and we ask your blessing on her family who supports her; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever, **Amen.** 

Cami, in the Name of God, we commission you as Seminarian at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church for the coming year. May the One who has given you the will to do this ministry give you the grace and power to perform it, **Amen.** 

# September Anniversary and Birthday Prayers

For Those Celebrating Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year together. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.** 

For Those Celebrating Birthdays

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall; and in their hearts may your peace, which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.** 

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

Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday, God bless you! Happy birthday to you!

#### The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the Name of Christ!

People Thanks be to God!

#### **Postlude**

Fugue in E Flat Major, BWV 552 "St. Anne" Ulysses Squitieri, organ

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)



# Please remember in prayer:

Julie Anderson; Jeff Boesch; Phil and Patti Carroll; Rick Conroy; Bill Cooke; Steve Cooper; Austin Cox; Henry Cox; Donna Embry; Kenny Farnsworth; Katie Beck Fey; Jon Michael Gaudioso; Ben Hull; David Hull; Frank Libutti; Patricia Mackenzie; Elena Marchetti and family; Cathy Nerantzis; Rick Nickles; Joyce Nugent; Linda Rogers; Shannon Rose; Curtis Shively; Tom Shimkin; Jack Tovornik; Peggy Vaughn; Sandra Walters; Jim Ward; David Wheeler; Ben; Bill; Christopher; David; Farid; Gerald; Grace; Henry; Karen; Katherine; Marty; Melanie; Sherry; and Shiloh



# Welcome, Visitors!

We are delighted that you are here, and we hope you can stay after worship so that we can greet you properly. If you are able, please join us for a festive **brunch** in the **Parish Hall!** (There is a special table with **activities for children.)** 

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.



# Announcements

## Today at St. Dunstan's:

+ All-Parish Brunch: EVERYONE is invited and encouraged to come to the Parish Hall immediately following worship to share a delicious meal, learn more about St. Dunstan's ministries, and hear about our hopes and *plans* for the coming year. We have so much for which to be thankful...Let's celebrate!

#### The Week Ahead:

- + Tuesday, September 16:
  - 11 a.m.: "What Now?!" Discussion Group (Parish Hall)
  - 12 Noon: Prayers for Peace and Healing (Zoom and Facebook\*)
- + Wednesday, September 17:
  - 10:30 a.m.: Bible Study on The Gospel of Luke (Zoom\*)
- + Saturday, September 20:
  - 11 a.m.: Celebration of the Life of Jessie McCardell (Nave). A luncheon reception follows in the Parish Hall; all are welcome.

    \* Please see online newsletter for links.

## Looking Ahead:

- + Saturday, September 27:
  - 10 a.m.—4 p.m.: Chancel (Adult) Choir Camp at St. Dunstan's. Come and join Minister of Music Diane Atherton for a day of singing and fellowship. Stay for a bit, come for lunch, or stay for the whole day! Repertoire will include music from the 17<sup>th</sup> century to the present day, and we will begin practicing for our Christmas concert. No experience necessary! Fee for the day is \$25. To register, visit <a href="https://tinyurl.com/adultchoircamp">https://tinyurl.com/adultchoircamp</a>. For more information, contact Diane at music@stdunstansbethesda.org.
- + Sunday, September 28:
  - 4-6 p.m.: Community Reception for Nave Gallery Liturgical Art Exhibit (Nave and Parish Hall). Our doors will be open for anyone to come see the current exhibit in our Nave Gallery, "The Life of Jesus." The mixed-media pieces were created by our very own Liturgical Artist-in-Residence, Sue Carroll. This is an open-house style event, but you might try to be here at 5 p.m. when, in the Parish Hall, Sue will talk about these "Modern Icons of the Good News," and offer a slideshow demonstrating the steps in her process. Bring friends and family to share this unique aspect of our life at St. Dunstan's. Questions are welcome and, as always, there will be snacks!

# Getting Involved in the Liturgy

The most important thing that we do as a community of faith is worship together. The Body of Christ gathers to offer our prayers and praises to God, and as a congregation we make Communion – together. Another word for our collective worship is *liturgy*, which comes from Greek words meaning "work" and "people." As the Church teaches, our "public worship of God is the work of the Christian people." Worship is our primary reason for being, and everyone is invited and encouraged to take part, actively, in Sunday services. Worship is not about performance, but participation. Here are some ways for you to get involved:

- Altar Guild\*
- Flower Guild\*
- Livestream Minister\*
- Greeter
- Acolyte
- Crucifer
- Lector
- Psalm Leader

- Intercessor
- Usher
- Healing Minister\*
- Lay Eucharistic Minister\*
- Children's Chapel Helper
- Snack Angel
- Barista

Every role is important and essential to our worshipping life. In short, there is a job for you (and your children)! Just use the link in the online newsletter to sign up; feel free to reach out to the Rector for more information.

# \* Training provided.



# Serving this Morning

**Presider and Preacher:** The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander

Musicians: Diane Atherton, Ulysses Squitieri, Dashiell

Waterbury, and members of the St.

Dunstan's Chancel Choir

Altar Guild: Marsha Barnes, Augusta Cox, Ann Johnson,

and Michelle Mesen

Flower Guild: Trudy Surut and Anne Tager

**Greeter:** Kiska Williams

**Livestream Minister:** Vince Leonard

**Acolyte:** Connelly Anderson Gomez

Crucifer: Lynne Adduci Leonard

Children's Chapel: Kris Heiberger and Jenna Monroe

**Lector:** Sue Carroll

**Psalm Leaders:** Cami Caudill and Isla Greer

Intercessor: Lynne Adduci Leonard

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Cami Caudill and Rosi Sweeney

**Ushers:** Julie Anderson and Doug McManus

Barista: Fred Smoak

Vestry Member Janet Repka

of the Day:

"Loaves and Fishes"

**Brunch:** The People of St. Dunstan's

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#### Artist's Reflection: "I know the plans I have for you...plans to give you hope and a future."

The rainbow was a sign of God's covenant, hung in the sky to remind God's people of the bond of love between them and their creator. Here you see people hanging the rainbow. Why? Because I think this time when God says "I have plans for you" it is plans to put us to work. God will give us the materials, but it is our job to hang the banner high, and to share God's hope for the future with EVERYONE. Made with painted papers, pigment crayons and glitter glue on cloth, cardboard and glitter cardstock. ~ Sue Carroll, *Liturgical Artist-in-Residence* 

# Parish Leadership

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

# Seminarian's Lay Support Team

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