

September 7, 2025
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Season of Creation, Week 1
10:30 a.m.: Celebration of Holy Eucharist
with Children's Chapel and Healing Prayers



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Welcome to St. Dunstan's!

You voice the worlds into being,
You voice the church into obedience,
You voice us, now and then, into newness,
You speak and call into existence that which does not exist.

You speak and address us,
and make all things new...

You speak and we are,
You listen and we are voiced,
always again on our way rejoicing. Amen.

~ From Walter Brueggemann,
"On Reading Psalm 1"



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

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

Restrooms are located in the hallway by the glass doors.

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

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

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

*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 Church’s one foundation”

Music: *Hymnal*, 525

The Church’s one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word:
heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o’er all the earth,
her charter of salvation,
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy Name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed;
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, “How long?”
and soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

continued

Mid toil and tribulation,
 and tumult of her war
 she waits the consummation
 of peace for evermore;
 till with the vision glorious
 her longing eyes are blessed,
 and the great Church victorious
 shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
 with God, the Three in One,
 and mystic sweet communion
 with those whose rest is won.

O happy ones and holy!
 Lord, give us grace that we
 like them, the meek and lowly,
 on high may dwell with thee.

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

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

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Song of Praise for the Season of Creation

“Sing praise to God who reigns above”

Hymnal, 408



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -
 2 What God's al-might - y power hath made, his gra - cious mer - cy
 3 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly Name give God all praise and



a - tion, the God of power, the God of love, the God of
 keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade his watch - ful
 glo - ry; let all who know his power pro - claim a - loud the



our sal - va - tion; with heal - ing balm my soul he fills, and
 eye ne'er sleep - eth. With - in the king - dom of his might, lo!
 won - drous sto - ry! Cast each false i - dol from its throne, the



ev - ery faith - less mur - mur stills: to God all praise and glo - ry.
All is just and all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry.
Lord is God, and he a - lone: to God all praise and glo - ry.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray: Grant us, O God, the courage to choose Jesus' way even at great cost, bearing our cross and releasing our possessions, for the liberation and healing of your world; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever, **Amen.**

Please be seated.

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

The Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Lector A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy:

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please join in reciting the psalm responsively.

Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the Holy One, *
and they meditate on that law day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous;

For the Holy One knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Please stand and join in singing.

Sequence Hymn

“His Eye is on the Sparrow”

Music: *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, 191

Why should I feel discouraged,
Why should the shadows come,
Why should my heart be lonely,
And long for heav’n and home;
When Jesus is my portion?
My constant friend is He:

*His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me;*

*His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He watches me.*

*I sing because I’m happy,
I sing because I’m free;
For His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.*

“Let not your heart be troubled,”
His tender word I hear,
And resting on His goodness,
I lose my doubts and fears;
Though by the path He leadeth,
But one step I may see;

*His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me;
His eye is on the sparrow,
and I know He watches me.
I sing because I’m happy,
I sing because I’m free;
For His eye is on the sparrow,
And I know He watches me.*

When ever I am tempted,
When ever clouds arise,
When songs give place to sighing,
I draw the closer to Him,
From care He sets me free;

Refrain

The Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

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

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

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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 lift our hearts and minds to God.

Silence

We remember the leaders of your Church: *Sean*, our Presiding Bishop; *Mariann*, our Bishop; *Eugene*, our Assisting Bishop; *Hosam*, Archbishop in Jerusalem; and all those called to lay or ordained ministry. May we all, by our love and witness, be bearers of joy and encouragement.

Merciful God,
refresh our hearts.

We remember those who serve: Federal workers; members of our Armed Forces, Foreign Service, and Emergency Services; and those entrusted with leadership in this and every land. May all in positions of authority choose ways of life and not

paths of death. Deliver the peoples of Gaza, Haiti, Israel, Russia, Ukraine, and all the nations of the world from violence and war. Set our feet on the way of peace.

Merciful God,

refresh our hearts.

We remember your Creation: Help us to be faithful to our call as protectors and stewards of the environment. Forgive us when our choices cause death where you intend life. May we ever celebrate and give thanks for this beautiful world that you have made.

Merciful God,

refresh our hearts.

We remember in our prayers this congregation: Bless our ministries, and raise up more participants to serve in our worship of you. May we encourage one another to delight in you.

Merciful God,

refresh our hearts.

We remember in our prayers all who are in pain in body, mind, or spirit: Bring wholeness and healing to those who have been commended to our Parish Prayer List (*see p. 15*), as well as to those whom we name now, silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers of intercession and petition

Merciful God,

refresh our hearts.

We remember in our prayers those who have entered into new life with you: *Joann Fowler, the victims of the earthquake in Afghanistan*, and all who have died, especially those whom we name now, silently or aloud:

Pause for prayers for the departed

Merciful God,

refresh our hearts.

The Presider concludes

Merciful God, your strength and courage pour forth to sustain the witness of your faithful people: Awaken in us the humility to serve wherever Creation is broken and needy, that we may follow in the way of our brother, Jesus, die as he did to all that separates us from you, and be raised, as he was, to new life, **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

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

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

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

People **make us joyful and faithful stewards.**

At the Offertory

If Ye Love Me

T. Tallis (1505-1585)

Heather Fetrow, *soprano*

*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.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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

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.

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Please stand, kneel, or sit.

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

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

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

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

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

The Presider continues

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

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

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever, **AMEN.**

And now, as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,**

but deliver us from evil.
**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever, Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Presider These are the Gifts of God, for you, the People of God, **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Communion

All are welcome to receive the Sacrament in one or both kinds. Consecrated wine is available from the chalice or in individual cups; gluten-free Communion bread is also available upon request. Please place used Communion cups in the bowl at the back for reverent disposal. If you would prefer not to receive, you are invited to come forward for a blessing, the signal for which is to cross your arms over your chest when you reach the Altar.

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

Be Still My Soul

Finlandia

The St. Dunstan's Chancel Choir

Please join in singing.

“Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling”

Music: *Hymnal*, 577

*God is love, and where true love is
God himself is there.*

Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling.
Christ, our love, is with us, gladness be his greeting.
Let us fear and love him, holy God eternal.
Loving him, let each love Christ in one another.

Refrain

When we Christians gather, members of one Body,
let there be in us no discord but one spirit.
Banished now be anger, strife and every quarrel.
Christ, our God, be always present here among us.

Refrain

continued

Grant us love's fulfillment, joy with all the blessed,
when we see your face, O Savior, in its glory.
Shine on us, O purest Light of all creation,
be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises.
*God is love, and where true love is
God himself is there.*

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

Choose life so that you and your descendants may live – loving, obeying, and holding fast to the Lord your God. And may the blessing of God 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

“O Jesus, I have promised”

Music: *Hymnal*, 655

O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle,
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway,
if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me
listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my friend.

Please be seated following the hymn.

Announcements

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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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 family;
Cathy Nerantzis; Rick Nickles; Joyce Nugent; Linda Rogers; Shannon Rose;
Curtis Shively; Tom Shimkin; Jack Tovornik; Peggy Vaughn; Sandra Walters;
David Wheeler; Ben; Bill; Christopher; David; Farid; Gerald; Grace; Henry; Jane;
Karen; Katherine; Marty; Melanie; Sherry; *and* Shiloh

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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.

Announcements

Today at St. Dunstan's:

- + **Fellowship Time:** Come share a cup of coffee or tea, a snack, and good conversation in the **Parish Hall** immediately following this service!
- + **Adult Formation Forum: "What do YOU see? Looking at Liturgical Art":** Join Liturgical Artist-in-Residence **Sue Carroll** at **12 Noon** in the **Parish Hall** to reflect on the art she has created in response to today's readings. What do you see? What might God be saying to *you* through the piece? No preparation necessary...Just come take part in the discussion!
- + **The Chancel Choir** will rehearse at **12 Noon**. New members are welcome!

The Week Ahead:

- + **Tuesday, September 9:**
 - **12 Noon: Prayers for Peace and Healing** (*Zoom and Facebook**)
- + **Wednesday, September 10:**
 - **10:30 a.m.: Bible Study on The Gospel of Luke** (*Zoom**)
- + **Thursday, September 11:**
 - **2 p.m.: September Book Discussion** (*Zoom**). This month's selection is *The Five-Star Weekend*, by Elin Hildebrand. All are welcome!
- + **Saturday, September 13:**
 - **9 a.m.: Men's Group** (*Kitchen/Parlor*)
 - **10 a.m.: Soul Sisters** (*Zoom**)
- + **"Welcome Home" Sunday, September 14:**
 - **10:30 a.m.: Celebration of Holy Eucharist, with Children's Chapel and September Anniversary and Birthday Prayers**
 - **12 Noon: All-Parish Potluck Brunch** (*Parish Hall*). Come share a delicious meal, learn more about St. Dunstan's ministries, and hear about our hopes and *plans* for the coming year! Please see the button in the online parish newsletter to let us know what you can bring, and whether you can help with setup or cleanup. We have so much for which to be thankful...Let's celebrate!



** Please see online newsletter for links.*

Getting Involved in the Liturgy

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

- Altar Guild*
- Flower Guild*
- Livestream Minister*
- Greeter
- Acolyte
- Crucifer
- Lector
- Psalm Leader
- Intercessor
- Usher
- Healing Minister*
- Lay Eucharistic Minister*
- Children's Chapel Helper
- Snack Angel
- Barista

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

** Training provided.*



Serving this Morning

Presider and Preacher:	The Rev. Patricia Phaneuf Alexander
Musicians:	Diane Atherton, 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 and Anne Tager
Greeter:	Susie Cooper
Livestream Minister:	Vince Leonard
Acolyte:	Connelly Anderson Gomez
Crucifer:	Lynne Leonard
Children's Chapel:	Leo Bouma and Jenna Monroe
Lector:	Michelle Mesen
Psalm Leader:	Julie Anderson
Intercessor:	Doug McManus
Lay Eucharistic Ministers:	Lynne Leonard and Michelle Mesen
Healing Minister:	Sue Carroll
Usher:	Carmen Petruzzi
Baristas:	Teresa Lee and Doug McManus
Snack Angel:	Jia Lynn Yang
Vestry Member of the Day:	Leo Bouma

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Artist's Reflection: "Choose life, so that you and your children may live."

Walking on a path through the woods one day, I stopped to watch a family of deer among the trees on the other side of a stream. One of them looked up and saw me – and held my gaze for a long minute. She was so intent, as if she was trying to communicate something to me. It felt like she was inviting me to see her as a fellow creature of God. "You will remember me," I thought she was thinking. "I live here, too. We all do. You must remember." Choosing life means not just choosing our own lives, but the lives of all God's creatures, and preserving our planet for future generations. As the scripture says, it is "So that you and your children may live." Made of painted papers and images printed with my own carved stamps. ~ Sue Carroll, *Liturgical Artist-in-Residence*

Parish Leadership

The Reverend Patricia Phaneuf Alexander, *Rector*

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Come share the journey with us