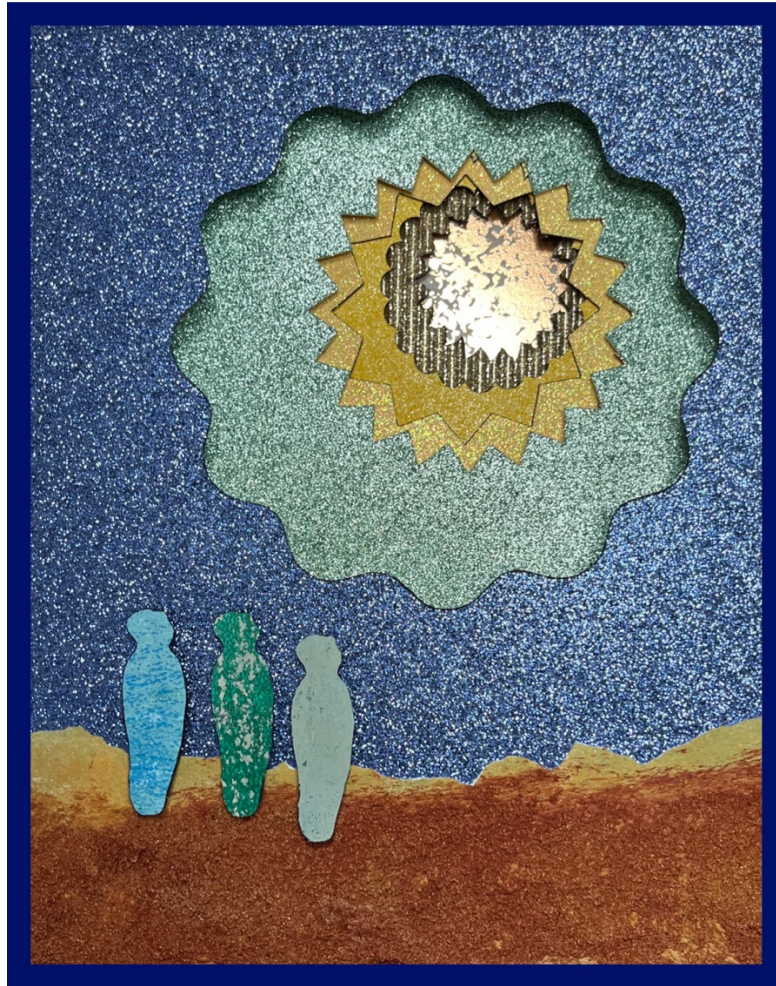


**June 1, 2025**  
**The Sunday after the Ascension**  
**10:30 a.m.: Celebration of Holy Eucharist**  
***with Children's Chapel and Healing Prayers***



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# Welcome to St. Dunstan's

*Instructions for living a life:*

*Pay attention.*

*Be astonished.*

*Tell about it.*

~ Mary Oliver, "Sometimes"



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 **red seat 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 quiet before the service to enable everyone to pray and prepare for worship.*

# The Holy Eucharist

## Prelude

*Improvisation*

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*

## The Liturgy of the Word

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

## Processional Hymn

“Hail thee, festival day!”

Music: *Hymnal*, 216

*Hail thee, festival day!  
blest day that art hallowed for ever,  
day when the Christ ascends,  
high in the heavens to reign.*

He who was nailed to the cross is Lord and ruler of nature;  
all things created on earth sing to the glory of God:

*Refrain*

Daily the loveliness grows, adorned with the glory of blossom;  
heaven her gates unbars, flinging her increase of light:

*Refrain*

God the Creator, the Lord who rulest the earth and the heavens,  
guard us from harm without, cleanse us from evil within:

*Refrain*

Jesus the health of the world, enlighten our minds, thou Redeemer,  
Son of the Father supreme, only-begotten of God:

*Refrain*

Spirit of life and of power, now flow in us, fount of our being,  
light that dost lighten all, life that in all dost abide:

*Refrain*

Praise to the Giver of good! Thou Love who art author of concord,  
pour out thy balm on our souls, order our ways in thy peace:

*Refrain*

## Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

*People* The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

## The Song of Praise

“All glory be to God on high”

*Hymnal, 421*



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from  
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther  
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for  
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and  
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.  
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.  
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

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## The Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Let us pray: Eternal God, between Ascension and the Spirit; between your going and your coming; we await your purpose. Grant us expectant hearts, and give us the vision of your reign. For you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

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

**The Lesson: Acts 1:1-11**

*Lector*      A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

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

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Please join in reciting the Psalm responsively.*

**Psalm 47**

Clap your hands, all you peoples; \*  
**shout to God with a cry of joy.**

For God Most High is to be feared; \*  
**God is the great Sovereign over all the earth.**

God subdues the peoples under us \*  
**and the nations under our feet.**

God chooses our inheritance for us, \*  
**the pride of Jacob whom God loves.**

God has gone up with a shout, \*  
**the Most High with the sound of the ram's-horn.**

*continued*

Sing praises to God, sing praises; \*  
**sing praises to our Sovereign, sing praises.**

For God is Sovereign over all the earth; \*  
**sing praises with all your skill.**

God reigns over the nations; \*  
**God sits upon the holy throne.**

The nobles of the peoples have gathered together \*  
**with the people of the God of Abraham.**

The rulers of the earth belong to God, \*  
**who is highly exalted.**

### **The Epistle: Ephesians 1:15-23**

*Lector*        A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians:

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand and join in singing.*

### **Sequence Hymn**

"Christ, whose glory fills the skies"

Music: *Hymnal*, 7

Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return,  
till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart,  
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine!  
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!  
Fill me, radiance divine;  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.

**The Gospel: Luke 24:44-53**

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you – that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*Presider*      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 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*The Intercessor and People pray responsively*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your Church: For *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop; for *Mariann*, our Bishop; for *Hosam*, Archbishop in Jerusalem; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. We remember especially this week our Priest Intern, *Melissa Carnall Fauci*, who will be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate this Wednesday. Equip her, and all your Church, with compassion and love to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

God of love,

**Hear our prayers for the Church.**

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good and work for peace; for those serving in our Armed Forces, Foreign Service, and Emergency Services; and for ourselves, that we might have the courage to speak out with conviction against hatred and intolerance. Unite the human family in bonds of love.



God of freedom,  
**Hear our prayers for the world.**

God of Creation, we pray for the earth entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all creatures that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst to protect the earth and all its resources, that we may be faithful stewards of the beauty and abundance that you have given us.

God of Creation,  
**Hear our prayers for the earth.**

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those to whom we are connected in the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence, and all held down by prejudice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons. We remember especially those on our Parish Prayer List (*see p. 15*), as well as those others whom we name now, silently or out loud:

*Pause for prayers of petition or intercession*

God of mercy,  
**Hear our prayers for all who are in need.**

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation; for prophets and martyrs; for *Pope John XXIII*, whom the Church remembers this week; and for all the communion of saints.

God of grace,  
**Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

God of glory, we pray with grateful hearts for all the blessings of this life, especially this week for: the graduation of *Frederick Bentley* from Edmund Burke School; the safe birth of *John ("JJ") Donnelly III* (great-grandson of Ray Donnelly and Sue Carroll); and the engagement of *Bill Sander and Jen Kamber*.

God of glory,  
**Hear our prayers of thanks and praise.**

*The Presider concludes*

Holy One, we bless your name and thank you for the gift of this day: May the Light of the world guide us, the Life of the world refresh us, and the Hope of the world be our companion, that we may be the reconciling power of Christ in the world. We ask this for your mercy's sake, **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Presider* May the peace of the Risen Christ be always with you!

*People* **And also with you!**

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

## **Welcome**

The Rector

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our Sovereign, sing praises.

*Psalm 47:6*

## **At the Offertory**

*God Has Smiled on Me*

I. Jones (1940-2008)

The 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 mail a check to the Parish Office.*

## **The Holy Communion**

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

## **The Doxology**

Music: *Hymnal*, 380

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

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

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, through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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:

*Sanctus**Hymnal, S-128*

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

Music: William Mathias (1934-1992). Copyright © 1976 Oxford University Press.

*As you are able, please remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer during Eastertide.*

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 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.”**

*continued*

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 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:

*Presider and People*

**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* The Gifts of God, for 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.*

*Prayers for healing, guidance, or thanksgiving are offered this morning at the prayer desk at the back during Communion and the Postlude.*

## **Music during Communion**

*Break Thou the Bread of Life*

Words: M. A. Lathbury (1841-1913)

Music: W. F. Sherwin (1826-1888)

The St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir

*Remaining seated, please join in singing.*

“Be thou my vision”

Music: *Hymnal*, 488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father; thine own may I be;  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Please stand, as you are able.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Presider*

Let us pray:

*and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

## The Blessing

*Presider*

Walk softly upon the earth. May its beauty forever surround you, its wonders forever astound you. May its wisdom delight you, its music invite you to dance and to play and to sing. May you love and be loved by all that you meet; may you know and practice compassion. And may the blessing of God Almighty be upon you and remain with you – and all those you love – forever, **Amen.**

*Please join in singing.*

## Closing Hymn

“Alleluia! sing to Jesus!,” vv. 1-2, 4

Music: *Hymnal*, 460

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how:  
though the cloud from sight received him,  
when the forty days were o’er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
“I am with you evermore”?

Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

*Please be seated following the hymn.*

**Announcements (see pp. 16-17) and Special Prayers**

*Please stand.*

## The Dismissal

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

## Postlude

*Toccata in E minor*

J. Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*

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*Please remember in prayer:*

George Adams; Julie Anderson; Brad Ashton; Jeff Boesch; Phil and Patti Carroll;  
Bill Cooke; Steve Cooper; Austin Cox; Henry Cox; Kenny Farnsworth;  
Katie Beck Fey; Ben Hull; Frank Libutti; Patricia Mackenzie; Jim McGee;  
Stephen Marcus; Cathy Nerantzis; Rick Nickles; Joyce Nugent;  
Juanita Rilling; Linda Rogers; Shannon Rose; Barbara Sander; Curtis Shively;  
Max Thompson; Jack Tovornik; Sandra Walters; Kristen Wheeler; Ben; Bill;  
David; Farid; Gerald; Grace; Harriet; Julie; Karen; Katherine; Marty; Melanie;  
Sherry; *and* Shiloh

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*Celebrating More Contemporary Saints*

**Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli, Bishop of Rome – Pope John XXIII** – is honored as a saint in the Episcopal Church due to his significant contributions to Christian unity and his global impact as a religious leader. Best known for convening the Second Vatican Council (1962–1965), he promoted modernization within the Roman Catholic Church and fostered greater openness to other Christian traditions. His ecumenical spirit and dedication to dialogue resonated strongly with the Episcopal Church, which values efforts to heal divisions among Christians.

John XXIII's humility, kindness, and pastoral approach—earning him the nickname “the Good Pope”—made him widely admired beyond Catholicism. His advocacy for peace, justice, and reconciliation further solidified his reputation as a bridge-builder among different Christian communities. Recognizing his influence, the Episcopal Church officially includes him in its calendar of saints, typically commemorating him on **June 3 or 4**. This veneration reflects the Episcopal Church's appreciation for leaders who advance unity, understanding, and cooperation among Christians, regardless of denominational boundaries. Pope John XXIII's legacy continues to inspire those committed to ecumenism and the pursuit of peace within the broader Christian family. ~ *Curated by Ray Donnelly*

# Announcements

## Today at St. Dunstan's:

- + **Welcome, Visitors!** We are delighted that you are here and hope you will stay for a few minutes after worship so that we can greet you properly. Please take a **welcome bag** as a token of our gratitude for your presence! *To receive the parish newsletter, please fill out a **visitor form** on the Welcome Table.*
- + **Fellowship Time:** Please come to the **Parish Hall** immediately following worship for a cup of coffee or tea and a snack and some good conversation!
- + **Children's Choir Rehearsal:** All children ages 4 through 12 are invited to sing with Miss Diane in the **Music Room** from **12–1 p.m.**
- + **Adult Formation Hour ~ “Real Talk”:** All are welcome to join this ongoing (biweekly) conversation in the **Parish Hall** at **12 Noon**. Today we welcome special guest speaker **Michelle Dibblee**, the Interim Missioner for Equity and Justice in our Diocese. Please speak with **Lynne Leonard** for further information about “Real Talk.”

## The Week Ahead:

- + **Tuesday, June 3:**
  - **11 a.m.:** “What Now?!” (*Parish Hall*)
  - **12 Noon:** Prayers for Peace and Healing (*Zoom/Facebook*)
- + **Wednesday, June 4:**
  - **Bible Study** will *not* meet this week; the Rector is attending Melissa Fauci's Ordination in New Orleans.
  - **7:30 p.m.:** Chancel Choir Monthly Rehearsal (*Nave*)
- + **Saturday, June 7:**
  - **10 a.m.:** “History on Our Doorstep” – Ranger-led presentation on the 1960 Glen Echo Carousel Protests, followed by picnic lunch (*Glen Echo Park*). Please let **the Rector** know **today** if you'd like to join us. The program and lunch are FREE! *Please see the online newsletter for more information.*
- + **Next Sunday, June 8:**
  - **10:30 a.m.:** **The Feast of Pentecost.** Pentecost (50 days after Easter) is considered the “Birthday of the Church,” when – among other things – the early Christians received the gift of the Holy Spirit and were able to understand various “tongues.” Pentecost is a major feast in the Church, and we will observe it in several special ways:
    - + If your wardrobe allows, **please wear red!**



- + Friend of St. Dunstan's **Dr. Paul Crego** will be our **Guest Preacher**; Paul's sermon will be entitled, "Tearing down Babel."
- + **The Children's Choir** will offer the Song of Praise for the last time this program year.
- + We will observe Pentecost by hearing Acts 2:1-11 in various languages. **If you are able to read in a language other than English**, please consider offering a couple of verses of the Acts passage in that "tongue." To volunteer, please let the **Rector** know by **tomorrow (Monday, June 2)**.
- + During Fellowship Time, we will enjoy **birthday cake** for the Church!
- **12 Noon: Parents' Forum** (*Parish Hall*). Following worship next Sunday, Jenna Monroe, Diane Atherton, and the Rector will talk about children's programming at St. Dunstan's - especially now that we have a cohort of "tweens," in addition to a group of younger members. Please plan to help brainstorm about what would be best for you and your family. We want to do all we can, within the constraints of our resources, to support your children's faith development. We are listening!

### **Coming Up:**

#### + **Monday, June 16:**

- **12 Noon-5 p.m.: American Red Cross Blood Drive** (*Parish Hall*). Please support our annual summer blood drive with the American Red Cross! Each pint of blood we collect can help save up to three lives and will touch the lives of so many more. Register online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor ID "SDECBethesda." For further information, or to volunteer to help, please contact **Fred and Louise Smoak**. Thank you, in advance!

#### + **Monday-Friday, June 23-27:**

- **9 a.m.-12 Noon: Vacation Bible School** (*Parish Hall*). VBS features stories, crafts, service, and music and is open to children entering Kindergarten through Grade 5. Preschoolers may attend accompanied by a parent or caregiver. If you can **volunteer** some time any day that week, please see the **SignUpGenius** in the online newsletter. For more information, please contact **Julie Anderson** at [julie\\_anderson75@hotmail.com](mailto:julie_anderson75@hotmail.com).



## *Serving this Morning*

<b>Presider and Preacher:</b>	The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander
<b>Musicians:</b>	Diane Atherton, Ulysses Squitieri, and the St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Marsha Barnes, Augusta Cox, Ann Johnson, and Michelle Mesen
<b>Flower Guild:</b>	Trudy Surut
<b>Greeter:</b>	Julie Anderson and Connelly Anderson Gomez
<b>Livestream Minister:</b>	Andrew Alexander
<b>Crucifer:</b>	Melissa Carnall Fauci
<b>Children's Chapel:</b>	Julie Anderson and Dan Baker
<b>Lectors:</b>	Melissa Carnall Fauci and Lynne Leonard
<b>Psalm Leader:</b>	Susie Cooper
<b>Intercessor:</b>	Ray Donnelly
<b>Lay Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Lynne Leonard and Rosi Sweeney
<b>Healing Minister:</b>	Melissa Carnall Fauci
<b>Ushers:</b>	Marsha Barnes and Karen Edwards
<b>Barista:</b>	Fred Smoak
<b>Vestry Member of the Day:</b>	Leo Bouma
<b>Snack Angels:</b>	Karen Edwards and Teresa Lee

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## **\*Artist's Reflection: "He was carried up into heaven"**

Both the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts describe the disciples watching what we now call "The Ascension," as Jesus is physically lifted up into heaven. Salvador Dali's very literal depiction of the event (look it up) cannot be surpassed, so I could only aim for something evocative. Here we have a diverse set of disciples standing in the desert (painted pumice gel) looking up into the brilliant sky (stacked layers of glitter paper) as the marbled gold paper I've used to represent Christ recedes into the distance. What does it mean? That the work of the physical Jesus here on earth is done. He is now purely Christ, carrying his earthly experience with him into the eternal presence of God. ~ Sue Carroll, *Liturgical Artist-in-Residence*

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