



## EASTER

**Holy Communion: Rite Two**  
**April 5, 2026 | 8:00 and 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.

## The Word of God

**The Prelude:** *Grand Choer Dialogue*

Eugene Gigout

**Fanfare and verse:** *On this day* (Ps 118:24)

Gregory Funk

**Opening Hymn 207**

*Jesus Christ is risen today*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.*

**Song of Praise:** *Christ our Passover, sung twice*

Jeffrey H. Rickard

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The first staff begins with a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, Christ our Pass - o - ver has been". The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast,". The third staff concludes with lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia." The piece ends with a double bar line.

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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*The people sit.*

## The First Reading: Jeremiah 31:1-6

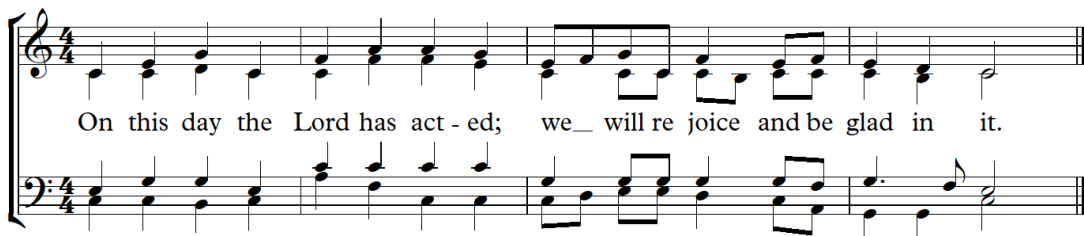
At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people. Thus says the Lord: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the Lord appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 118:1-2, 14-23

ANTIPHON, *sung by all.* The verses are sung by a cantor.



On this day the Lord has act-ed; we\_ will re joice and be glad in it.

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*

his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let Israel now proclaim, \*

"His mercy endures for ever."

ANTIPHON

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

ANTIPHON

17 I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.

ANTIPHON

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.

ANTIPHON

22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD's doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

ANTIPHON

### **Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43**

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.

All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

**Anthem:** *Hallelujah Chorus*,, from *Messiah*, all standing

G.F. Handel

Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of his Christ.

And he shall reign for ever and ever, King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!

**The Holy Gospel: John 20:1-18**

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

*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God

and your God.” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

*Priest*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen

## **The Nicene Creed**

Let us stand (as you are able) and re-affirm our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed

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**

Alleluia! What was dead shall live; what was dark shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered, for the Lord is risen and walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal, saying: *he is risen indeed.*

God of life, in gratitude and great joy we laud you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection. On this day give us hope, for Christ is risen:  
*He is risen indeed!*

On this feast day which brings joy to all Christian believers, may we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one, for Christ is risen:  
*He is risen indeed!*

Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen:  
*He is risen indeed!*

For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; for all our brothers and sisters, that death may have no more power over us, for Christ is risen:  
*He is risen indeed!*

For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today the Lord God will wipe away all tears, for Christ is risen:  
*He is risen indeed!*

May we have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life in our world, for Christ is risen:  
*He is risen indeed!*

May we be one in faith with all who have died in Christ, for our life is hid with Christ in God; for Christ is risen:  
*He is risen indeed!*

For those on our prayer list, we pray for healing and wholeness: Shirley, Karen, Bev, Kathy, Leslie, John, Evan, Irene, Pat, John, Emily, Jack, Shirley, Fr Ken, Polly, Jean, William, Craig, Cynthi, Jaimy, Shirley, Margaret, Mary Helen

For our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the peace of Jerusalem and La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

For our military cycle of Prayer we pray for those serving on the USS Mustin (DDG 89)

*Silence*

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

### **Concluding Collect**

God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

### **The Peace**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**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.**

**(8:00) 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**



*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*

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-  
san - na in the high - est.

*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*

We re-mem-ber his death, We pro-claim his re-sur-rec-tion.

We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

*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.

*Celebrant* *People*  
A-men.

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*People and Celebrant*

Our Fa-ther, in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your Name.  
 Your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven.  
 Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins, as  
 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**

Al-le-lu-ia. Christ our Pass-over is sac-ri-ficed for  
 us. There-fore let us keep the



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.*

*Prayers for healing of body, mind or spirit are offered during Communion in the outdoor garden by our Prayer Team members at this time.*

**Communion Handbells:** *A Joyful Carillon*

Michael Bedford

**Communion Hymn 213**

*Come away to the skies*

**Communion Hymn 178 (or J-104)** *(if time permits)*

*Alleluia no. 1*

**Communion Hymn J-217**

*Hymn of glory*

### (10:00) Sending Out of Eucharistic Ministers

**Priest** 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

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

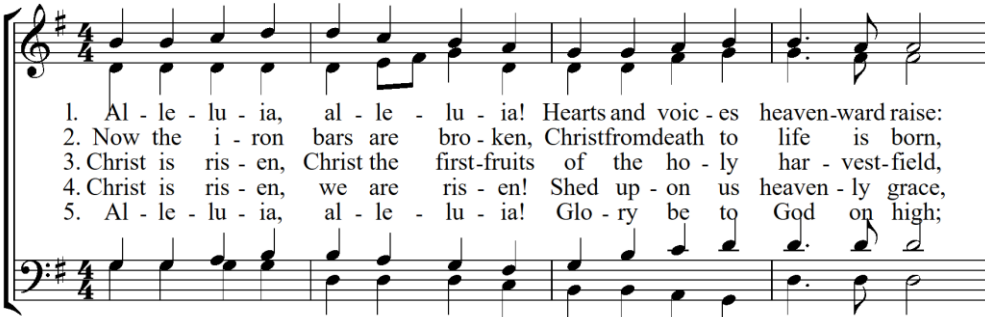
*Celebrate and People*

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.

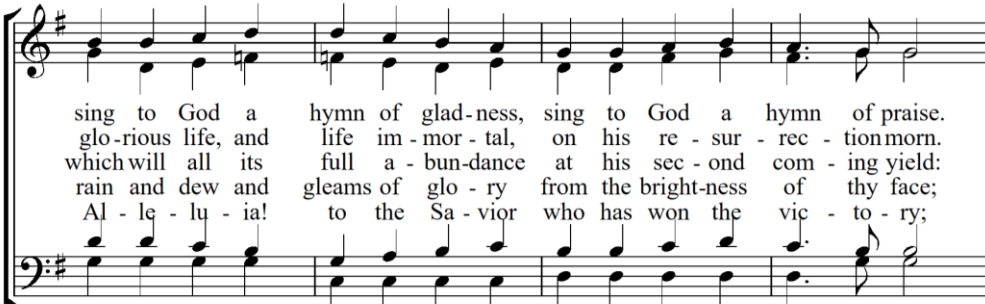
## The Blessing

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.*

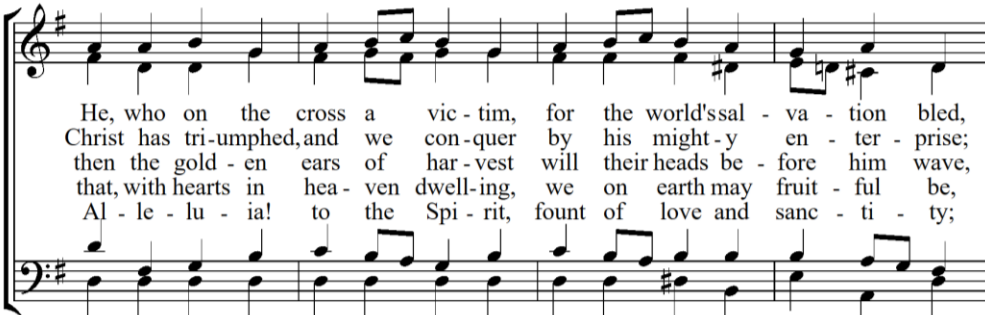
## Closing Hymn 191 (tune: Hymn to Joy) *Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward raise*



1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voic - es heaven-ward raise:  
2. Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,  
3. Christ is ris - en, Christ the first-fruits of the ho - ly har - vest-field,  
4. Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Shed up - on us heaven - ly grace,  
5. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;



sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.  
glo - rious life, and life im - mor - tal, on his re - sur - rec - tion morn.  
which will all its full a - bun-dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:  
rain and dew and gleams of glo - ry from the bright-ness of thy face;  
Al - le - lu - ia! to the Sa - vior who has won the vic - to - ry;



He, who on the cross a vic - tim, for the world's sal - va - tion bled,  
Christ has triumphed, and we con - quer by his might - y en - ter - prise;  
then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore him wave,  
that, with hearts in hea - ven dwell - ing, we on earth may fruit - ful be,  
Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spi - rit, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty;

Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.  
 we with him to life e - ter - nal by his re - sur - rec - tion rise.  
 ri - pened by his glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.  
 and by an - gel hands be gath - ered, and be ev - er, Lord, with thee.  
 A - le - lu - ia!, al - le - lu - ia! to the Tri - une Ma - jes - ty.

**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!

**The Postlude:** *Fanfares*

Jean-Joseph Mouret

**PARISH NOTICES**

The church office will be closed on **Monday, April 6th** for Easter Monday.

Please pick up an **April Mini Newsletter** to learn more about this month's gatherings, classes, and events! They can be found in the back of the church or ask a Hospitality Minister.

## ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy	The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen
Music	Gregory Funk, Parish Musician Deborah Berglund, Children's Victory Choir Jim Adams, cantor; Jack Houghton, Jeff Blanco, trumpet Andrew Moreau, Michael Benje, trombone; Erin Martysz, timpani
Readers	Bob Raymond, Jan Martin Evan Martin, Mark Alcorn, Pam Matosian
Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Martin Pam Matosian, CJ Lowder
Altar Guild	Melody, Kristen, Cindy, Barbara
Healing Prayer Team	Jessie Thivierge, Matt Brown Diane LeBlanc, Sandia Tuttle
Acolytes	Julia, Melina, Kyla
Sunday Sexton	Ryan Sifton

## 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](http://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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