

October 26, 2025
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 a.m.: Celebration of Holy Eucharist
with Children's Chapel and Anniversary and Birthday Prayers



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Welcome to St. Dunstan's!

The first law of our being is that we are set in a delicate network of interdependence with our fellow human beings and with the rest of God's creation.

~ Archbishop Desmond Tutu (1931-2022),
God Has a Dream



Thank you for choosing to worship with St. Dunstan's this morning! We are a community of seekers doing our best to live authentically and faithfully in this challenging and complicated world, and we are delighted that you are sharing the journey with us today.

Children are *always* welcome here; please make yourself and your family at home. There are coloring sheets on the round table between the glass doors, as well as books and soft toys at the back of the church. Rest assured: We are delighted by the “joyful noise” that children inevitably make, *and* don't worry if you feel you need to take your child out of the service for a few minutes.



Babysitting for children 4 and under is provided **downstairs in the Nursery**. **For everyone's safety, registration is required:** Please scan the QR code to the left to sign up. *To learn more about offerings for children and families, please share your contact information on the clipboard on the Welcome Table.*

Restrooms are located in the hallway by the glass doors.

If you find the wooden pews uncomfortable, feel free to borrow a **cushion** from the rear of the Nave for use during worship.

Please wear a **name tag**! Permanent name tags are on the board in the entry hall. If you don't yet have a permanent tag, please use a stick-on badge until we can make you an official one.

Unless otherwise noted, music for this morning's **hymns** may be found in the blue *Hymnal 1982* or the red and black *Lift Every Voice and Sing* in your pew rack.

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

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Improvisation

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*

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

Processional Hymn

“Come, thou fount of every blessing”

Music: *Hymnal*, 686

Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,
mount of God’s unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure;
hither, by thy help, I’ve come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I’m constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here’s my heart, oh, take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.

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. _____

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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 Youth Room.

The Lesson: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

Lector A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah:

Although our iniquities testify against us,
 act, O Lord, for your name's sake;
our apostasies indeed are many,
 and we have sinned against you.
O hope of Israel,
 its savior in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
 like a traveler turning aside for the night?
Why should you be like someone confused,
 like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?
Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us,
 and we are called by your name;
 do not forsake us!
Thus says the Lord concerning this people:
Truly they have loved to wander,
 they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the Lord does not accept them,
 now he will remember their iniquity
 and punish their sins.
Have you completely rejected Judah?
 Does your heart loathe Zion?
Why have you struck us down
 so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace, but find no good;
 for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord,
the iniquity of our ancestors,
for we have sinned against you.
Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonor your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant with us.
Can any idols of the nations bring rain?
Or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O Lord our God?
We set our hope on you,
for it is you who do all this.

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

Please join in reciting the psalm responsively.

Psalm 84:1-6

How dear to me is your dwelling, O God of hosts!
**My soul has a desire and longing for your courts; my heart and my flesh
rejoice in the living God.**

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest
where she may lay her young,
by the side of your altars, O God of hosts, my Ruler and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house;
they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you;
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height;
the God of gods will be revealed in Zion.

Please stand and join in singing.

Sequence Hymn

"O Love of God, how strong and true"

Hymnal, 455

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The Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

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

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

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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

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 Intercessor and People pray responsively

Friends in Christ, God invites us to hold the needs of our siblings as dear to us as our own needs. Loving our neighbors as ourselves, we offer our thanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the Church and the world.

Give life to your Church and to your people, strengthen us when we are weak, embolden us when we are afraid, and show us how to follow your Son more perfectly. We remember *Sarah*, our Archbishop of Canterbury-designate; *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop; *Mariann*, our Bishop; *Eugene*, our Assisting Bishop; *Hosam*, Archbishop in Jerusalem; and all who minister in your Name.

We set our hope on you, O God;

O God, hear our prayer.

Give wisdom to all leaders and a servant's heart to those entrusted with public office. May the President, the Vice President, Members of Congress, and Supreme Court work for freedom, equity, and justice.

We set our hope on you, O God;

O God, hear our prayer.

Give lasting peace and reconciliation to the peoples of Gaza, Haiti, Israel, Russia, South Sudan, Sudan, Ukraine, the United States, and all those places of your world torn apart by war, violence, greed, or hunger for power.

We set our hope on you, O God;

O God, hear our prayer.

Give healing and wholeness to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our parish Prayer List (*see p. 16*), and those we name now, silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers of petition and intercession

We set our hope on you, O God;

O God, hear our prayer.

Give eternal peace and comfort to the dead and dying, and bring consolation to all who grieve. We remember before you today *Lia Smith*, and those whom we name now, silently or out loud:

Pause for prayers for the departed

We set our hope on you, O God;

O God, hear our prayer.

continued

Give loving, joyful, and grateful hearts to all gathered here today, that this might be a place of hope for us and for our neighbors. We give you thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially those we name now, silently or out loud:

Pause for prayers of thanksgiving

We set our hope on you, O God;
O God, hear our prayer.

The Presider concludes

Renew and refresh us, O God, that we may bring others into the glory of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A brief silence

Presider and People Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name, 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

God of wonder, how lovely is your dwelling place!
Our hearts sing for joy to you, the living God.

*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.*

At the Offertory
Psalm 84

R. Woehr

St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir
Heather Fetrow and Diane Atherton, *soloists*

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

EW, Eucharistic Prayer 1

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 truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Hymnal, S-125

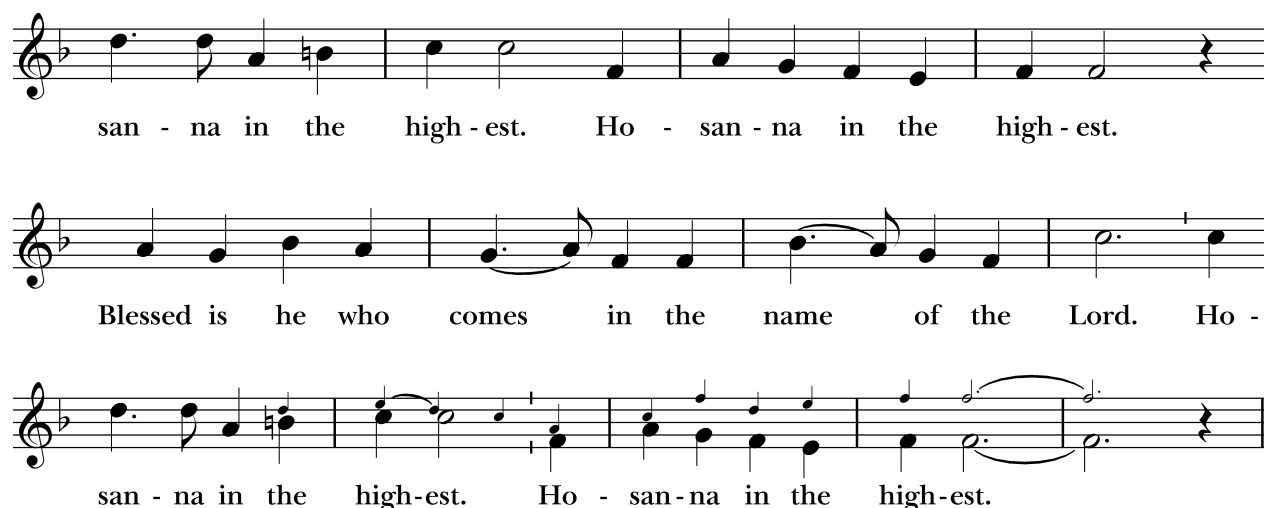


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

continued



Please stand, kneel, or sit.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

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

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your Creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Dunstan, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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 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

Lord forever at thy side

O. Gibbons (1583-1625)

St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir

Please join in singing.

“All my hope on God is founded,” vv. 1-3

Hymnal, 665

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Please stand.

Prayer after Communion

Presider

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

May we remain open to wonder and mystery, to what is strange and new and precious in each child of God, that we might walk in the light of hope. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, and all those you love, always, **Amen.**

Please join in singing.

Closing Hymn

“Gracious Spirit, give your servants”

Wonder, Love, and Praise, 782

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's
2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our
3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -
4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,

cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,
 great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
 ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,
 un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,

peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of
 to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -
 turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and
 right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you

glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and
 pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior
 fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -
 mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the

show God's fa - vor as a peo - ple called and blessed.
 and our Shep - herd, lead us to the truth that frees.
 ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.
 world be - hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

Please be seated following the hymn.

Announcements and October Anniversary and Birthday Prayers

For Those Celebrating Anniversaries

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

For Those Celebrating Birthdays

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

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

Happy birthday to you!

Happy birthday to you!

Happy birthday, God bless you!

Happy birthday to you!

The Dismissal

Presider Let us bless the Lord!

People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in C minor, BWV 549

J.S Bach (1685-1750)

Ulysses Squitieri, *organ*



Please remember in prayer:

Julie Anderson; Jeff Boesch; Rebecca Bryant; Phil and Patti Carroll; Austin Cox;
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Karen; Katherine; Marty; Melanie; Phyllis; Sherry; *and* Shiloh

Announcements

Today at St. Dunstan's:

- + **Welcome, Visitors!** We are delighted that you are here, and we hope 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!
- + Children are invited to a **Halloween Party** at **12 p.m.** in the **Music Room!**



The Week Ahead:

- + **Tuesday, October 28:**
 - **12 Noon: Prayers for Peace and Healing** (*Zoom**)
- + **Wednesday, October 29:**
 - **10:30 a.m.: Bible Study on The Gospel of Luke** (*Zoom**)
- + **Next Sunday, November 2:**
 - **10:30 a.m.: All Saints' Sunday** (*Nave*). **The Feast of All Saints** is one of the most important days on the Christian calendar - the day on which we honor not only the historical Saints, but also our loved ones who "rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light." If you would like to add a name to be read in that liturgy, please complete the **Google form** in the **newsletter** by **Thursday, October 30 at 12 noon**; feel free to share multiple names. (If it's easier, feel free to send Patty your names at rector@stdunstansbethesda.org.)

Also: If you would like to sponsor **Altar flowers** for our worship on All Saints' Sunday, please email Patty to let us know the names of those whom you wish to honor with a special dedication. We kindly ask for a donation of **fifty dollars (\$50.00)** for flowers: please write a check payable to St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church (memo: "Flowers") and place it in the Sunday offering or send it to the Parish Office. Please let us know by **Thursday, October 30** if you would like to contribute to the All Saints' flowers.

**See link in online newsletter*

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On behalf of the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry, **thank you** to the following individuals and households who have pledged their support to the 2025 St. Dunstan's Capital Campaign, *Growing in Faith, Building the Future*:

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Our pledge total is now \$919,900...Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow!

Pledge Level	Number of Pledges to Date
\$1-999	7
1,000-4,999	9
5,000-9,999	4
10,000-14,999	4
15,000-19,999	3
20,000-24,999	2
25,000-49,999	3
50,000-99,999	5
100,000-149,999	2
150,000+	1

Serving this Morning

Presider and Preacher:	The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander
Musicians:	Diane Atherton, Heather Fetrow, Ulysses Squitieri, and The St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir
Altar Guild:	Marsha Barnes, Augusta Cox, Ann Johnson, and Michelle Mesen
Flower Guild:	Trudy Surut
Greeter:	Kiska Williams
Livestream Minister:	Karen Kosiba Edwards
Acolyte:	Connelly Anderson Gomez
Crucifer:	Cami Caudill
Children's Chapel:	Dan Baker and Jenna Monroe
Lector:	Marsha Barnes
Psalm Leader:	Julie Anderson
Intercessor:	Diane Adams
Lay Eucharistic Ministers:	Cami Caudill and Ray Donnelly
Ushers:	David and Janet Repka
Barista:	Fred Smoak
Vestry Member of the Day:	
Snack Angel:	Janet Repka

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The Blessing:

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Artist's Reflection: "*The sparrow has found her a house.*" The Psalmist tells us that the sparrow has found a house, and "the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O LORD." Later, in verse 4, it is stated "Happy are the people whose strength is in you! Whose hearts are set on the pilgrim's way." So this bird has found a house built with the words of the Psalm; she is taking shelter in the comfort of God's promises. I have felt like a pilgrim in a strange land, lately, trying to make my way through the unknown. The psalm is a reminder that my strength is in my God.

The background, tree and leaves are made of silk chiffon "needle felted" onto a wool felt background. The bird and her house are paper; the flowers are sequins.

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