St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



The First Sunday in Lent February 18, 2024

The Holy Eucharist 8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.

THE GREAT LITANY

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mercy on us.
 Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy on us.
 Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful, Have mercy on us.
 Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, One God, Have mercy on us.

]]. From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy;

from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,

Savior deliver us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money;

from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,

Savior deliver us.

From sins of body and mind;

from deceits of the world, flesh, and the devil,

Savior deliver us.

From famine and disaster;

from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,

Savior deliver us.

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death;

and at the day of judgment,

Savior deliver us.

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation,

Savior deliver us.

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power;

by the preaching of your reign,

Savior deliver us.

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,

Savior deliver us.

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,

Savior deliver us.

III. Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

Hear us, O Christ.

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth;

and grant it that unity which is your will.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world,

and to make disciples of all the nations.

Hear us, O Christ.

Enlighten your bishops, priests, and deacons with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.

Hear us, O Christ.

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

Hear us, O Christ.

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

Hear us, O Christ.

V. Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of justice and peace, remembering especially the people of Ukraine.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give your wisdom and strength to the President of the United States; the Governor of this state; and the Mayor of this city; that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give to the Congress of the United States; the members of the President's Cabinet; those who serve in our state legislature; and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth.

Hear us, O Christ.

Bless the Justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.

Hear us, O Christ.

Bless and keep all your people,

Hear us, O Christ.

 \bigvee . Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved, and the oppressed.

Hear us, O Christ.

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

Hear us, O Christ.

Heal the sick in body, mind, or spirit;

and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

Hear us, O Christ.

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

Hear us, O Christ.

Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages, refugees, and all who are in trouble.

Hear us, O Christ.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

Hear us, O Christ.

Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

Hear us, O Christ.

V. Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.



The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures forever.

Collect for Purity *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.**

The Collect of the Day said by all

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

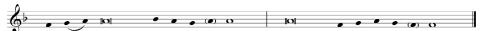
Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm Ad te, Domine, levavi

Psalm 25:1-9

The cantor sings the first line of each couplet; all respond with the second line.



To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I / put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies / triumph over me.

Let none who look to you / be put to shame;

let the treacherous be disa - / ppointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O Lord, and / teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;

in you have I / trusted all the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your com- / passion and love,

for they are / from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and / my transgressions;

remember me according to your love, and for the sake / of your goodness, O Lord.

Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches / sinners in his way. He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his / way to the lowly.

All the paths of the Lord are / love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant / and his testimonies.

The Second Lesson 1 Peter 3:18-22

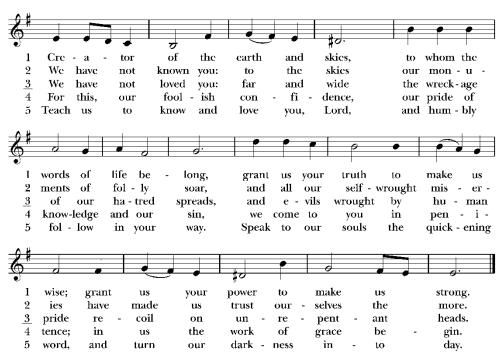
Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently 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.

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

Sequence Hymn 148

Creator of the earth and skies

Uffingham



The Gospel Mark 1:9-15

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem "If Ye Love Me" Thomas Tallis

If ye love me,
Keep my commandments,
And I will pray the Father,
And He shall give you another comforter,
That He may bide with you forever,
Ev'n the spirit of truth.

Offertory Hymn 150

Forty days and forty nights

Aus der Tiefe rufe ich



Words: George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870), alt. Music: Aus der Tiefe rufe ich, melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

The Great Thanksgiving

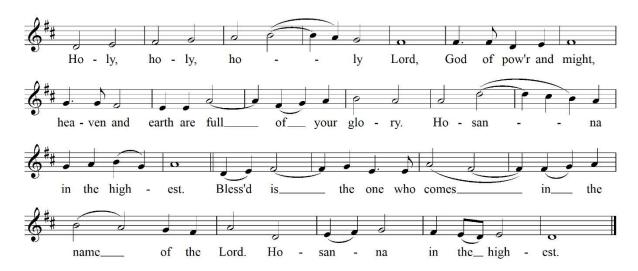
CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right and a good and joyful thing to give thanks to you always, Creator God, because you have made the world in all its complexity. You have given humanity abundant good things. You have provided us with paths leading to wisdom through deprivation and suffering. And you have shown us, through the incarnation of your love in Jesus Christ, the way of reconciliation through letting go of self and material concerns, seeking first the compassionate ways of God.

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



The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Ever Living God, you have created the world out of nothingness. You are present in both the darkness and the light.

You have created humanity from the dust of the earth, and have given us the ability to choose between good and evil. You have called your prophets and champions from among the lowly. You have formed your people through wanderings in the desert and through exile in foreign lands. In your creative thirst to be known to us, you have entered into our struggles, coming among us in the human person of Jesus the Christ. He was conceived amid scandal, born in want, raised in obscurity. With us he experienced hunger and thirst, temptation, rejection, doubt, grief, suffering, and death.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you. Do this in 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 sin. 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.

The Celebrant continues

Now in this sacred rite of thanksgiving and praise we celebrate the saving work of Jesus. For in him the cross, the instrument of torture and death, has been transformed into a sign of reconciliation and abundant life. Recalling his life and teaching, his death and resurrection, we offer these gifts of bread and wine. Spirit of Compassion, breathe upon them now, making them for us the very body and blood of your son, Jesus Christ. And breathe your Spirit into us so that, having partaken of this sacramental meal in faith, we may serve you in unity, constancy and peace, and may dwell forever in the joy of communion with you.

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:

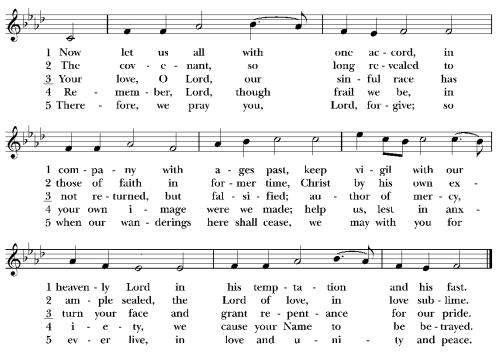
Agnus Dei S 164

Jesus, Lamb of God

Schubert/Proulx



The Communion of the People All people are invited to receive Communion.



Words: Att. Gregory the Great (540-604); tr. Praise the Lord, 1972, alt. James Quinn, SJ. Printed by permission of Geoffrey Chapman, a division of Cassell Ltd. Music: Bourbon, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780-1859); harm. Thomas Foster (b. 1938).

Prayer after Communion Celebrant and People

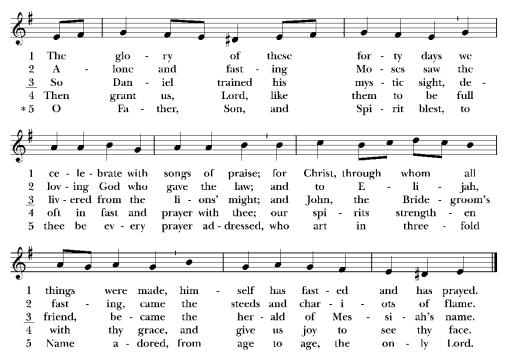
Gracious God, lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. Let us dream together, pray together, work together to build one world of peace and justice for all. Amen.

The Blessing

The blessing of God, who creates life out of death, be with you today.

The blessing of God, who suffers with the sin of this world and blesses all humankind with grace, be with you always.

The blessing of God, who sanctifies our lives, be with you as you reveal the power of God's love to save. **Amen**.



Words: Latin, 6th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell (1862-1947), alt. By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Leider*, 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

The Dismissal

Response

Thanks be to God.

There is no Postlude during Lent.

Ministry Schedule

	Feb 18 th 2024	Feb. 25 th 2024
Vestry on Duty	Suzanne Johnson	Bob Longino
Lay Reader: 8:30 am	Nancy Dillon	Peg Maloney
Lay Reader: 10:45 am	Alex Pierre	Bob Longino
Lector 1 st Lesson	Sandra Dobbs	Elizabeth Wong Mark
Lector 2 nd Lesson	Suzanne Johnson	Vivian Siggers
Ushers / Greeters	Mimi Gold	Elizabeth Wong Mark
Altar Guild	Marshall / Claudia / Elizabeth	Marshall / Cathy / Ralph
Coffee Hour Hosts	Dolores Waye	

Happy Anniversary

Gwen & Tom Barnett February 19

Happy Birthday

Bessie Holland February 21 John Gimson February 23

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Nancy Dillon; Lisa Wilson; Heather Robertson; David Abner; Pat Berman; Lee Morris; Mimi Doctor; Penny France; Suzanne Van de Mark; Eileen Zimmer; John Floyd; and former parishioner Lucy Davidson.

Family: Allison Rose, daughter, and Mary Jane Hobbs, sister of Sara Thomas; Roswitha & Klaus Moos, grandparents of Katharina McCawley; Gregory Neal, grandson, William, son of former parishioner Billie Neal; Nancy Moore, family of Mary Jane Hannah; Karen, sister of Steve Hauser; Joyce Emmons, cousin, Elizabeth Wong Mark; Jenny Richard, Diego and Kaira Sanchez, family of Brenda Patten and Andrea Patten-Weerakoon; Dan Westphal, father of Lori; Rosanne Falcone, cousin of Deborah Reece; Kohen Blair, nephew of Emma Blair and Allen Blair and Kelsey Miles, his parents; Sergio Whyte, brother-in-law of Bessie Holland; Diana Jacinto, daughter in-law, and Aaron Atkinson, family of Bob Longino; Antoinette Watts, sister of Marshall Kress; Jessica LeClaire, sister of Sara Thornton; 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; Barbara Martello, niece of Mimi Gold; Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey, Sydney Cortez & Family, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor.

Friends: Sam Roberson. (Lee Morris); Stan Sullivan, May Dalloul; Lazlo, Martha, Angela & sons, Bonnie Lutz, Walter Buchanan, Pat Buffington, (Rhea Hannah); Carolyn Neely Holmes (Vivian Siggers); Jhansi Ponniah, Lauren Sullivan, (Anil & Andrea Patten-Weerakoon); Steve Murray, (Bob Longino); Syukur Junus & Sharifah Idris, (St. Dunstan's New Pathways Family); Lars Olsson, Bruce Kenney, Michael Stratton, (Robertson Family); Madison Fucita & Family; K.C. Williams, Thomas Futch, Lisa Ridges, Bill Whitte, Tony Rozen, Amanda Ippolito & Family, Rose Faison, Mary Jane Graff, Anne Henry, Tim Embry, (Priscilla Davis); Darrel Hartman, Norma Clahar, Nancy Domer, (Paul Zimmer); Jackie Quinn, Loretta Roberts, Benjamin Banas, (Cathy Leake); Bob Laney (Bob Wolfson); Jennifer Pern; Sherrel Howard, (Mimi Gold); Cindy Hind, (Fair Sutherlin); and Sandy Jusak, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor).

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially **Libba Grace** and **Jimmy Williams**, friends of Lee Morris; and **Karen Graham**, friend of Cathy &Toby Raper.

We give thanks for our parish community, especially **Rick Bent & René Kastanakis**; **Misty Bentz & James Tran**; **Pat Berman**; and **Debbie Beverly**.