ST. DUNSTAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Atlanta, Georgía



The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

Streaming Facebook Live at 10:45 A.M.

Prelude

"Morning has Broken"

Bunessan arr. Larry Shackley

Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn 191

Alleluia, alleluia

Lux eoi



Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt. Music: Lux eoi, Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900).

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People	The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.*

Gloria in excelsis	S 280	Gloria in excelsis	Robert Powell
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.		
People	And also with you.		
Celebrant	Together let us pray.	Together let us pray.	

The Collect said by all

We come before you, our God and Sustainer, remembering that you are our Creator and the source of all being. Out of your love the universe was born. From primordial darkness you put in place all that is needed for growth and saw that it was good. You have put this world into our hands: may we recognize your Spirit within it, disturbing and challenging us to care for creation, for the weak and the deprived. Lord we remember that we are called by you to nourish the earth and its diversity of life to share the gifts you have given, with one another and with the poor of the world. Amen.

The First Lesson

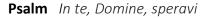
Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Lector	The Word	of the	Lord.

People Thanks be to God.





Bless our God, you / peoples; make the voice of his praise to be / heard;

Who holds our souls in / life, and will not allow our feet to / slip.

For you, O God, have proved / us; you have tried us just as silver is / tried. Psalm 66:7-18

You brought us into the / snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our / backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and / water; but you brought us out into a place of re- / freshment.

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my / vows, which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in / trouble.

I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of / rams; I will give you oxen and / goats.

Come and listen, all you who fear / God, and I will tell you what he has done for / me.

- I called out to him with my / mouth, and his praise was on my / tongue.
- If I had found evil in my / heart, the Lord would not have heard / me;

But in truth God has heard / me; he has attended to the voice of my / prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not rejected my / prayer, nor withheld his love from / me.

The Second Lesson

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



The Gospel

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth,. whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you." I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

PriestThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Patricia Templeton

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

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray to God, who alone makes us dwell in safety.

Upon the rich earth send a blessing, O Lord. Let the earth be fruitful and its resources be hallowed.

Hear us, Lord.

Upon human labor send a blessing, O Lord. Prosper the work of our hands; may all find dignity and just reward in their work; free the exploited and the oppressed.

Hear us, Lord.

Upon the produce of the earth send a blessing, O Lord. Guide us into a sustainable future, and give us the will to share the fruits of the world.

Hear us, Lord.

Upon the seas and water send a blessing, O Lord. Teach us to cherish the water of the earth, and to conserve the seas, lakes, and rivers.

Hear us, Lord.

Upon aid agencies send a blessing, O Lord. Where the earth is parched and the well has run dry; where war brings want, and children go hungry; where the poor cry out for bread and justice, give hands to care and heal and compel us to be generous.

Hear us, Lord.

Celebrant; O God, our Creator, whose great goodness has provided for our needs; help us so to use, develop, and preserve the resources of the earth that through our industry, the needs of all may be fulfilled, human dignity enhanced, and your people live in true prosperity and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Installation of the Vestry

Vestry members come forward.

Celebrant: Do you commit yourself to carry out the responsibilities of the office to which you have been appointed?

Vestry members: I do.

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your commitment to follow Christ and to serve this congregation in his name?

Vestry members: I do.

Celebrant: (to the congregation) Will you do all in your power to support these congregational leaders with your prayers, your honest but gracious communication with them, and your willingness to help carry out Christ's ministry in this church?

Congregation: We will.

Celebrant: In the name of God and this congregation I commission you as a member of the vestry.

Together let us pray.

Almighty God, look with favor upon these your servants who have reaffirmed their commitment to follow Christ and serve in his name. Give them courage, patience, and vision; and strengthen us all in our Christian vocation of witness to the world and of service to others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

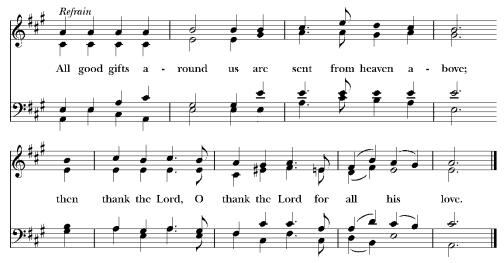
"Since by Man Came Death"

from *Messiah* G.F. Handel

Wir pflugen

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Offertory Hymn 291 We plow the fields, and scatter 1 We scat - ter the good seed plow the fields, and on the land. on - ly 2 He is the Ma - ker of all things near and far; 3 We Fa - ther, for thank thee, then, -0 all things bright and good, 4 it fed and God's al - might - y but is wa - tered by hand; paints the way-side he flow - er, he lights the eve ning star; the seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food: sends the snow in he win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain, the winds and waves o bey him, by himthe birds are fed; thy love im - parts, the gifts we have of - fer are what to O Θ re - fresh - ing the sun-shine, and soft breez - es and the rain. much more to us, his chil-dren, he gives our dai - ly bread. but chief - ly thou de sir - est our hum - ble thank - ful hearts.



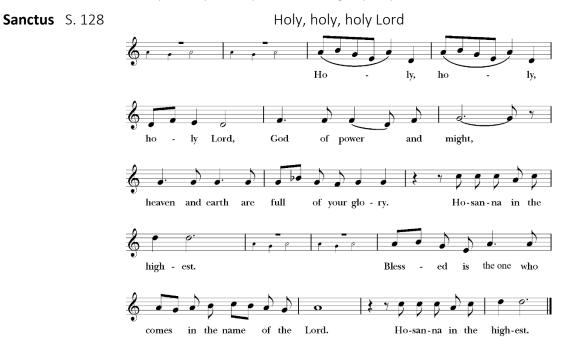
Words: Matthias Claudius (1740-1815); tr. Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878), alt. Music: Wir Pflugen, Johann Abraham Peter Schulz (1747-1800).

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

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	<i>It is right to give God thanks and praise.</i>

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: 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 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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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. **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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem S. 155

Christ our Passover



The Gifts of God for the People of God.



Mendon



Words: Simon Browne (1680-1732), alt. Music: Mendon, melody from Methodist Harmonist, 1981; adapt. and harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Prayer after Communion Celebrant and People

Creator God, Jesus teaches us through the beauty and abundance of creation to put our trust in you for all things. We ask you now to bless our fields and gardens, our hills and streams, our rivers, lakes, reservoirs and seas, that in all these things we might glimpse a reflection of your glory and your gracious love for each one of us. Bless, O Lord, this parish and all the homes in this place. Give us good health, purity of spirit, strength and humility, hospitality, a spirit of forgiveness and firm knowledge of our need to seek you in all things. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

Easter Blessing

The blessing of God who creates life, Be upon you as you celebrate life.

The blessing of God who restores life, Be upon you as you seek new life.

The blessing of God, who sanctifies life, Be upon you as you give life to others.

Amen.



Words: Edward White Benson (1829-1896), alt. Music: Kingsfold, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

The Dismissal

Response Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

"The Village March"

Ferris Tozer

The altar flowers are given by Tricia in honor of Joseph Henry Monti on his birthday and graduation from Georgia Tech, and in memory of her mother, Lena Dot Templeton.

Happy Anniversary Deborah & Bill Reece May 16 Happy Birthday Joesph Henry Monti May 15

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Rhea Hannah; Eileen Zimmer; Priscilla Davis; and John Floyd.

Family: Sue Camara, mother of Mike Camara; Antoinette Watts, sister of Marshall Kress; Brett Bradshaw, goddaughter, Hilary Foster, niece of Claudia Gimson; Paul Stein, nephew of Harriett Smith; Tom H., brother of Brenda Patten; Sam Gilgour, brother of Katie Turner; Jessica LeClaire, sister of Sara Thornton; Scott O'Connell, brother of Mark; Gray Cavender, Aaron Atkinson, family of Bob Longino; Nancy Moore, family of Mary Jane Hannah; Jim Montsinger, nephew and Claude Thompson, son-in-law of Priscilla Davis; Linda Blocksom, sister of Susie Throop; Bill Fields, brother of Nancy Dillon; Pamela V. Bowers, sister of Suzanne Van de Mark; Katy Greenawalt, sister of Lee Morris; Jack & Linda Mobley and Vincent Lafitte, family of Daria Jones & Bruce Lafitte; Clare Richardson, sister-in-law of Penny France; Tiffiny Lucas, niece, Linda Johnson, sister of Vivian Siggers; Deborah Ellis-Williams, mother of Jackie O'Connell; Priscilla Williams, sister of Bessie Holland; Jeannette Davis, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; Mary Jane Hobbs, sister of Sara Thomas; Barbara Martello, niece of Mimi Gold; Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey, Sydney Cortez & Family, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor.

Friends: Bob Laney (Bob Wolfson); Randy Yates (Bruce Lafitte); John and Brian Birchall and Alyssa Volpe; Abigail Ludwig (Lindsey Reece); Lisa Ridges, Tony Rozen, Amanda Ippolito & Family; Rose Faison, Mary Jane Graff, Anne Henry, Tim Embry, (Davis Family); Scott Moe, (Brenda Patten); Jennifer Pern; Sherrel Howard, (Mimi Gold); Jacki Labat; Carolyn Long Banks; Angela Mattson, (Lee Morris); Cindy Hind, (Fair Sutherlin); Claudia Nash, Loretta Roberts, Benjamin Banas, (Cathy Leake); Sandy Jusak, Tammy McCullough, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor); Steve Murray, (Bob Longino); Walter Buchanan, Pat Buffington, (Rhea Hannah); and Susan Glenz-Pierce, (Suzanne Van de Mark).

We pray for all those who have died, remembering especially **Pam Cole**, grandmother of Lucas & Amelia Camara.

We give thanks for our parish community, Lucy & John and Jace & Wallis Kaltenbach; Reneé Kastanakis & Rick Bent; Marshall Kress; Nancy Knight & Keith Latimore.

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	May 14 th	May 21st
Vestry on Duty	Suzanne Johnson	Vivian Siggers
Lay Reader 8:30 am	Harriett Smith	Peg Maloney
Lay Reader: 10:45 am	Lynn Hood	Hanna Woodburn
Lector 1 st Lesson	John Morgan	Vivian Siggers
Lector 2 nd Lesson	Sandra Dobbs	Marshall Kress
Ushers / Greeters	Nina Braziel	Ralph Paulk
Altar Guild	Claudia / Cathy /	Marshall / Cathy /
	Elizabeth	Mary Jane
Flower Guild	Nancy Dillon	Suzanne Van de Mark
		Graduation Cookout
Coffee Hour Hosts		in the Beech Grove – bring a side dish

Ministry Schedule

Announcements

Sunday, May 21st During the Coffee Hour after the late service we will hold a Cookout and Picnic in the Beech Grove to celebrate our graduates for this year. If you'd like to provide a side dish or salad for our picnic, please let Claudia know at office@stdunstan.net.

Come wish our graduates well as they enter the next phase of their life...

Quinn Changus – The University of Texas, Austin: East Asian Studies and Music

Joseph Henry Monti – Georgia Institute of Technology, Bachelor of Architecture

Alexander Pierre - University of Virginia, MBA

Fina Hernandez – Riverwood High School – Headed to Kennesaw State University

Jace Kaltenbach – North Atlanta High School – Headed to University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

Wallis Kaltenbach – North Atlanta High School – Headed to Loyola University Chicago

Sunday, May 28th - Day of Pentecost – Wear your red! We will return to our Summer Schedule. There will be only one service at 10:00. Sunday school will be on hiatus until the fall.

Sunday, June 4th –Trinity Sunday

Solidarity Sandy Springs. We are once again collecting food and other items for the pantry. With school breaking for the summer, the need is even greater. Please think about picking something on your next trip to the grocery store. Elise Macintyre is our food delivery ambassador whenever the red wagon is full.

Vestry 2023 – 2024

Bob Longino, Sr. Warden; Vivian Siggers, Jr. Warden; Lynn Hood; Wayne Hood; Susie Throop; Kate Gaul; Suzanne Johnson; Andrea Patten-Weerakoon; Ralph Paulk

The Reverend Patricia Templeton, Rector

The Reverend Maggie Harney, Priest Associate Cameron Carey, Parish Musician Claudia Gimson, Parish Administrator Rhea Hannah, Volunteer Administrative Assistant



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