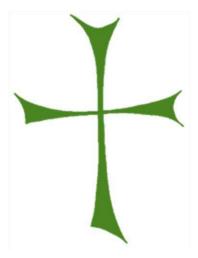
## St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



# The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2023

The Holy Eucharist

Streaming on FaceBook Live at 10 A.M.

**Prelude** 

Concerto Grosso in B minor, Op.6, No.12: III. Larghetto e piano

G.F. Handel, arr. Ludwig Stark

**Hymn** 410



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### 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.

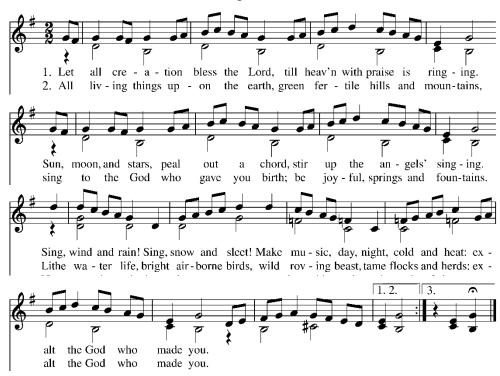
#### **Collect for Purity** said by the Celebrant

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

Unclean God, braving defilement, inviting offence; you share your bread with vermin and outsiders; you let the Gentile woman subvert your plans: give us the faith that comes from the heart and walks beyond our boundary posts that we might be surprised by outrageous grace; through Jesus Christ, son of Davis and light of the world. Amen.

The First Lesson Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years;

and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm Ecce, quam bonum!

Psalm 133



Oh, how good and pleasant it / is, when brethren live together in uni - / ty!

It is like fine oil upon the / head that runs down upon the / beard,

Upon the beard of / Aaron, and runs down upon the collar of his / robe.

It is like the dew of / Hermon that falls upon the hills of / Zion.

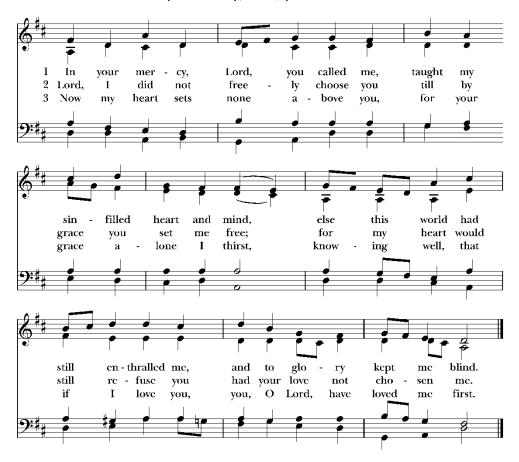
For there the Lord has ordained the / blessing: life for ever - / more.

The Second Lesson Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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



The Gospel Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."]

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### 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, children go hungry; where the poor cry out for bread and justice, give hands to care and heal and compel us to be generous. We pray especially for peace in Ukraine and for the people of Maui.

#### Hear us, Lord.

Give to the departed eternal rest, remembering especially, **Gray Cavender**, cousin of Bob Longino, and **Evan Kinley**, family of Trisha Templeton.

#### 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, Nancy Knight Latimore; Wayne Hood; Suzanne Van de Mark; Lee Morris; Penny France; Sibley Fleming; Eileen Zimmer; Priscilla Davis; and John Floyd.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life including our parish community, **Elizabeth Wong Mark** and **Connor; Sheila Woodard; Hanna Woodburn & Stephanie Elesser;** and **Eileen Zimmer.** 

Silence

#### The Celebrant continues

Liberating God, grant us grace to contend fearlessly against evil and to make no peace with oppression. Help us, like those generations before us who resisted the evil of slavery and human bondage in any form and any manner of oppression. Help us to use our freedoms to bring justice among people and nations everywhere to the glory of your holy name, 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** 

"Prayer of St. Francis"

Roland E. Martin

Fina Hernandez and Matthew McCawley, soloists

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love.

Where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union;

Where there is doubt, faith; and where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console;

To be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.

Attr. St. Francis of Assisi



#### 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 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.



#### **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: Mary Ann Thomson (1834-1923), alt. Music: Tidings, James Walch (1837-1901).

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Thanks be to God!

Postlude "Prelude in Classic Style" Gordon Young

We welcome The Rev. Stefanie Taylor as our guest priest this Sunday.

The altar flowers are given by Donna & Ben Thomas in memory of Bella, their beloved canine companion of twelve years that they recently lost.

### Happy Birthday

Alexander Changus August 21 Brenda Patten August 21

### Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Nancy Knight Latimore; Wayne Hood; Suzanne Van de Mark; Lee Morris; Penny France; Sibley Fleming; Eileen Zimmer; Priscilla Davis; and John Floyd.

Family: Diana Jacinto, daughter in-law, Aaron Atkinson, family of Bob Longino; Sergio Whyte, brother-in-law of Bessie Holland; Sue Camara, mother of Mike Camara; Antoinette Watts, sister of Marshall Kress; Sam Gilgour, brother of Katie Turner; Jessica LeClaire, sister of Sara Thornton; Scott O'Connell, brother of Mark;, 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: Darrel Hartman, Norma Clahar, Nancy Domer (Paul Zimmer); Martha, Angela & sons, Bonnie Lutz, Walter Buchanan, Pat Buffington, (Rhea Hannah); 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); 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); and Susan Glenz-Pierce, (Suzanne Van de Mark).

We pray for those have died remembering especially, **Gray Cavender**, cousin of Bob Longino, and **Evan Kinley**, family of Trisha Templeton.

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### Ministry Schedule

	August 20th	August 27th
Vestry on Duty	Susie Throop	Ralph Paulk
Lay Reader: 10 am	Susie Throop	Nancy Dillon
Lector 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Jessie Leyden	Marshall Kress
Lector 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	Claudia Gimson	Bruce Lafitte
Ushers / Greeters	Gwen / Paul	Ralph Paulk
Altar Guild	Claudia / Elizabeth	Marshall Kress
Flower Guild	Donna Thomas	
Coffee Hour Hosts	Gwen McAlpine/ Charis	
	Bowling / Daria Jones	

#### 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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