St.Dunstan's
— EPISCOPAL CHURCH —

Holy Communion: Rite Two
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2026 | 9:30 AM



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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

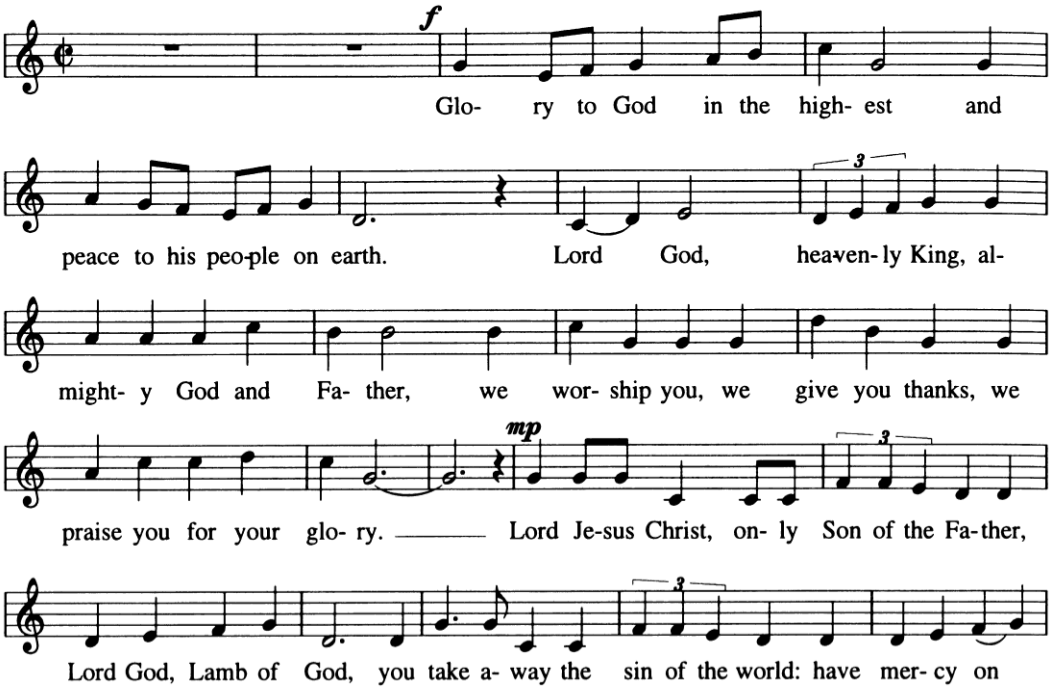
Opening Hymn 690 *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

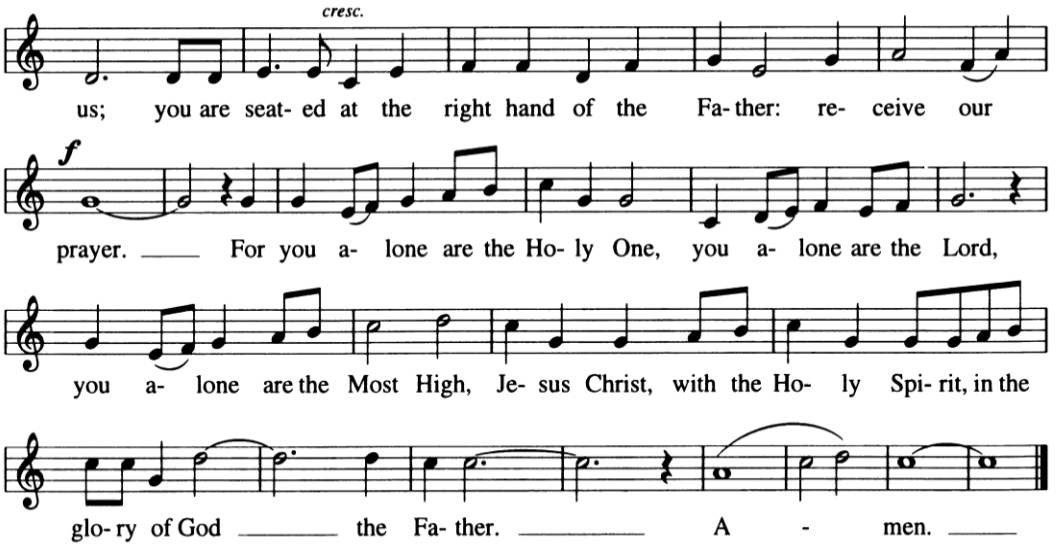
Opening Sentence BCP 355

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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7,12-18

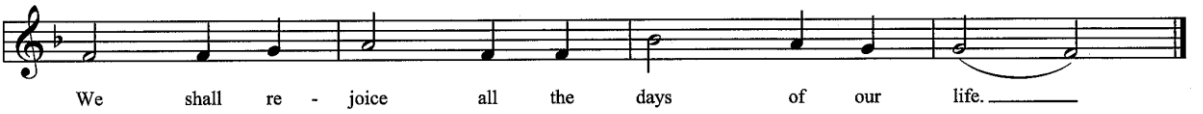
Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their

blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

Psalm 90:1-8, 12

All sing the Antiphon. The verses will be sung by a cantor.

Antiphon



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1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.
2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God. **Antiphon**

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."
4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night. **Antiphon**

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered. **Antipho**

7 For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
8 Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. **Antiphon**

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 655 *O Jesus, I have promised*

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you

were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Moment

The Sermon **The Rev. Saul Burleson**

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

Jesus said, "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places." Trusting in God's abundance and welcome, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all creation.

Gracious God, you have made plenty good room for us in your household. Inspire your church to be a place of welcome, generosity, and love. We thank you for the resources you have entrusted to us, and we pray for wisdom to use them in service of your mission. Lord, in your mercy,

People: *hear our prayer.*

God of community, you bind us together in relationships of care and compassion. Strengthen the bonds within this congregation, and guide us to extend hospitality to our neighbors near and far. Lord, in your mercy,

People: *hear our prayer.*

God of abundance, you invite us to respond with gratitude for all your gifts. Bless our stewardship, that our pledges of time, talent, and treasure may be faithful signs of our trust in you. Lord, in your mercy,

People: *hear our prayer.*

God of creation, you have made a world with abundance for all living things. Teach us to care for the earth and to share its resources with justice and joy.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: *hear our prayer.*

God of mercy, your dwelling place has room for all who suffer. Be present with those who are sick, lonely, grieving, or in any kind of need. Surround them with your healing and your peace. We especially prayer for those on our prayer list: Art, Elisa, Susan, Kylee, Bruce, Joey, Iris, David, Cindy, Canon Jeff, Diane, Shawn , Laurie, Susan, Joan, Jen, Sandia, Anita, Gary, Jim, Brennie, Irene, Emily, Jaimy
People: *hear our prayer.*

God of hope, you prepare a place for us in your eternal home. We remember before you those who have died, confident that they now rest in your embrace. Lord, in your mercy,
People: *hear our prayer.*

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, and Ukraine
- For God's compassion, truth, justice and peace to rule in our hearts as a nation.
- For our newly elected leaders, that they may serve with wisdom and grace.
- For those preparing for Confirmation and Reception in our church.

From our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

From our Diocesan cycle of Prayer: We pray for musicians and those that bring art into our lives.

From our Military Cycle of Prayer, we pray for those who serve aboard the USS Greeneville. 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
Loving God, you call us into your abundant life and promise that there is plenty good room for all your children. Hear our prayers and accept the offerings of our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *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

Burleson Family Blessing

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

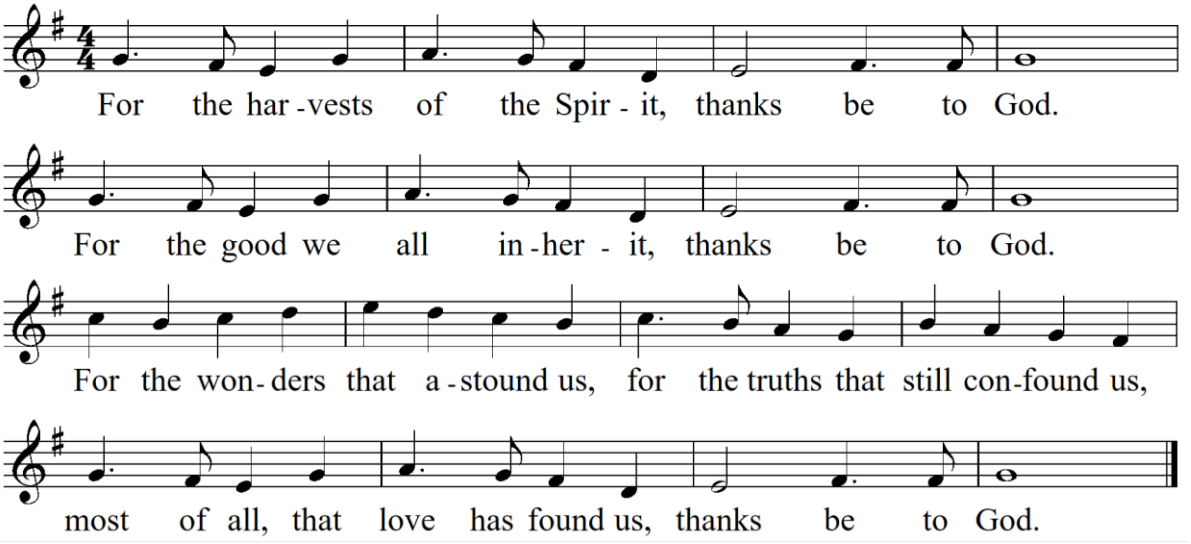
Offertory Anthem: *For the fruit of all creation* arr. Michael John Trotta

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For his gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

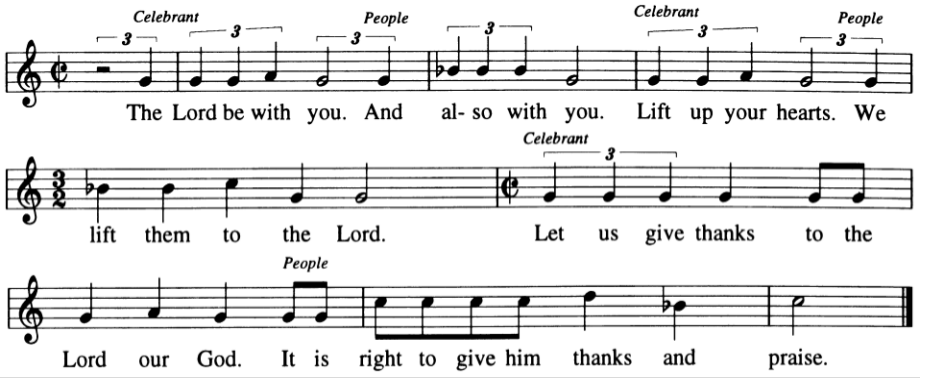
Thanks when morn again shall call us to run life's way,
may we still, whate'er befall us, your will obey.
From the pow'r of evil hide us, in the narrow pathway guide us,
never be your smile denied us all through the day.

All stand and sing the final verse of the anthem



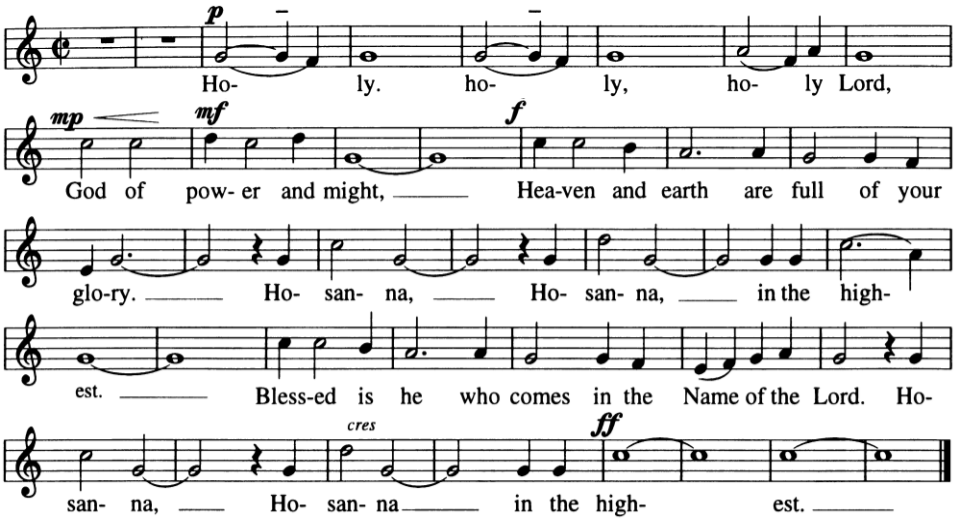
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Dedication of Pledges



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.

A proper preface is added
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
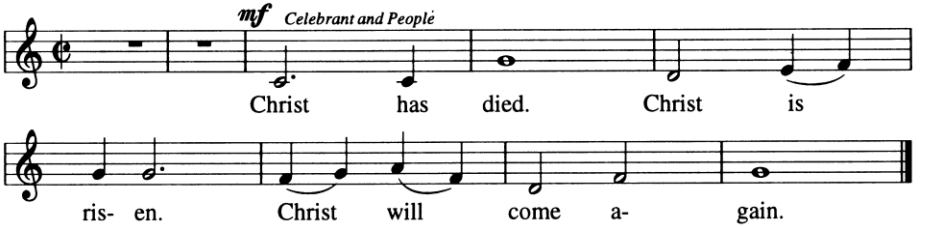


The Celebrant continues
Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

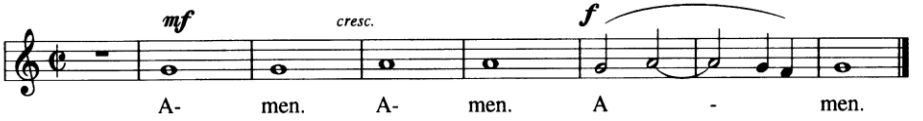
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
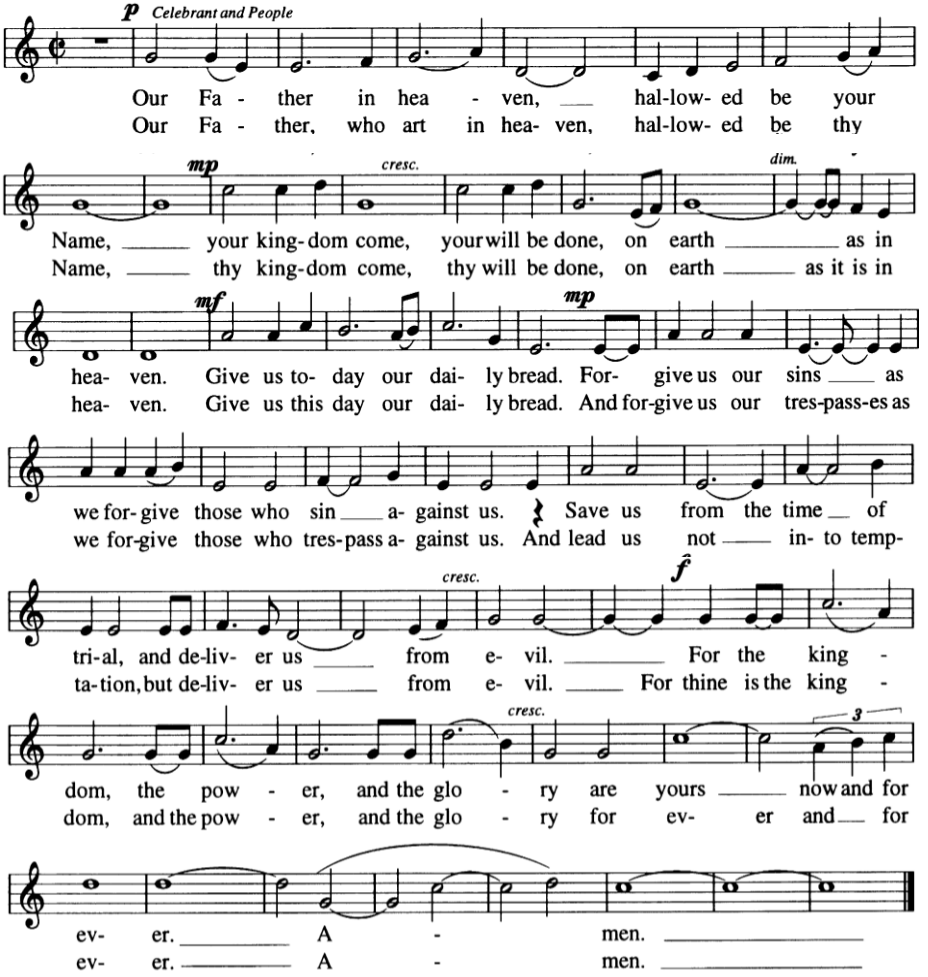


The Celebrant continues
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.



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

People and Celebrant

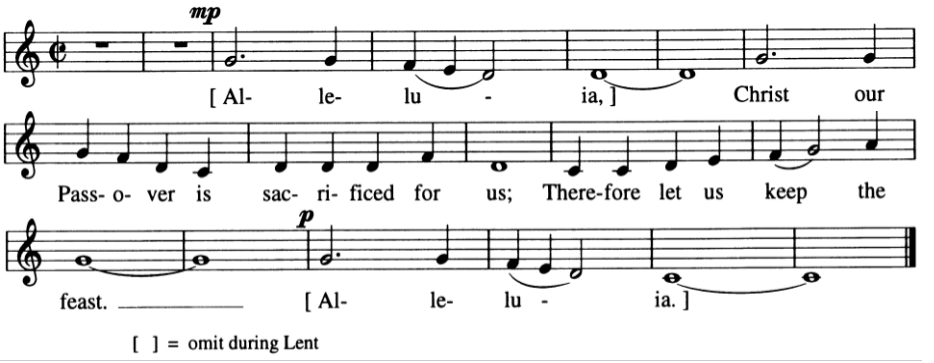


The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Christ our Passover



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.

Communion Solo: *Blessings* Laura Story

We pray for blessings, We pray for peace,
Comfort for family, protection while we sleep.
We pray for healing, for prosperity,
We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering.
All the while, You hear each spoken need.
Yet love is way too much to give us lesser things.

(chorus) 'Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops?
What if Your healing comes through tears?
What if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near?
What if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise?

We pray for wisdom, Your voice to hear.
We cry in anger when we cannot feel You near.

We doubt your goodness, we doubt your love,
As if every promise from Your Word is not enough.
All the while, You hear each desperate plea,
As long as we have faith to believe

When friends betray us when darkness seems to win.
We know that pain reminds this heart that this is not our home.

What if my greatest disappointments or the aching of this life
Is the revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy?
What if trials of this life: The rain, the storms, the hardest nights
Are your mercies in disguise?

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Communion Hymn 9 *Not here for high and holy things*

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.*
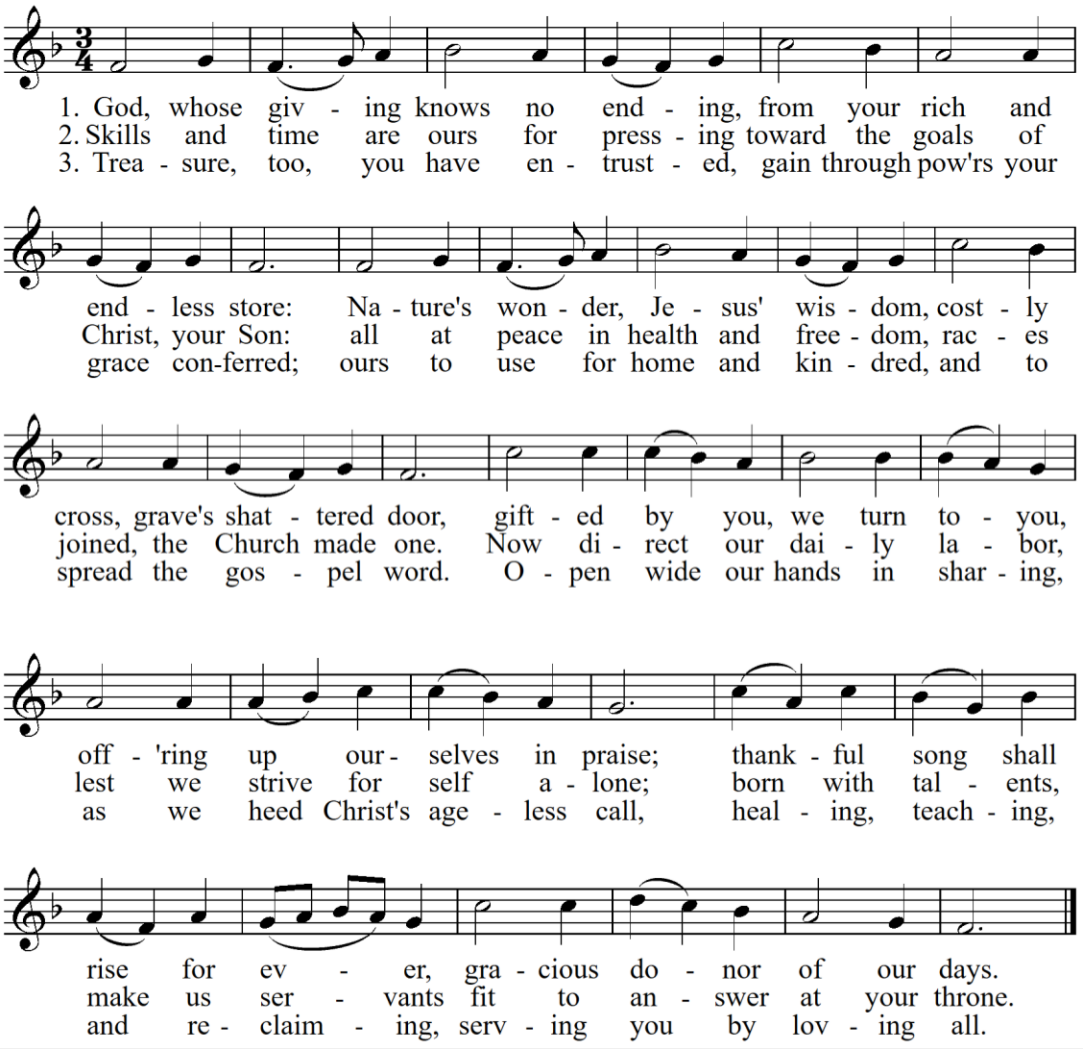
Post Communion Prayer **BCP 366**

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: *God, whose giving knows no ending* tune: Hyfrydol



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The Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

The Postlude

PARISH NOTICES

Sharing your Abundance!
After the service please stop by our table and share an example of abundance in your life this past year.
All ages are welcome to share.
We will be adding these examples to our cornucopia for our Stewardship Brunch on November 15.

When Should I Return My Pledge Card? Ingathering Sunday is on November 29. Please bring your pledge cards to be dedicated at this service as we celebrate all God has given us! If you are unable to return them on November 29 - that's okay!! Feel free to drop them off at any time during November.

Adult Education: Sundays in November
November 15: No Adult Education (Stewardship Brunch)
November 22: **Forum with the Bishop** *(After the 10am service)*: Please plan to stay following the 10am service to celebrate our confirmands and to hear from Bishop Susan about recent events and news in and around our diocese in the Parish Hall
November 29: Advent Wreath Making Intergenerational Craft. No Education
Reminder! The 9 AM Drop-in Bible Study will take a brief vacation in November and December, and will resume in January.

Thanksgiving Eve Dinner! You are invited to St. Dunstan's All-Parish Thanksgiving Eve Dinner on Wednesday, November 25 at 6 PM!

Got the Blues? As the days grow shorter and memories grow longer, we enter the Season of Winter Blues. We of the Healing Prayer Team want to offer you prayer support during these times, in addition to our usual Sunday Service prayer ministry. We want to stay connected with you and check in with you regularly during whatever trials you face during the holidays and the dark wintertime ahead: health, family, aloneness, loss, change, grief, etc. One of our Healing Prayer Team members will reach out to you to maintain communication and prayer support. Please let us know by contacting the church office or directly through Amy Craven at **amycraven210@gmail.com** or Anne-Elise Kelly at **anne.elise9137@gmail.com**. God bless, your Healing Prayer Team

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service and Pie Fest! @ San Carlos UMC
All are welcome to join us on November 22 at 5 PM for St. Dunstan's annual gathering with neighborhood and local faith communities to pray, sing, and celebrate Thanksgiving! The service will be held at San Carlos UMC at 6554 Cowles Mountain Blvd., San Diego, CA 92119. This year we will be celebrating with our friends from San Carlos Methodist Church, Temple Emanu-El, Tiferith Israel Synagogue, the Pacifica Institute, and the Our Lady of Grace congregation. Our theme will be "Communities of Compassion," and will feature reflections from faith leaders including Rev. Rebecca. St. Dunstan's choir will be singing alongside members of the other congregations to create a joyful noise! Attendees are invited to bring a pie to share (but it's not required!!) at the Pie Fest, which will follow the service. We look forward to seeing you at this community Thanksgiving event!



New Hiking Group: Jessie Thivierge is starting a St. Dunstan's family-friendly hiking group! Our first gathering is slated for November 21st at 7:30 AM at Cowles Mountain. We will meet in the parking lot at the trailhead, right by the bathrooms at the bottom. For more information, you can contact Jessie at 510-847-7707. Hope to see you there!

Yule Love Scrip This Holiday Season! Keep Scrip in mind for Christmas gifts! You will double your joy of giving to a friend, family, or from our Angel Tree knowing it benefits Outreach as well!

Advent Wreath Making! We will celebrate the first day of Advent on Sunday, November 29 by hosting an intergenerational Advent wreath making event after each service. We invite individuals, couples, families, roommates, etc. to create an Advent wreath to take home and use as part of their Advent devotions. Instructions, candles, greens, and Advent devotional booklets will all be available for everyone. Join us and discover a way to make your holiday season a holy season! Though this event is absolutely free, we will accept any donations toward the cost of materials. Thank you!

St. Dunstan's Christmas Bazaar Is Only Weeks Away!!
YES, we are having a Christmas Bazaar this year on Sunday, December 6 after each service! Save your pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, and dollars to buy gifts for your Christmas list! Decorations, jewelry, toys, jams, music, etc. will all be available.

Calling All Crafters: If you would like a table or half of a table at the Christmas Bazaar on December 6 to display your wares for sale, please call Sandia Tuttle or Bette Boucher. Their contact information is in the church directory.

Cookie Helpers Needed: Do you enjoy St. Nicholas cookies? Can you help his helpers create those delicious cookies? We need your help Friday morning, December 4, from 9 AM to 1 PM and/or December 5, from 9 AM to 12 PM. Come to Sandia Tuttle's kitchen, 5134 Rockridge Road, La Mesa. RSVP (619) 277-4766.

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Clergy	The Rev. D. Rebecca Hansen, Rector
	The Rev. Saul Burleson
Music	Gregory Funk, Parish Musician
	Jim Adams, cantor
	Lisa Chaddock, soloist
Readers	Bob Raymond, Jessie Thivierge, Donna Vaughan
Eucharistic Ministers	Matt Brown, David Bagley, Donna Vaughan
Acolytes	Graysen, Winston, Brennie, Kyla

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.