

**August 10, 2025**  
**The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**10:30 a.m.: Celebration of Holy Eucharist**  
***with Children's Chapel***



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# Welcome to St. Dunstan's

*To clasp the hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising  
against the disorder of the world.*

~ Karl Barth



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.



*Today we welcome Aurelio Dominguez as our Guest Cantor.*

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

## **The Holy Eucharist**

### **Prelude**

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*

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

### **Processional Hymn**

“The God of Abraham praise”

Music: *Hymnal*, 401

The God of Abraham praise,  
who reigns enthroned above;  
Ancient of everlasting days,  
and God of love;  
the Lord, the great I AM,  
by earth and heaven confessed:  
we bow and bless the sacred Name  
for ever blest.

He by himself hath sworn:  
we on his oath depend;  
we shall, on eagle-wings upborne,  
to heaven ascend:  
we shall behold his face,  
we shall his power adore,  
and sing the wonders of his grace  
for evermore.

There dwells the Lord, our King,  
the Lord, our Righteousness,  
triumphant o’er the world and sin,  
the Prince of Peace;  
on Zion’s sacred height  
his kingdom he maintains,  
and, glorious with his saints in light,  
for ever reigns.

*continued*

The God who reigns on high  
the great archangels sing,  
and “Holy, holy, holy,” cry,  
“Almighty King!  
Who was, and is, the same,  
and evermore shall be:  
eternal Father, great I AM,  
we worship thee.”

The whole triumphant host  
give thanks to God on high;  
“Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!”  
they ever cry;  
hail, Abraham’s Lord divine!  
With heaven our songs we raise;  
all might and majesty are thine,  
and endless praise.

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

### **Opening Acclamation**

*Presider*      Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*People*        **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

### **The Collect for Purity**

*Presider*      Almighty God,  
*and People*    **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no  
secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord,  
Amen.**

## Song of Praise

“In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful”

Taizé chant

*Sung three times*

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord

I will re - joice! Look to God,

do not be a - fraid; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is

near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Presider* God be with you.

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

*Presider* Let us pray: Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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 participate in Children's Chapel in the Youth Room.*

## **The Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

*Lector* A Reading from the Book of Hebrews:

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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

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

*Please join in reciting the psalm responsively.*

**Psalm 33:12-22**

Happy is the nation that worships you, O Most High; \*  
**happy the people you have chosen to be your own!**

You look down from heaven \*  
**and behold all the people in the world.**

From where you sit enthroned you turn your gaze \*  
**on all who dwell on the earth.**

You fashion all the hearts of them \*  
**and understand all their works.**

There is no ruler that can be saved by a mighty army; \*  
**the strong are not delivered by their great strength.**

The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; \*  
**for all its strength it cannot save.**

But your eye, O God, is upon those who fear you, \*  
**on those who wait upon your love,**

To pluck their lives from death, \*  
**and to feed them in time of famine.**

Our soul waits for you; \*  
**you are our help and our shield.**

Indeed, our heart rejoices in you, \*  
**for in your holy Name we put our trust.**

Let your loving-kindness, O God, be upon us, \*  
**as we have put our trust in you.**

*Please stand and join in singing.*

**Sequence Hymn**

“We walk by faith, and not by sight”

Music: *Hymnal*, 209

We walk by faith, and not by sight;  
no gracious words we hear  
from him who spoke as none e’er spoke;  
but we believe him near.

We may not touch his hands and side,  
nor follow where he trod;  
but in his promise we rejoice,  
and cry, “My Lord and God!”

*continued*

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;  
and may our faith abound,  
to call on you when you are near,  
and seek where you are found:  
that, when our life of faith is done,  
in realms of clearer light  
we may behold you as you are,  
with full and endless sight.

**The Gospel: Luke 12:32-40**

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

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

**The Sermon**

The Rector

*After a moment of silence, please stand.*



## **The Nicene Creed**

*Presider 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, *Mariann*, our Bishop, *Eugene*, our Assisting Bishop, and *Hosam*, Archbishop in Jerusalem; and for all who serve God in the Church. As well, we remember this week the faithful witness of *Florence Nightingale* and *Jonathan Myrick Daniels*, whom the Church honors on our liturgical calendar. Equip us with the compassion, courage, and love to follow their examples and carry out your work of healing and 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, and for Federal workers, members of our Armed Forces, Foreign Service, and Emergency Services. Inspire all people with the courage to speak out against hatred, and unite the human family in bonds of love.

God of freedom,

**Hear our prayers for the world.**

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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: Those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those to whom we are connected in the human family. We remember the peoples of Gaza, Haiti, Israel, Russia, South Sudan, Sudan, and Ukraine; refugees and displaced persons; victims and survivors of gun violence; those impacted by recent earthquakes, flooding, volcanoes, and wildfires; and the unhoused, unemployed, and underemployed. Help us honor our vow to respect the dignity of every human being.

We remember especially those commended to our Parish Prayer List (*see p. 16*) and those we name now, silently or aloud:

*Pause for prayers of petition and 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; and for all the communion of saints. We remember especially this week *Richard Rader, Elizabeth Roberts Smith* (in whose memory the flowers have been given), and those we name now, silently or aloud:

*Pause for prayers for the departed*

God of grace,

**Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

*The Presider concludes*

Creating God, your reign of love makes all things new: Plant seeds of confidence and gladness in our hearts, so that, trusting your word, we may live no longer for ourselves but for him who died and was raised for us, Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

## **The Confession and Absolution**

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and one another.

*A brief silence*

*Presider* God of all mercy,  
*and People* **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**

Sing songs to God's name, for God has brought us into fresh waters when we were thirsty. God has fed us with the Bread of Life when we were starving.

God has sustained us along all our days and never has put us to shame.

Let us give thanks to our good Lord for such abundant goodness.

### **At the Offertory**

*My Lord what a morning*

arr. H. T. Burleigh (1866–1949)

Aurelio Dominguez, *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 <https://stdunstansbethesda.org/support/donate.html> or mail a check to the Parish Office.*

## **The Holy Communion**

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

### **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 B

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

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

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*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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Sanctus*

*Hymnal, S-128*

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.

*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:

*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.**

*continued*

**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**

“My Shepherd, you supply my need”

I. Watts (1674-1748)

Aurelio Dominguez, *tenor*

*Remaining seated, please join in singing.*

“Dear Lord and Father of mankind”

Music: *Hymnal*, 653

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word,  
rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity  
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.

*Please stand.*

### **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 God of love bless you and keep you.

May Jesus the Christ smile upon you and be gracious toward you.

May the Spirit of truth lead you in the path of wisdom and peace.

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.*

### **Closing Hymn**

“Lord of all hopefulness”

Music: *Hymnal*, 482

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,  
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

*continued*

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,  
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,  
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

*Please be seated following the hymn.*

**Announcements** (*see pp. 18-19*)

*Please stand.*

### **The Dismissal**

*Presider* Let us go forth in the Name of Christ!

*People* **Thanks be to God!**

### **Postlude**

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*

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The flowers adorning the Altar this morning are given by  
**The Rev. Patty Alexander**, to the Glory of God and  
in thanksgiving for the life of her grandmother, **Elizabeth Roberts Smith**,  
on the anniversary of her birth.

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***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 Gaudio; Ben Hull; David Hull; Frank Libutti;  
Patricia Mackenzie; Jim McGee; Elena Marchetti and the Marchetti family;  
Cathy Nerantzis; Rick Nickles; Joyce Nugent; Linda Rogers; Shannon Rose;  
Curtis Shively; Tom Shimkin; Max Thompson; Jack Tovornik; Peggy Vaughn;  
Sandra Walters; David Wheeler; Ben; Bill; Christopher; David; Farid; Gerald;  
Grace; Henry; Julie; Karen; Katherine; Marty; Melanie; Sherry; *and* Shiloh



### ***Celebrating More Contemporary Saints***

*Part of our rich Anglican tradition is the commemoration of significant figures in the history of The Episcopal Church who have set an example of “saintly living” for the rest of us. These noteworthy individuals are remembered on the liturgical calendar of the Church, and their biographies are anthologized in Lesser Feasts and Fasts. This week we feature **Florence Nightingale**, whose feast day is **August 12**, and **Jonathan Myrick Daniels**, commemorated on **August 14**.*

**Florence Nightingale** was an advocate for the poor and vulnerable: She devoted her life to the care of those in need, often at great personal sacrifice, becoming an icon of compassion against suffering. She is recognized as a saint due to her profound impact on nursing, hospital reform, and her life of Christian service. She revolutionized patient care advocating for proper sanitation, compassion, and dignity for the sick and wounded. And as a social reformer she addressed issues beyond medical care, such as improving soldiers’ ability to send money home, establishing reading rooms, and ensuring educational opportunities for patients. Florence Nightingale was deeply religious, believing her nursing was a divine vocation and viewing nurses as “handmaidens of the Lord.” Her mystical experiences and strong sense of God’s calling were central to her work and spirituality. The Episcopal Church honors her as an embodiment of Christian service, sacrificial love, practical faith, and advocacy for the marginalized.

**Jonathan Myrick Daniels** is recognized as a saint and martyr in the Episcopal Church because of his exemplary Christian commitment, self-sacrifice, and courageous advocacy during the civil rights movement. Daniels, a seminarian, responded to Martin Luther King, Jr.’s call in 1965 for clergy and seminary students to aid in registering Black voters in Alabama. He became deeply involved in civil rights activities, helping to integrate churches and risking his safety to stand against racial injustice. On August 20, 1965, Daniels died while shielding 17-year-old Ruby Sales, a Black civil rights activist, from a shotgun blast during a confrontation in Hayneville, Alabama. Daniels took the full force of the attack, saving Sales’ life. His death shocked the Episcopal Church and galvanized further support for the civil rights movement, highlighting the Church’s role in advocating for justice and reconciliation. Daniels continually worked to integrate local churches and promote nonviolence, embodying the Gospel’s call to love one’s neighbor—actions that inspired both his contemporaries and later generations. He was added to the Episcopal Church calendar as a martyr in 1991, recognized for his faith-driven advocacy and ultimate sacrifice. ~ Curated by Ray Donnelly

# Announcements

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

- + **Welcome, Visitors!** We are delighted that you are here and hope that you can stay for a few minutes after worship so that we can greet you properly. To learn more about St. Dunstan's, please fill out a **visitor form**, found on the table in the entry hall, and help yourself to a **welcome bag** as a token of our gratitude that you have joined us today.
- + **Fellowship Time:** Come share a cup of coffee or tea, a snack, and good conversation in the **Parish Hall** immediately following this service!
- + Please stay for this week's **Adult Formation Forum** at **12 Noon** in the **Parish Hall**. Liturgical Artist-in-Residence **Sue Carroll** and reflect on the art she has created in response to the Scripture readings. What do you see? What might God be saying to *you* through the piece? No preparation is required: Just come take part in the discussion!

## **The Week Ahead:**

- + **Tuesday, August 12:**
  - **12 Noon: Prayers for Peace and Healing** (*Zoom and Facebook\**)
- + **Wednesday, August 13:**
  - **10:30 a.m.: Bible Study on The Gospel of Luke** (*Zoom\**)
- + **Thursday, August 14:**
  - **2 p.m.: August Book Discussion Group** (*Zoom\**). This month's selection is *How to Read a Book*, by Monica Wood (2024). All are welcome to participate, whether you've read the book, or not!

## **Other Announcements:**

- + **Summer Nave Gallery Exhibit:** "The Life and Lessons of Jesus" is the theme for this collection of works from St. Dunstan's Liturgical Artist-in-Residence, Sue Carroll. If you move clockwise around the Nave, the story unfolds in sequence – but of course you are welcome to just ponder any piece that catches your eye. Posted by each piece is an explanation of the scripture and imagery in use. As always, the framed originals are for sale at \$225, with 100% of the proceeds going directly to St. Dunstan's. Please contact Sue ([liturgicalart@stdunstansbethesda.org](mailto:liturgicalart@stdunstansbethesda.org)) if you are interested in making a purchase.

*\* See online newsletter for link*

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# CHILDREN'S CHOIR CAMP

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

10:00 AM – 4.00 PM

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<b>Musicians:</b>	Aurelio Dominguez and Ulysses Squitieri
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Marsha Barnes, Augusta Cox, Ann Johnson, and Michelle Mesen
<b>Flower Guild:</b>	Trudy Surut
<b>Greeter:</b>	Kiska Williams
<b>Livestream Minister:</b>	Vince Leonard
<b>Acolyte and Crucifer:</b>	Connelly Anderson Gomez
<b>Children's Chapel:</b>	Colin Flynn and Jenna Monroe
<b>Lector:</b>	Fred Atwood
<b>Psalm Leader:</b>	Lynne Leonard
<b>Intercessor:</b>	Diane Adams
<b>Lay Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Sue Carroll and Lynne Leonard
<b>Ushers:</b>	Julie Anderson and Elin Botha
<b>Barista:</b>	Fred Smoak
<b>Snack Angel:</b>	Elin Botha
<b>Vestry Member of the Day:</b>	Doug McManus

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## **Artist's Reflection: "They desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one."**

The letter to the Hebrews recalls figures such as Moses, Abraham and Isaac, who had total faith in God and in the future that he promised them. However, "all of these died in faith without having received the promises" themselves. I have long felt sad for Moses, who saw the Promised Land but was never able to reach it. And now I am sad for myself and others around me, struggling with disillusionment about our country. We see the liberties promised by our founders being trampled. Fear, anger and the lust for power puts more value on guns and money than human lives. I hope to follow the model of those Old Testament faithful, who kept the vision of where God was leading them, even if they never got to live in the "heavenly" kingdom on earth themselves. I hope to keep the faith, and do what I can to move us all forward, toward something better.

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

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