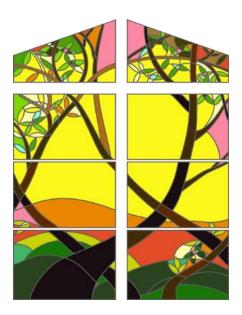
St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost November 9, 2025 - 10 am

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Hymn 574 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel

St. Petersburg

Opening Sentences

EOW 1, 50

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

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Hymn of Praise Let Us Praise Your Name



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The Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The First Reading Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Lector: A reading from the prophet Haggai.

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 BCP 727

Sing to the Lord a new song, * for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm * has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity.

The Epistle

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Lector: A reading from the second letter to the Thessalonians.

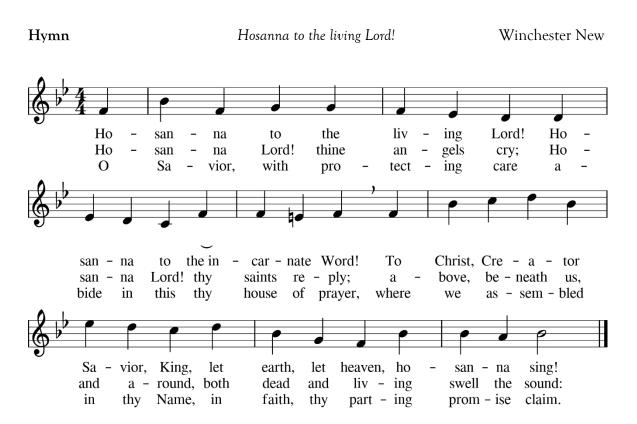
As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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

People: Thanks be to God.



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Gospel Luke 20:27-38

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Alan Christensen

Nicene Creed EOW 1, 53

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Deacon: Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers

for the Church, those in need, and all of creation.

Leader: You gather your Church together by the Holy Spirit. Inspire all the baptized

to proclaim your love throughout the world. Guide us in the mission of the

Gospel through word and deed. Grant the leaders of your Church continuing wisdom to speak in words and ways that guide us all to you, especially Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Phil, our Bishop, and Elizabeth our Interim Rector. Guide our Search Committee in their task to call our next

Rector. O God most high, our refuge;

People: To you we pour out our hearts.

Leader: You cherish your creation. Help us to care for the well-being of the earth;

for the water, air, and soil; and for all our fellow creatures. Guide those who shape public policies affecting the planet and its creatures, that they may consider wisely the well-being of all who come after us. O God most high,

our refuge;

People: To you we pour out our hearts.

Leader: You desire peace and justice in the world. Awaken the souls of all who

govern the nations, that they may serve the needs of their people. and especially that they may lift up those suffering from poverty, hunger,

oppression, and violence. O God most high, our refuge;

People: To you we pour out our hearts.

Leader: You comfort those who are hurting. Accompany those who are alone, heal

those who are sick, provide for all who hunger or thirst, console the bereaved, and attend to all who call on you. We now join our hearts together to pray for those in need, especially . . . And those we name now,

either silently or aloud. O God most high, our refuge;

People: To you we pour out our hearts.

Leader: You walk with those who trust in your love and faithfulness. Protect those

who travel near and far, especially . . . And those we name now, either

silently or aloud. O God most high, our refuge;

People: To you we pour out our hearts.

Leader: You fill our hearts with gratitude for all your blessings. We thank you for

the people and events that bring us joy, especially . . . And those we name

now, either silently or aloud. O God most high, our refuge;

People: To you we pour out our hearts.

Leader: You grant to those who have died in faith to dwell with you and to see your

face. Draw into your presence those who have died and reveal to them your glory, especially . . . And those we name now, either silently or aloud. O

God most high, our refuge;

People: To you we pour out our hearts.

Presider: O God, O Holy One, whose timing is not our own: In these and all

turbulent times, turn our despair into hope as we await the day of Christ's coming. Strengthen our belief that all true power, and all our souls, our hearts, and our faithful love belong to you. We ask this through Christ Jesus, our Redeemer and Savior; who with the Holy Spirit, the breath of our

hope, reigns with you, O Father, one God, always and forever. Amen.

Confession EOW 1, 56

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

All: God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

Presider: 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

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

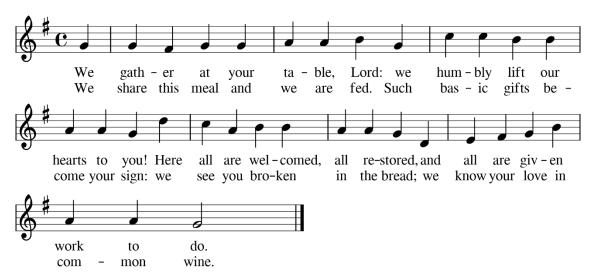
Offertory Anthem O Love of Whom is Truth and Light
St. Dunstan's Choir

Finn Viderö (1906-1987)

The Offertory is a time to present and give thanks for bread and wine, financial offerings, and time and talent given to the church. We gather our offerings through passing the plate where all are invited (though none are required) to give. Contributions can also be made online through the QR code here. Time and Talent cards are available in pew backs to represent the many hours given. For all the gifts of time, treasure, and talent, we give thanks.



Offertory Hymn



Text: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette © 1999 Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. Music: The Eighth Tune, Thomas Tallis.

Offertory Blessing

Presider: All things come from you, O Lord.

People: And of your own have we given you.

The people stand or kneel.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer 3

EOW 1, 62

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presider continues,

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:



Setting: Jonathan Dimmock (b. 1957), from Missa Appalachia © 1996 Jonathan Dimmock

The presider continues,

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

All: Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

All: Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Fraction Anthem WLP 875



Setting: Gary James (b. 1957) © 1992 MorningStar Music Publishers

The Invitation

Presider: 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.

Communion Hymn 341

For the bread which you have broken

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Post Communion Prayer

EOW 1, 70

Presider: Let us pray
All: Loving God,

we give you thanks

we give you manks

for restoring us in your image

and nourishing us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world

and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Special Events

BCP 830

All

Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart(s) may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 526

Let saints on earth in concert sing

Dundee

Dismissal

The Deacon offers a dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

We welcome you to remain for prayer or meditation during the postlude.

If you need to leave right away, please be careful not to disturb those who are listening.

Postlude

For All the Saints St. Dunstan's Handbell Choir Ralph Vaughan Williams arr. Andrew Birling

Altar flowers are given today to the glory of God.



Healing Prayer is offered at the altar after the postlude.

SERVING TODAY

Presider: The Rev. Elizabeth Riley

Deacon & Preacher: The Rev. Alan Christensen

Music Director: Susanna Valleau

Eucharistic Ministers: Scott Prather, Allison Croft

Healing Minister: Madeline Sego Lectors: Colleen Johnson, Marilyn Firman Prayers of the People: Sarah Roskam

Vestry Host: Acacia Georgescu | Ushers: Chris Johns, Jonathan Thoms

Altar Guild: Laurie Brown Hospitality: Madeline Sego, Paula Ross Counters: Paula Ross, Marilyn Firman

A/V: Tom Wear

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