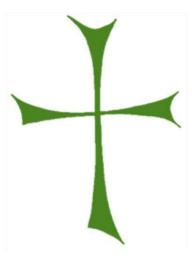
# St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



# The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 9, 2023

The Holy Eucharist

Streaming on FaceBook Live at 10 A.M.

**Prelude** "Méditation Jules Massenet



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

# 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.

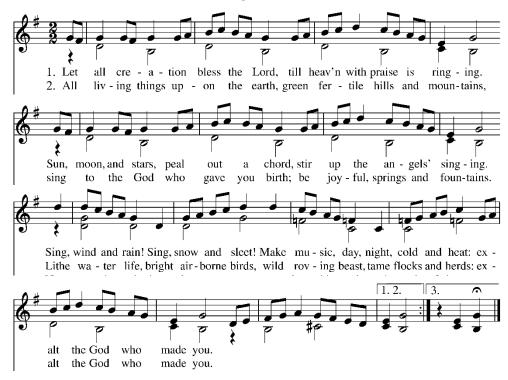
**Collect for Purity** *said by the Celebrant* 

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.** 

# Song of Praise WLP 885

# A Song of Creation

Whitehead



Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Together let us pray.

## **The Collect** said by all

Lord of heaven and earth, whose Son came eating and drinking, exposing the rivalry that tears the world apart: may we share his feast and friendship and lay our burdens in his liberating arms; through Jesus Christ, Wisdom's child. Amen.

The First Lesson Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:8-15



The Lord is gracious and full of com-/passion, \* slow to anger and of great kind / ness.

The Lord is loving to every- / one \* and his compassion is over all his / works.

All your works praise you, O / Lord, \* and your faithful servants bless / you.

They make known the glory of your / kingdom \* and speak of your / power;

That the peoples may know of your / power \* and the glorious splendor of your / kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting / kingdom; \* your dominion endures throughout all / ages.

The Lord is faithful in all his / words \* and merciful in all his / deeds.

The Lord upholds all those who / fall; \* he lifts up those who are bowed / down.

The Second Lesson Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



Church Hymnal for the Church Year, 1917.

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

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

Sermon

The Gospel

The Rev. 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.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

#### Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation remembering those on our prayer list especially our parishioners, **Penny France**, **Sibley Fleming**, **Rhea Hannah**, **Eileen Zimmer**, **Priscilla Davis**, and **John Floyd**.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life including our parish community, especially, **Peggy Rogers**; **Steven Schneider & Tom Gibbs**; **Vivian Siggers**; and **Harriett & Whit Smith**.

#### Silence

The Celebrant continues

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers that divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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**

"Assurance"

Based on Assurance and Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring Arr. John Ness Beck, trans. Craig Courtney

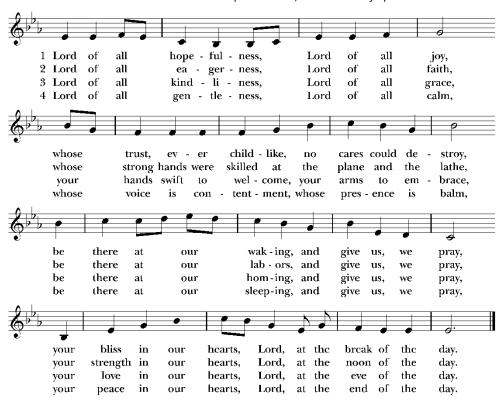
Fina Hernandez, soloist

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long, This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long, This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all my life long



Words: Jan Struther (1901-1953). By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: Slane, Irish ballad melody; adapt. The Church Hymnary, 1927; harm. Hymnal 1982.

# 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:

Sanctus WLP 850

Holy, holy, holy

(Dimmock) (Missa Appalachia)

The people stand or kneel.
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.

# The Breaking of the Bread



The Celebrant continues

The Gifts of God for the People of God.



6 Just as I am, of thy great love the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove, here for a season, then above: O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871). Music: Woodworth, William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868).

#### **Prayer after Communion** Celebrant and People

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Blessing

And now, may God bless us with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation, so that we may continue to work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war, so that we may reach out our hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.

May God bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world, so that we can do what others claim cannot be done.

And may the Blessing of God Almighty, the One who Creates, Redeems, and Sanctifies, be upon you and all you love, this day, and forever more. **Amen.** 



Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969), alt. By permission of the author. Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932).

**Dismissal** 

Response Thanks be to God!

**Postlude** 

Les Barricades Mystérieuses

François Couperin

# Ministry Schedule

	July 9th	July 16th
Vestry on Duty	Susie Throop	Vivian Siggers
Lay Reader: 10:00 am	Susie Throop	Nancy Dillon
Lector 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Shirley Morgan	Vivian Siggers
Lector 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	John Morgan	Sandra Dobbs
Ushers / Greeters	Gwen McAlpine /	Mimi Gold
	Paul Zimmer	
Altar Guild	Marshall / Mary Jane	Claudia / Mary Jane
Flower Guild	Kate Gaul	Claudia Gimson

Happy Anniversary

Andrea & Anil Weerakoon July 9 Lori Westphal & Max Changus July 11

Happy Birthday

Katie Turner July 9 Claudia Gimson July 15

# Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Penny France; Sibley Fleming; Rhea Hannah; Eileen Zimmer; Priscilla Davis; and John Floyd.

Family: Sergio Whyte, brother-in-law of Bessie Holland; Sue Camara, mother of Mike Camara; Antoinette Watts, sister of Marshall Kress; Paul Stein, nephew of Harriett Smith; 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; 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: John Heller; Jacki Labat; (Lee Morris); Ron Hand, John and Brian Birchall and Alyssa Volpe; Abigail Ludwig (Lindsey Reece); Jackie Quinn, Claudia Nash, Loretta Roberts, Benjamin Banas, (Cathy Leake); Norma Clahar, Nancy Domer (Paul Zimmer); Bob Laney (Bob Wolfson); Randy Yates (Bruce Lafitte); Lisa Ridges, Tony Rozen, Amanda Ippolito & Family; Rose Faison, Mary Jane Graff, Anne Henry, Tim Embry, (Davis Family); Jennifer Pern; Sherrel Howard, (Mimi Gold); Cindy Hind, (Fair Sutherlin); Sandy Jusak, Tammy McCullough, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor); Steve Murray, (Bob Longino); Bonnie Lutz, Walter Buchanan, Pat Buffington, (Rhea Hannah); and Susan Glenz-Pierce, (Suzanne Van de Mark).

We pray for who have died.

We give thanks for our parish community, especially, Peggy Rogers; Steven Schneider & Tom Gibbs; Vivian Siggers; and Harriett & Whit Smith.