



Holy Communion: Rite Two
Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 11, 2025 | 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM



WELCOME!

We are an Episcopal (Anglican) community of various backgrounds and beliefs, drawn together by our love of God in Jesus Christ. We believe that God's radically inclusive love excludes no one. At St. Dunstan's, all people are welcome, no exceptions. Please visit our Welcome Table on the patio to get more information about our church. A "Welcome Pad" is located at the end of each pew if you would like to share your name and/or contact information. If you are interested in membership, please speak with our Rector, Rev. Rebecca. We're so glad you're here!

Prayer book & Hymnals: In the pews you will see various books in different colors. The red book is our Book of Common Prayer (BCP). BCP pages are included if you prefer to use the Prayer Book. The blue Hymnal 1982 contains many of the hymns in today's service. Other hymns, beginning with "J-", can be found in the white, large ringed book entitled "Make a Joyful Noise," produced by our Parish Musician, Gregory Funk.

Prelude

Opening Hymn 208 (8:00 v1,4,5), *standing as able*

The strife is o'er

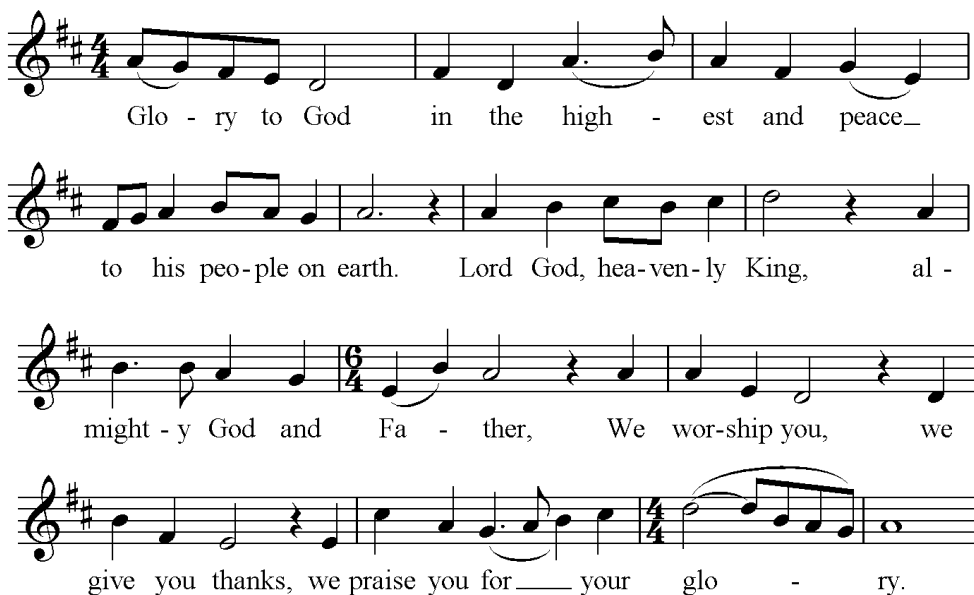
Opening Sentence

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

BCP 355

Almighty God, 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.*

Gloria in excelsis (8:00 *spoken*)



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace_

to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al -

might - y God and Fa - ther, We wor-ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for — your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther:



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive__ our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. You a -



lone are the Lord. You a - lone__ are the__ Most



High,____ Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



glo - ry of God__ the Fa - ther. A - - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Mother's Day Collect

Almighty God, we give thanks on this day for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. We pray for the mothers among us; for our own mothers, for those living and for those who have passed away; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for those who have mothered us even though they weren't our mothers; for stepmothers and godmothers; for all who hope to be mothers someday and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrated. We ask your blessing upon them, and we you give thanks for them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

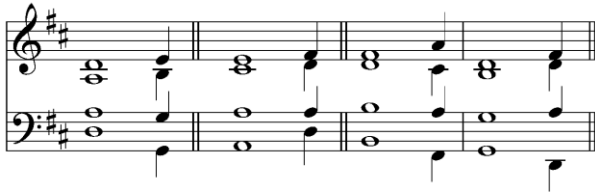
First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 23



- 1 The Lord is my / shepherd; *
I shall not be in / want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green / pastures *
and leads me beside still / waters.
- 3 He revives my / soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his / Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no / evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they / comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running / over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my / life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for / ever.

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he

will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 620 (8:00 v1,4,5), standing as able

Jerusalem, my happy home

The Gospel: John 10:22-30

Leader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John...

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Moment

Sermon

The Rev. D Rebecca Hansen, Rector

The Nicene Creed, standing as able

Celebrant & 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.

Prayers of the People

In this Eastertide we rejoice together at the resurrection of Christ. That the world may be commended to the care of the Good Shepherd, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people cording to their needs, saying: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For preachers of the word, that they may follow in the tradition of Paul and Barnabas, speaking out boldly to the edification of all people, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For Christian churches throughout the world, that they may experience unity and may follow Christ their Shepherd, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the nations of the world, that they may turn from oppression, imperialism, and warfare, and seek only the welfare of their peoples, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the homeless, the hungry, and the sick, that they may find comfort in the one who shelters them with holy presence, guides them to springs of living water, and wipes away every tear from their eyes, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all mothers and those who give motherly care, that they may follow the example of the Good Shepherd who leads his children to good pasture, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those on our prayer list, we pray for healing and wholeness: Molly, Donna, Ann, Bette, George, David, Norma, Emily, Sammi, Katie, Dhyana, Kendra, Lisa, Brandy, Chris, Joanne, Mary Helen, Leila, Shirley, Anne Elise, Candyce, Jaimy, Jim, Jen, Bob, Vanessa

We also pray for requests from our community:

- For an end to war, and peace for the people of Syria, Sudan, Congo, Israel, Gaza, and Ukraine
- For all Christians to be rooted in unity and commitment to Jesus
- For refugees: especially the Ibrahim and Machot families, and for all refugee families being served through Refugee Net and the churches of our diocese.

For our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

For our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the clergy and people of St. John's, Indio.

For our military cycle of Prayer we pray for the US Navy Nurses Corps on their 117th birthday.

You are invited to add your own petitions at this time in your heart or with your voice.

Concluding Collect

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy. Amen.

The Peace

BCP 360

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

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

(10:00) Prayer Quilts, *said together*

Gracious and Loving God, we thank You for the loving hands and spirits of those who created this quilt for the comfort of those in need. Let this quilt be a tangible sign and symbol of your enfolding love as Your Holy Spirit embraces them, eases their pain and worry, and brings them Your comfort and peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Offertory Sentence

(10:00) Offertory Anthem: *Flocks in pastures green abiding* J.S. Bach, arr. Stanley Roper

Flocks in pastures green abiding, Safely with their Shepherd rest,
Cooled by waters gently gliding, Flocks in pastures green abiding.
Safely with their Shepherd rest, Safely, safely with their Shepherd rest,
With the food of life he feeds them, To the fold he gently leads them,
There to dwell for ever blest; With the food of life he feeds them,
To the fold he gently leads them, Gently leads them, gently leads them,
There to dwell, to dwell for ever blest;

Please stand as able

(10:00) Offertory Hymn 343

Shepherd of souls

(8:00) *Celebrant* All things come from thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant sings a Proper Preface.

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:

Celebrant and People (8:00 spoken)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

might, Hea-ven 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 -



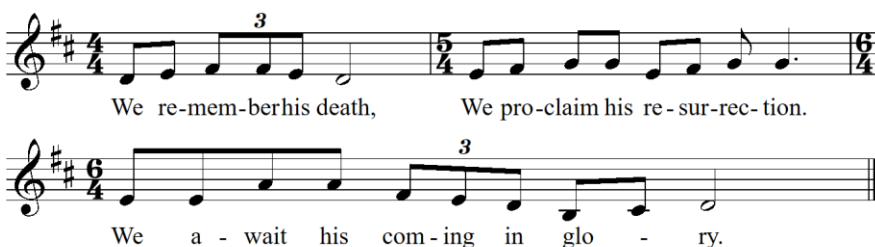
The Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People (8:00 spoken)



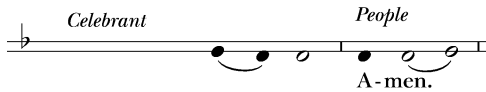
The Celebrant continues

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 St. Dunstan, St. Mary 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 for ever.



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(8:00) And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.

(10:00) As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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People and Celebrant



we for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of trial,
 — and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow er, and the
 glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover (8:00 spoken)

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o -
 ver is sac - ri - ficed for us. There-fore let us
 keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This is the table, not of the Church, but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love God And who want to love God more. So come, you have much faith and you who have little, You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ who invites you to be know and meet him here.

- *The Iona Community Worship Book*

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church regardless of your church/ denominational background. Please extend 2 hands if you wish to have your bread dipped into the wine and extend one hand if you prefer to receive bread only and/or the common cup. If you need gluten free bread or prefer no wine, please indicate this. If you do not want Communion, you can come forward for a blessing instead, indicated by crossing your hands over your chest or simply remain in your seat.

(10:00) Communion Duet: *Feed my Lambs*

Natalie Sleeth

Feed my lambs, tend my sheep, overall a vigil keep;
In my name, lead them forth, gently as a shepherd.
When they wander, when they stray, their protector be.
As ye do unto my flock, thus ye do to me.

(10:00) Communion Hymn 664

My Shepherd will supply my need

(10:00) Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Minister In the name of Christ Jesus, and through the family of St. Dunstan's, we send you out bearing these holy gifts for God's holy people: that those who will receive them with us may experience the majesty and the mystery of His presence. We who are many are one body,

People because we all share one bread and one cup.

Post Communion Prayer, *Please stand or kneel as able*

BCP 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant 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

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn 708, *standing as able*

Savior, like a shepherd lead us

The Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Let us go out into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy	The Rev. D Rebecca Hansen, Rector
Assisting	Neil Kramer, Associate for Pastoral Care & Formation
Music	Gregory Funk, Parish Musician
	Mindy Wilcox, Karen Mitchell, flute
	Darin and Ann Marie Marvin, duet
Readers	Matt Brown & Joy Smith
	Art & Diane Wrightson, Jillian Belding
Eucharistic Ministers	Matt Brown
	CJ Lowder & Mindy Wilcox
Altar Guild	Christine McMillen & CJ Lowder
Acolytes	Sarah, Kyla
Sunday Sexton	Ryan Sifton

Connect: The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen, Rector, rhansen@stdunstans.org

Church office hours: M-TH, 9am-3pm; Fridays 9am-12pm noon

INFORMATION FOR THE SERVICE

St. Dunstan's Pledge cards are available in the back of the church. You can mail a check to the office or donate online through ACS or on www.stdunstans.org or in person on Sunday morning.

If you wear **hearing aids with T-coil** you can hear our service directly through your hearing aids. If you do not have T-coil, or have hearing loss and are not yet ready for hearing aids, you can use one of our portable receivers and headset. A "**quiet room**" with streaming of the service is available in the back-east corner of this building and accessible seating options are marked and available throughout the church. Check with a Hospitality Minister for assistance.

Children of all ages are welcome in our services (noises and all). Our nursery is also open all morning for ages 0-3 (located on the east side of this building) and our "Pray-Ground" (front-left pew of the church) is open during the service with quiet children's activities. Christian education is at 9:00am for all ages (Sept-May) and during the 10:00am service children are welcome to come forward for a "Children's Moment" and may leave with teachers during the sermon for brief children's education and return just before Holy Communion. Children of all ages may receive Holy Communion at their parent's discretion.

Accessible bathrooms are located inside the church to the left and right of the main entrance. Please let a Hospitality Minister know if you need assistance with anything or have any questions.

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