



Holy Communion: Rite Two
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2026 | 10AM



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 Prelude:

Opening Hymn 518

Christ is made the sure foundation

Opening Sentence

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.*

Glory to God in the highest

BCP 356, J-6

The musical score is written on five staves in G-clef, 4/4 time. It begins with a rest for two measures, followed by a forte (*f*) dynamic. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with some triplets indicated by a '3' over a bracket. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The score ends with a repeat sign and a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic for the final phrase.

Glo- ry to God in the high- est and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-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.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

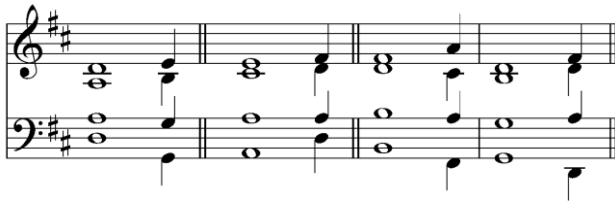
First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 119:33-40



- 33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your / statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the / end.
- 34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your / law; *
I shall keep it with all my / heart.
- 35 Make me go in the path of your com-/mandments, *
for that is my de-/sire.
- 36 Incline my heart to your de-/crees *
and not to unjust / gain.
- 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is / worthless; *
give me life in your / ways.
- 38 Fulfill your promise to your / servant, *
which you make to those who / fear you.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I / dread, *
because your judgments are / good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your com-/mandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my / life.

Second Reading: Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Moment

The Sermon

The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen

The Nicene Creed, *standing as able*

Celebrant 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.

Prayers of the People

God's word tells us that those who love their neighbors have fulfilled the law. Out of love and compassion for a broken world, let us pray to the Lord, saying: Lord, have mercy.

For nations crippled by international debt, for nations who must beg and scramble for the necessities of life, for nations whose people live in poverty, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For all Christians who have more than they need, that taking the Lord's word to heart, they may be content with what is necessary and generously share their surplus with the poor, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Remembering the children of our own country caught in the cycle of poverty, ignorance, disease, and despair, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For those in our own neighborhood who are out of work and out of luck, for broken families, for those crippled by debt, for those at their wit's end, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We pray especially for those on our prayer list: Jean, Laurie, Dick, Alice, Susan, Bonnie, Renee, Bill, Soya, Lisa, Joan, Jen, Mariana, Tom, Norma, Sandia, Aaron, Anita, Gary, Mike, Donna, Jim, Barbara, Brennie, Irene, Emily, Jaimy, Shirley, Mary Helen

Let us pray to the Lord

Lord, hear us.

We also pray for requests from our community:

- For an end to war and peace for the people of our nation and abroad, including the Middle East, Congo, Sudan, and Ukraine
- For God's compassion, truth, justice and peace to rule in our hearts as a nation.
- For local and international stability and security.
- For refugees, migrants, the hungry and those who cannot afford food.

From our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria.

From our Diocesan cycle of Prayer: We pray for the clergy and people of St. Mark's, San Diego.

From our Military Cycle of Prayer, we pray for those who serve in the Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 39, Camp Pendleton. We also pray for our Episcopal chaplains and service men and women who have been deployed.

You are invited to add your own intercessions out loud or in your heart.

Concluding Collect

Lord, you invited the beggars and the crippled, the lame and the blind, to eat and drink at your table and to feast in your kingdom; and lo, here we are. Grant us the grace to extend to others the same generosity you have shown to us; for you are our Lord, our God forever and ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

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

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.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace, *standing*

BCP 360

Celebrant 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.

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: *Simple Gifts*

Shaker song, arr. Gregory Funk

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, and
when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,
to turn, turn, will be our delight till by turning, turning we come round right.

'Tis the gift to be gentle, 'tis the gift to be fair, 'tis the gift to wake and breathe the morning air, and every day to wake in the path we choose, 'tis the gift that we pray we may ne'er come to lose.

When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,
to turn, turn, will be our delight till by turning, turning we come round right.

'Tis the gift to be loving, 'tis the best gift of all, like a quiet rain, it blesses where it falls; and if we have the gift, we will truly believe 'tis better to give than it is to receive.

When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,
to turn, turn, will be our delight till by turning, turning we come round right.

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, and when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,
to turn, turn, will be our delight till by turning, turning we come round right.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

Celebrant 3 *People* 3 *Celebrant* 3 *People* 3
The Lord be with you. And al- so with you. Lift up your hearts. We
Celebrant 3 *People* 3
lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the
People 3 *People* 3
Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

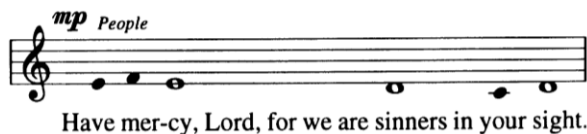
God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

f People 3 *People* 3
Glory to you for ever and ever.

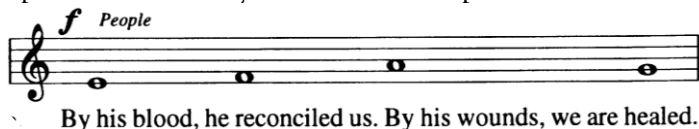
At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

f People 3 *People* 3
By your will they were created and have their being.

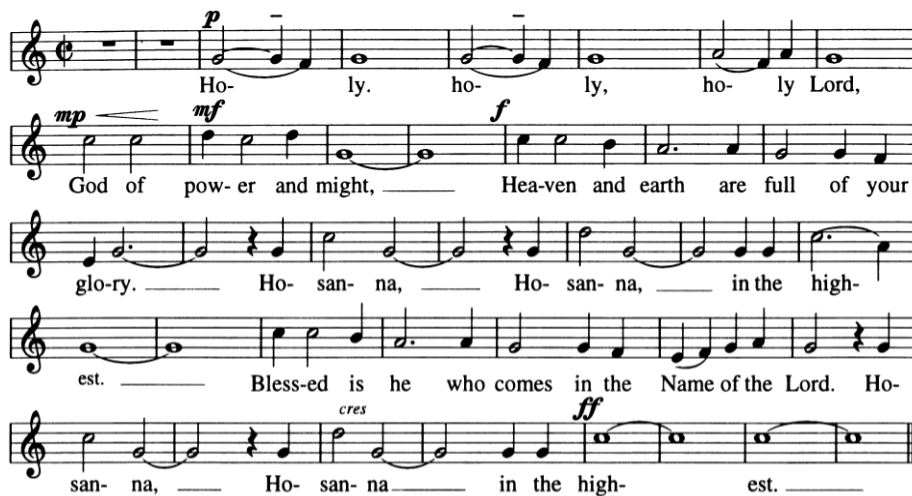
From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.



Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.



And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

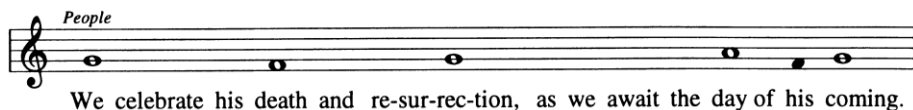


And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

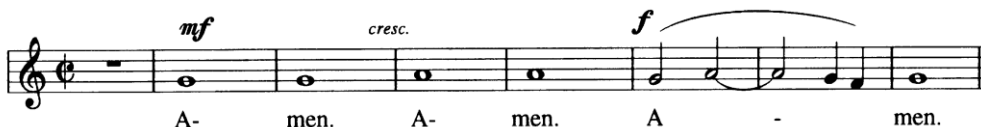
Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,



Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.



Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



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



we for-give those who sin a- gainst us. Save us from the time of
 we for-give those who tres-pass a- gainst us. And lead us not in- to temp-
 tri-al, and de-liv- er us from e- vil. For the king -
 ta-tion, but de-liv- er us from e- vil. For thine is the king -
 dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are yours now and for
 dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry for ev- er and for
 ev- er. A men. 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,] Christ our
 Pass- o- ver is sac- ri- ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the
 feast. [Al- le- lu - ia.]

[] = omit during Lent

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.

Flute Voluntary: *Cantique de Jean Racine*

Garbiel Fauré

Communion Hymn J-289

Prayer of St. Francis

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

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

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

Closing Hymn 376

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

The Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

The Postlude

PARISH NOTICES



Adult Education & Formation : Christian Education for all ages begins on Sun., Sept. 13th!
9:00AM - Education Hour:

- Children Ages 3-6: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd in the Atrium
- Children Ages 7-12: Sunday School in Classroom 3
- Youth Grades 6-12: Bible Study Discussions in the Youth Room
- Adults: Drop In Bible Study in the Conference Room and Adult Series in the Library

Children's Victory Choir: Looking for an amazing opportunity for your children to learn how to sing, read music, ring handbells, and more? If so, then St. Dunstan's has the perfect ministry for your family! The Children's Victory Choir rehearsals start on Tuesday, September 8 in the Choir Room from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. All children in grades 2 through 12 are welcome to join this wonderful and fun filled group! Rehearsals are every Tuesday. If you have any questions, please ask Mrs. Debbie (Berglund), the Victory Choir Director.

Stories of the Bible: Ark & the Darkness: A Deep Dive series exploring the Bible and its consistent ability to stand up to modern day science of our world. Beginning with the Innocence of Creation and the Age of the Earth, this series explores numerous proofs in God's grand design from how Noah built the Ark, to why people were separated into the nations of the world through the birth of languages. Tackling deep topics such as Evolution, Dinosaurs, and Ancient Pangaea, come watch and be immersed with thought provoking proofs sourced from the Bible itself and how we can spread our truth through the darkness into the Light.

Wednesdays in the Office Conference room, August 19th through September 2nd.
6:00pm-7:30pm, Pizza and drinks are provided free of charge. Any Questions? Contact Kyle Berglund: Kjberglund13@gmail.com

Fall Preaching Series: The Ancient Anglican Way of Following Jesus

Sundays September - November 2026

I realize we don't usually do a "preaching series" in the Episcopal Church, but we will this fall as we kick off our program year. Our upcoming preaching series is titled, *"The Ancient Anglican Way of Following Jesus."* As Anglicans we truly have a particular "way" of living out the Christian life and following Jesus, and it is based on ancient practices handed down to us from the early church fathers and mothers as well as from the Celtic Christians (like Saint Dunstan himself), down through the centuries. Those of us who feel called to follow Jesus as disciples according to the Anglican/Episcopal tradition and "way" find our lives framed according to the promises and commitments we make at our baptism (and/or later in the rite of confirmation) through our "Baptismal Covenant." Our covenant is a commitment with promises (or vows) that we make to God and renew regularly as contained in the Book of Common Prayer.

So what does it really look like to follow Jesus according to the ancient Anglican way in practical terms? What does our commitment entail and what is our way of life? I am truly excited to unpack this with you in our upcoming fall preaching series.

SUMMER READING BOOK DISCUSSIONS:

SUNDAYS, SEPT 13 & 20 AT 9 AM IN THE LIBRARY

- September 13: Join us for a discussion on the book "Mudhouse Sabbath" by Lauren F. Winner as she looks at the intersection of Jewish tradition and Christian spiritual practices.
- September 20: Our second book for discussion is "How We Learn to be Brave" by Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde as she discusses pivotal moments and practices that lead to authentic courage in our lives.

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy	The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen
Music	Gregory Funk, Parish Musician Karen Mitchell, Mindy Wilcox, flutes
Readers	Ray Sifton & Joy Smith Darin Marvin, Nan Yang, Laura Fields
Eucharistic Ministers	Donna Vaughan CJ Lowder, Pam Matosian, Sarah Mitchell
Acolytes	Richard, 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 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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