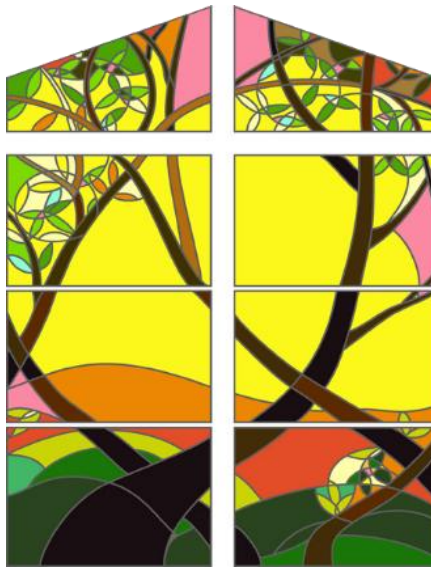


St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 26, 2025 - 10 am

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Hymn 636

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Foundation

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

Let us praise your name, God our Sav - ior, al - le -

lu - ia, al-le lu - ia! :|| Praise and bless your name, God our

Sav - ior, praise and bless your name, al - le - lu - ia! :|| D.C.

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The Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Joel 2:23-32

Lector: A reading from the prophet Joel

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
 to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
 because of their transgressions.
Our sins are stronger than we are, *
 but you will blot them out.
Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
 they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
 by the holiness of your temple.
Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
 O God of our salvation, *
 O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.
You make fast the mountains by your power; *
 they are girded about with might.
You still the roaring of the seas, *
 the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.
Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your
 marvelous signs; *
 you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
 you make it very plenteous; *
 the river of God is full of water.
You prepare the grain, *
 for so you provide for the earth.
You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
 with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
You crown the year with your goodness, *
 and your paths overflow with plenty.
May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
 and the hills be clothed with joy.
May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
 and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
 let them shout for joy and sing.

Lector: A reading from the second letter to Timothy

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen..

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 398

I sing the almighty power of God

Forest Green

Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

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

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

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

Ain'a That Good News
St. Dunstan's Choir

Traditional Spiritual

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

Musical notation for the Offertory Hymn, consisting of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and common time. The lyrics are written below the notes.

We gath - er at your ta - ble, Lord: we hum - bly lift our
We share this meal and we are fed. Such bas - ic gifts be -
hearts to you! Here all are wel - comed, all re - stored, and all are giv - en
come your sign: we see you bro - ken in the bread; we know your love in
work to do.
com - mon wine.

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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:

Sanctus

WLP 850

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,_____

hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

in the high - est._____ Bless-ed is the one who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na,

Ho - san - na in the high - est, the high - est._____

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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

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break-ing of the
bread. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, is the com-
mun-ion of the bo - dy of Christ. Be known to us, Lord
Je - sus, in the break-ing of the bread. One bo-dy are we, al-le-
lu - ia, for though man-y we share one bread. Be
known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break-ing of the bread.

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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 314

Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen

Adoro devote

Post Communion Prayer

EOW 1, 70

Presider: Let us pray

All: Loving God,
we give you thanks
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 506 vs. 1-2, 5-6

Praise the Spirit in creation

Finnian

Dismissal

The Deacon offers a dismissal

People: Thanks be to God.

Altar flowers are given for the glory of God.



Healing Prayer is offered at the altar after the postlude.

SERVING TODAY

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth Riley
Deacon: The Rev. Alan Christensen
Music Director: Susanna Valleau
Eucharistic Ministers: Ves Pacher, Jonathan Thoms
Healing Minister: Madeline Sego
Lectors: Mary Evans, Jan Boyd
Prayers of the People: Phoebe Christensen
Vestry Host: Scott Prather | **Ushers:** Madeline Sego, Scott Prather
Altar Guild: Trish Carosiello
Hospitality: Liz Hinkofer, Trish Carosiello
Counters: Paula Ross, Marie Dahlborn
A/V: Tom Wear

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