

**June 21, 2026**  
**The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**10:30 a.m.: Holy Eucharist**  
*with Children's Chapel*



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

## Our Vision:

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



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 Youth Room**. 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 **The Rev. John McDuffie** as our **Guest Presider and Preacher** and **Dr. David Palmer** as our **Guest Pianist**.

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

# The Holy Eucharist

## Prelude

*Be Not Afraid*

B. Dufford (b. 1943)

David Palmer, *piano*

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

## Opening Hymn

“Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord”

*Hymnal, 438*



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!  
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!  
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of his word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.



ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord



in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

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# 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

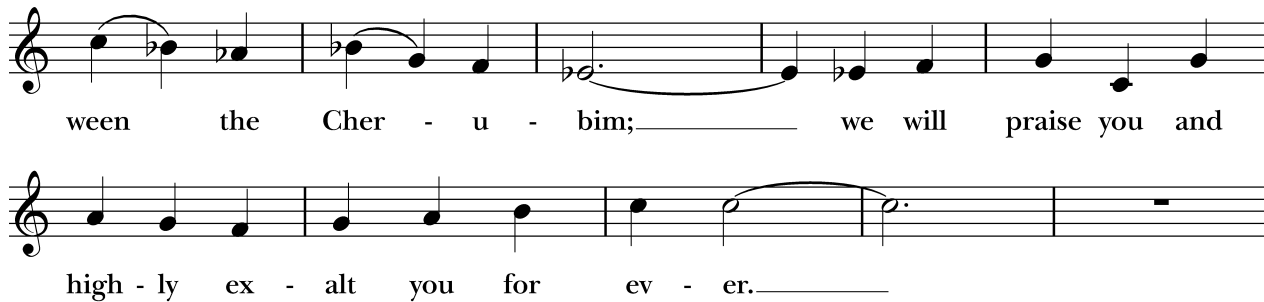
for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will

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 -

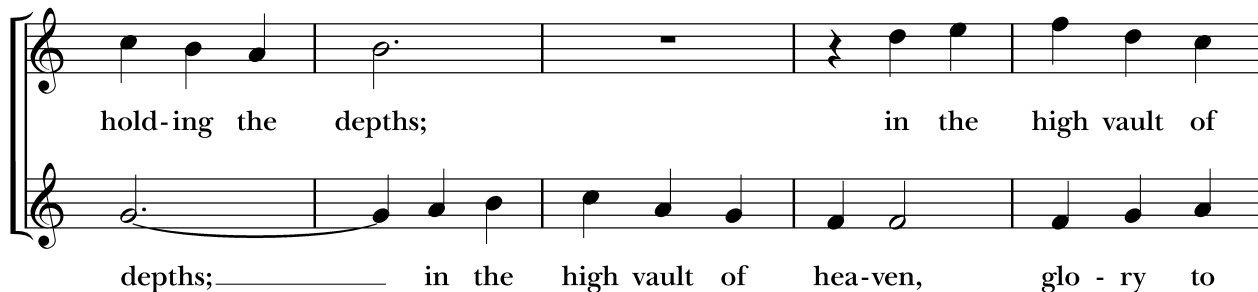


ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and  
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

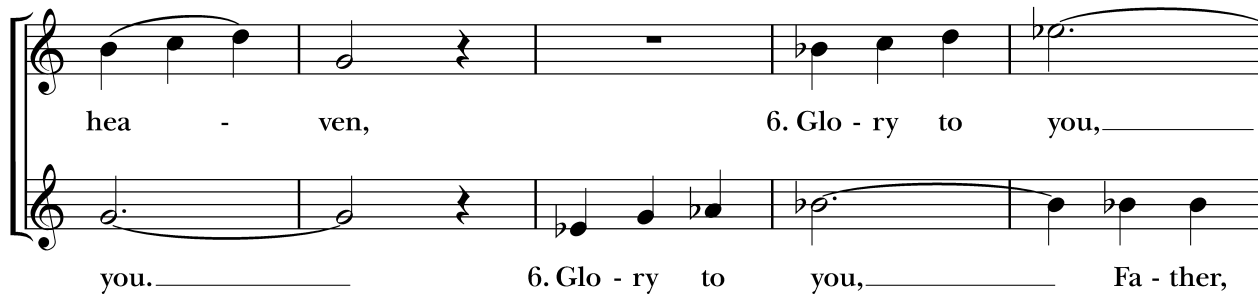
*Descant*



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: O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 **Music Room.***

### The Lesson: Genesis 21:8-21

*Lector* A Reading from the Book of Genesis:

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So

Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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

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

*Please join in reciting the Psalm responsively.*

**Psalm 86:1-7**

Bow down your ear, O God, and answer me,  
**for I am poor and in misery.**

Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful;  
**save your servant, for I put my trust in you.**

Be merciful to me, O God, for you are my God;  
**I call upon you all the day long.**

Gladden the soul of your servant,  
**for to you, O God, I lift up my soul.**

For you, O God, are good and forgiving,  
**and great is your love toward all who call upon you.**

Give ear, O God, to my prayer,  
**and attend to the voice of my supplications.**

In the time of my trouble I will call upon you,  
**for you will answer me.**

*Please stand and join in singing.*

### Sequence Hymn

“His Eye is on the Sparrow”

*Lift Every Voice and Sing, 198*

1. Why should I feel dis - cour - aged, — Why should the shad - ows come, —  
2. “Let not your heart be trou - bled,” — His ten - der word I hear, —  
3. When ev - er I am tempt - ed, — When ev - er clouds a - rise, —

1. Why should my heart be lone - ly, — And long for heav'n and home; — When  
2. And rest - ing on His good - ness, — I lose my doubts and fears; — Though  
3. When songs give place to sigh - ing, — When hope with - in me dies, — I

1. Je - sus is — my por - tion? — My con - stant friend — is He: — His  
2. by the path — He lead - eth, — But one step I — may see; — His  
3. draw the clos - er to Him, — From care He sets — me free; — His

eye is on — the spar - row, — And I know He watch - es me; — His

eye is on the spar - row, — and I know He watch - es me. — I

sing be - cause I'm hap - py, — I sing be - cause I'm free; — For His

eye is on the spar - row, — And I know He watch - es me. —

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### The Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

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

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

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny?

Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

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

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

**The Sermon**

The Rev. John S. McDuffie

*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.**

*\*universal*

## **The Prayers of the People**

*The Deacon and People pray responsively.*

At the end of World Refugee Week, let us bow before the Creator, the God who can count all the feathers on sparrows' wings and all the hairs on our heads, the One who values every form of life and every life, empowered or imperiled.

*Silence*

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 your Church and seek to obey your commandment to love the stranger and the outcast as a neighbor;  
**we pray to you, O Lord.**

For all who govern and hold authority locally, nationally, and internationally; and for all who craft policies that affect refugees and immigrants who live far from home or without shelter and security;  
**we pray to you, O Lord.**

For refugees and asylum seekers, especially *Syed*, *Elyas*, and *Erfan*; for people affected by conflict in Bolivia, Haiti, the Holy Land, Iran, Lebanon, Sudan and South Sudan, Ukraine, the United States, and throughout God's world; and for our neighbors without homes,  
**we pray to you, O Lord.**

For all who suffer from violence, trauma, persecution, or illness of any kind, especially those who have been commended to our Parish Prayer List (*see p. 20*), as well as those others whom we name now, silently or out loud:

*Pause for prayers of petition and intercession*

**We pray to you, O Lord.**

For all who have died, including *Goldie Mayberry*, in whose memory the flowers have been given this morning, and those we now name silently or out loud:

*Pause for prayers of petition and intercession*

## **We pray to you, O Lord.**

In thanksgiving for the ordination to the priesthood yesterday of *The Rev. Emily Elder*, and for the engagement on Friday of *Bailey Jordan* and *William Alexander*. For these and all the blessings of this life,  
**we pray to you, O Lord.**

*The Presider continues*

Faithful God, on this day on which we honor the fathers and father figures in our lives, we ask that you give them wisdom and humility for the task of parenting, and the strength to do well by their children and by you. We remember in particular:

fathers who love and sacrifice for their families, and who raise children  
to achieve dreams thought beyond reach;  
those men who, though without children of their own,  
like fathers have nurtured and cared for us;  
fathers who have failed to be a source of  
strength, comfort, and protection for their children;  
fathers who have lost a child;  
those for whom this day is painful; and  
fathers who have died, whom we now name:

*Pause for prayers for departed fathers*

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

## **The Confession and Absolution**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins to God.

*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*

Let us now offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call upon God's holy Name.

*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**

*Ev'ry Time I feel the Spirit*

W. Dawson (1899-1990)

Diane Atherton, *soprano*

## **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 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Lift Every Voice and Sing, 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

*Please stand or sit.*

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 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.*

*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

*I have decided to follow Jesus*

Text: Ascribed to an Indian Prince

Music: Indian Folk Melody; arr. N. Johnson (1828-1983)

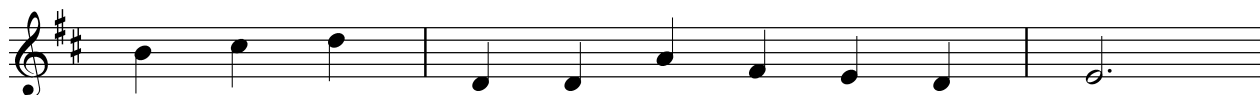
*Remaining seated, please join in singing.*

“Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face”

*Hymnal, 318*



1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;  
2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;  
3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need  
4 Mine is the sin, but thine the right - eous - ness;



here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;  
an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;  
mine is the guilt, but thine the cleans - ing Blood.



here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,  
here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
Here is my robe, my re - fuge, and my peace;



and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.  
here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.  
my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.  
thy Blood, thy right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God.

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*Please stand.*

### The 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

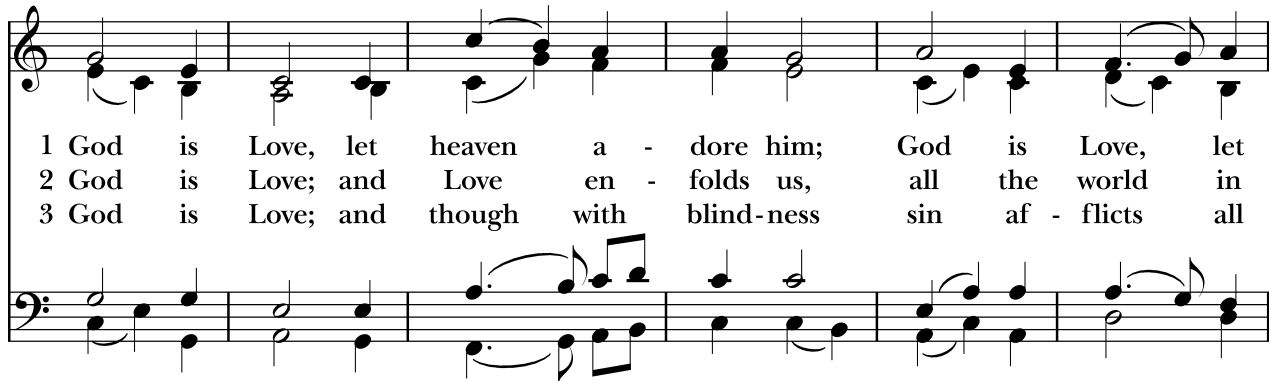
*Presider* May the Peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, and with all those you love, this day and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

*Please join in singing.*

### Closing Hymn

"God is Love, let heaven adore him"

*Hymnal, 379*



1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let  
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in  
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all



earth re - jice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him  
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,  
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind-ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-  
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are  
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through  
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that  
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.  
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.  
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

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*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

*We Know that Christ is Raised and Dies No More*

A. Moore

David Palmer, *piano*

The flowers adorning the Altar this morning are given by **Charles Cash and Jackie Jones**, to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jackie's mother, **Goldie Mayberry**.

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## *For Your Prayers*

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

Chuck Ault; Phil and Patti Carroll; Terry Conroy; Steve Cooper;  
Henry Cox; Traci Dean; 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; Nancy Thoreson;  
Jack Tovornik; Sandra Walters; David Wheeler; Anne; Ben; Bill; Christopher;  
Craig and Robin; 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, the United States, and throughout God's world

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

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## *Announcements*

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

- **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.
- **Fellowship Time:** We hope you will join us in **Founders' Hall** immediately following worship for a cup of coffee or tea and a snack and some good conversation!
- **The Rector** is away today but will return to the office tomorrow, June 22.

***This Week:***

- **Tuesday, June 23:**
  - + **10 a.m.: Green Team Post-Construction Meeting** (*Pollinator Garden*)
- **Wednesday, June 24:**
  - + **10:30 a.m.: Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke** (*Zoom*)
- **Thursday, June 25:**
  - + **12 Noon: Prayers for Peace and Healing** (*Zoom*)
  - + **3:30-5:30 p.m.: Potluck and Ice Cream Social with Little Falls Village** (*Parish Hall*). Come meet our friends from Little Falls Village for a potluck event celebrating the start of the summer! Reconnect with old friends and make some new ones over a delicious meal, followed by ice cream! This event is **free and open to all**, but we ask that you please **register in advance** using the link in the **newsletter**.
- **Next Sunday, June 28:**
  - + **10:30 a.m.: Pride Sunday and June Anniversary and Birthday Prayers**
- **Monday-Friday, July 13-17:**
  - + **9 a.m.-12 Noon: Vacation Bible School ~ Compassion Camp** (*Parish Hall/Grounds*). All children entering Kindergarten through Grade 5 are invited to participate in VBS as campers; older children are encouraged to serve as Junior Counselors. Fee: \$50 per camper (max. \$100 per family). Come join the fun! To register your child, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/VBS2026-STD>. To lend a hand with VBS, please contact **Julie Anderson**: [julie\\_anderson75@hotmail.com](mailto:julie_anderson75@hotmail.com).



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
*Open to rising K-5.*  
**July 13 to 17 - 9 to Noon**

Co-Hosted by St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church and Westmoreland Congregational United Church of Christ  
More info & Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/VBS2026-STD>  
Held @ St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church  
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**COMPASSION CAMP**  
*what every young thing needs*

The poster features a yellow background with a green border. At the top, the text 'VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL' is written in large, bold, black letters. Below it, 'Open to rising K-5.' is written in a smaller, italicized font. A red banner contains the dates 'July 13 to 17 - 9 to Noon' in white. On the right side, there is a graphic of a heart with a green banner across it that says 'COMPASSION CAMP' in white. Below the heart, the phrase 'what every young thing needs' is written in a curved, blue font. At the bottom left, there is a QR code. At the bottom center, there is text providing information about the co-hosts, registration, and location.

## *Serving this Morning*

<b>Presider and Preacher:</b>	The Rev. John S. McDuffie
<b>Deacon:</b>	The Rev. Jessica Ault
<b>Musicians:</b>	Diane Atherton and David Palmer
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Marsha Barnes, Ann Johnson, and Michelle Mesen
<b>Flower Guild:</b>	Julie Anderson
<b>Child Care:</b>	Lila Saidi and Sany Saidi
<b>Greeter:</b>	Kiska Williams
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Connelly Anderson Gomez
<b>Children's Chapel:</b>	Julie Anderson and Jenna Monroe
<b>Lector:</b>	Cami Caudill
<b>Psalm Leader:</b>	Sue Carroll
<b>Lay Eucharistic Minister:</b>	Cami Caudill
<b>Ushers:</b>	David and Janet Repka
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Elin Botha, Nancy Douglas, Cindy Mathis, and Fred Smoak
<b>Vestry Member of the Day:</b>	Michelle Mesen

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## \*Artist's Reflection

I imagine that lifting my soul to God means taking something shiny from deep within me – from the tips of my toes – and sending it all the way up and out. So here we have sequins and shiny beads pouring up and out, against a background of silk chiffon and dyed cheesecloth needle-felted onto a felt backing.

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

## 🎵 *Music Notes* 🎵

*Celebrating Juneteeth, we have chosen several pieces of music in today's service that are well-known spirituals, composed by African American composers.*

**William Levi Dawson (1898-1990)**, composer of *Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit*, was an African American composer, choir director, and professor specializing in Black religious folk music. Dawson was born in Alabama to Eliza Starkey and William Dawson, a former slave and illiterate day laborer. He is most famous for mentoring the 100-voice choir at Tuskegee's School of Music which opened Radio City Music Hall in New York in 1932. The choir also performed that year for President Herbert Hoover at Hyde Park, New York and for future president Franklin D Roosevelt. In 1946 the choir broke the race barrier at the DAR Constitution Hall, becoming the first African Americans to perform there. Dawson's compositions include chamber music, orchestral and choral music and popular songs such as "Ezekiel saw the wheel," "Jesus walked the lonesome valley," and "Talk about a child that do love Jesus." He is buried at Tuskegee University, where his legacy continues through the Golden Ages Choir.

~ Adapted by Diane Atherton from <https://www.aso.org/artists/detail/william-l-dawson>

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