

# St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

Atlanta, Georgía

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE FOURTH OF JULY

The Holy Eucharist

Streaming on Facebook Live at 10 A.M.

**Prelude** 

Suite Gothique, Op.25: III. Prière à Notre-Dame Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)



The Word of God

# **Opening Acclamation**

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **The Collect for Purity** said by the Celebrant

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.** 

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

#### **The Collect** said by all

Grant us, Lord God, a vision of our land as your love would make it:

- a land where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor;
- a land where the benefits of life are shared, and everyone can enjoy them;
- a land where different races, cultures, and creeds live in tolerance and mutual respect;
- a land where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love.

And give us the inspiration and courage to build it.

Amen.

The First Lesson Deuteronomy 10:17-21

The Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of Lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** (spoken in unison) Exaltabo te, Deus

Psalm 145:1-9

I will exalt you, O God my King, \* and bless your Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you \*

and praise your Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;\* there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another \* and shall declare your power.

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \* and all your marvelous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, \* and I will tell of your greatness.

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; \* they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

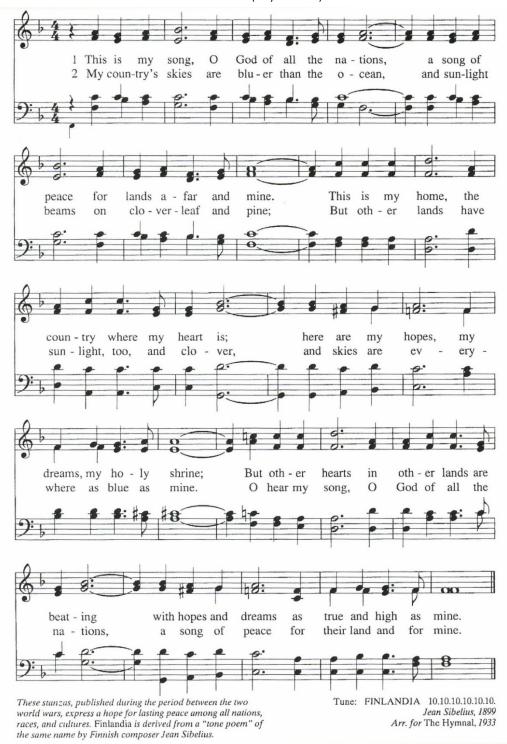
The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, \* slow to anger and of great kindness.

The Lord is loving to everyone \* and his compassion is over all his works.

The Second Lesson Hebrews 11:8-16

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.



The Gospel Matthew 5:43-48

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon

#### The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

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 and the Son, 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

## A Litany for Our Nation

As we remember the birth of our nation, and the gifts of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, let us offer our thanks and prayers to God, the giver of all good gifts.

For the women and men who braved the long journey by sea to come to this land,

## We thank you Lord.

For the tribes and nations who inhabited this land for generation upon generation,

#### We thank you Lord.

For patriots who dreamed of, and fought for, a free nation,

# We thank you Lord.

For the men and women who laid the foundation of our democracy, and who pledged liberty and justice for all,

#### We thank you Lord.

For those who built this country brick by brick, road by road, and town by town,

#### We thank you Lord.

For the brave soldiers who have fought for our country, for all who paid for our freedom by their service, and those who paid by their sacrifice,

#### We thank you Lord.

For the innovators and artists, poets and teachers, farmers and factory workers; for all who labor and provide for the common good,

#### We thank you Lord.

For this land, with its peaks and valleys, coasts and deserts, fields and meadows,

#### We thank you Lord.

For our own community, for those who came before us in this place, and for our neighbors near and far,

# We thank you Lord.

Lord, we pray for The United States, that we might be a nation which defends and promotes liberty and freedom, truth and justice.

# We thank you Lord.

That we might always be a nation where all are free to worship and pray,

# We thank you Lord.

That we might be a beacon of freedom to all those who live under the shadow of terror and hopelessness,

# We thank you Lord.

That those who are elected to govern and lead would be guided by you, and be ever aware of the trust that has been given them,

### We thank you Lord.

That we would be a people who repent from our sins, and who always return to you and to your grace,

### We thank you Lord.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, for all on our prayer list including. our parishioners **Pam Weed; Susan Glenz-Pierce; Sandi Maloney; Heather Robertson;** and **Beth Zimmerman.** 

We pray for all who have died, remembering especially those lost in the condo collapse in Florida, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom and solace for their families during the recovery process.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;

### For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We give thanks for our parish community, especially **Nancy Dillon; Sandra & Joe Dobbs; Mimi & Titu Doctor;** and **Nancy & Jonathan Edman.** 

Gracious God, bless and defend us and our land; prosper the work of our hands, give us a thirst for justice, increase in us your grace and compassion, and our offerings of thanks to you, our rock and our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

#### People

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

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

#### The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### **Announcements**

# The Holy Communion

#### **Offertory Anthem**

"With One Heart"

Mark Patterson

Andrea Patten-Weerakoon, soloist, Elizabeth Wong Mark, flute

With one heart and one voice we will glorify the Lord
As we learn together to sing with one accord. Though
Each one here is diff'rent in so many ways, we can all
Join together in one song of praise. With one heart and one voice
We come now to sing, raising one alleluia to Christ, our King.
Lord you have shown us your mercy, you've shown us
Forgiveness each day. Now help us to love one another and
Show the world your spirit of grace.

With one heart and one voice we will glorify the Lord as we Learn together to sing with one accord. So come ev'ry nation With voices raised. We can all join together in one song of praise. With one heart and one voice we come now to sing, Raising one alleluia to Christ, our King. Raising one alleluia to Christ, our King.

## Offertory Hymn 596

Judge eternal, throned in splendor

Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens



### The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

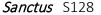
People We lift them to the Lord.

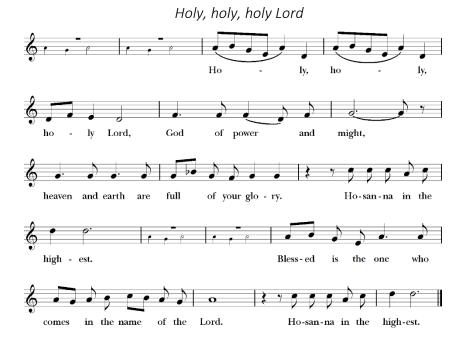
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:





William Mathias

#### Then the Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

## Christ will come again.

Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Mary, Dunstan, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### Fraction Anthem – Hymn 400, Verse 1

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Bright burning sun with golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

### The Communion of the People

#### **Communion Anthem**

"Bread of the World"
Words by Reginald Heber, Music by Richard Shephard
Jonathan Throop, soloist

Bread of the world, in mercy broken, Wine of the soul, in mercy shed, By Whom the words of life were spoken, And in Whose death our sins are dead.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed; And be Thy feast to us the token, That by Thy grace our souls are fed. That by Thy grace our souls are fed.

# **Prayer after Communion** 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.

# **Blessing**

May the joyful fire of the Spirit dance within you and set happiness ablaze in your life.

May the blaze of the Spirit's courage ignite in you a passion for truth and justice.

May the wind of the Spirit breathe into you new life, new hope, and new blessings, this day and always. Amen.

# **Closing Hymn**

# O beautiful for spacious skies

Materna



The Dismissal

Response

Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** 

Polonaise in A Major, Op.40 No.1 "Military" Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849)

# Ministry Schedule

July 4thJuly 11thVestry on DutyBob LonginoLynn HoodLay ReaderBob LonginoBob LonginoLector – 1st LessonClaudia GimsonLynn HoodLector – 2nd LessonBruce LafitteNancy Dillon

Acolyte

Usher Gwen McAlpine & Paul Zimmer Wayne Hood

Bob Longino

Altar Guild Claudia Gimson & Rhea Hannah Cathy Leake & Elizabeth Wong Mark

Flower Guild Kate Gaul Claudia Gimson

Coffee Hour Hosts Tricia, Joe and Joseph Henry Monti

IT Streaming Support Joseph Henry Monti Joseph Henry Monti

# Happy Anniversary

Andrea Patten Weerakoon & Anil Weerakoon July 9

# Happy Birthday

Misty Bentz July 4 Katie Turner July 9

# Prayers

Parishioners: Pam Weed; Susan Glenz-Pierce; Sandi Maloney; Heather Robertson; and Beth Zimmerman.

Family: Fred Gimson, uncle of John Gimson; Gloria DeSilva, cousin of Anil Weerakoon; Preston Wilson, brother of Mary Jane Hannah; Martha Springer, mother of Randy Springer; Matt Stanhope, nephew of Martha O'Brien; Reid Turner, brother of Sarah Hancock; Sandi & John Maloney, parents of Heather Robertson; Priscilla Williams, sister of Bessie Holland; Hilary Foster, niece of Claudia Gimson; Jessica Longino Carrillo, family of Bob Longino; Jeannette Davis, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; Pete Webb, brother of Hulan Webb; Vincent Lafitte; Mary Jane Hobbs, sister of Sara Thomas; Barbara Martello, niece of Mimi Gold; Maude Harris, cousin of Gloria Nelson;, mother of Justin Camara; Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey, Sydney Cortez & Family, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; Tammy Hauser, sister-in-law of Steve and Susan Hauser; Arvis Morris, mother, and Katy Greenawalt, sister of Lee Morris; Deborah Smith, wife of Leon Smith.

Friends: S.J. Purdy, William Page, (Debbie Jones); Jonathan Woodlief, (Sandra & Joe Dobbs); Mike Carscaddon (Bob Longino); Pat Park & Rev. Canon Lynell Walker (Andrea Patten-Weerakoon & Anil Weerakoon); Bob Adams, (Mary Jane Hannah); Ellie Richards, Sherrel Howard, (Mimi Gold); Brad Johnson (Priscilla Davis); Sara Jane Gower (Lindsey Reece); Kirby Husbands, (Hulan Webb); Amber Bradshaw, Janet Cobb (Claudia Gimson); The Younus Family, (Nancy & Jonathan Edman); Christina & Francesco Ianni, Pat Buffington, Frances Cortez, (Rhea Hannah); Benjamin Banas, (Cathy Leake); Marilyn McCroskey, (Alan Toney); Judy, (David Abner); Elaine Furman, (Deborah Reece); Lenay Horten, Gregory Olvey, Myrtle Alexander, (Gloria Nelson); Mike, Beth and infant San Hatter; Michellene Tipton, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor).

For those who have died remembering especially those lost in the Surfside Residential Tower collapse.

We give thanks for our parish community, especially **Nancy Dillon**; **Sandra & Joe Dobbs**; **Mimi & Titu Doctor**; and **Nancy & Jonathan Edman**.  $\Phi$ 

We invite you to use this prayer list for your personal prayers. St. Dunstan's Julian of Norwich chapter of The Daughters of the King prays daily for all on the prayer list.