

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

July 6, 2025

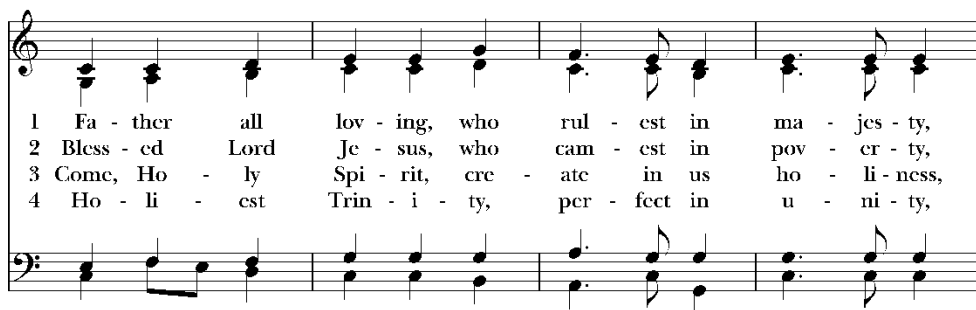
The Holy Eucharist

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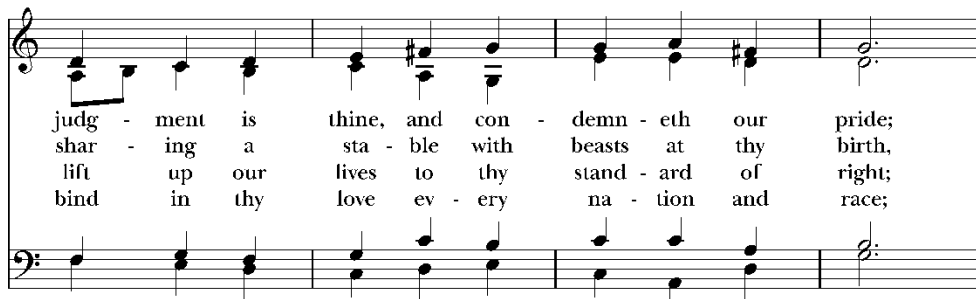
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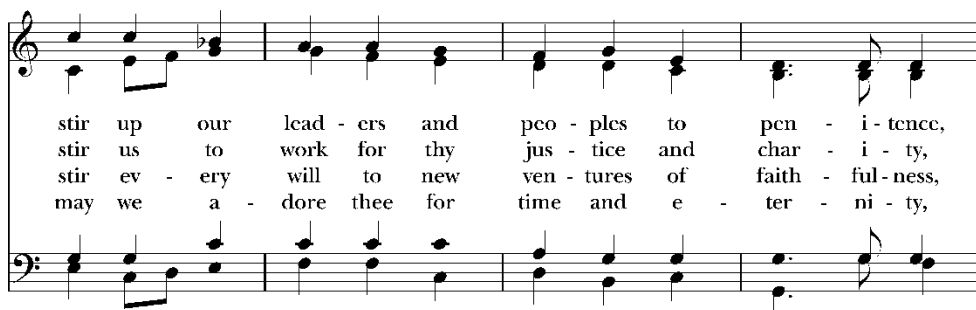
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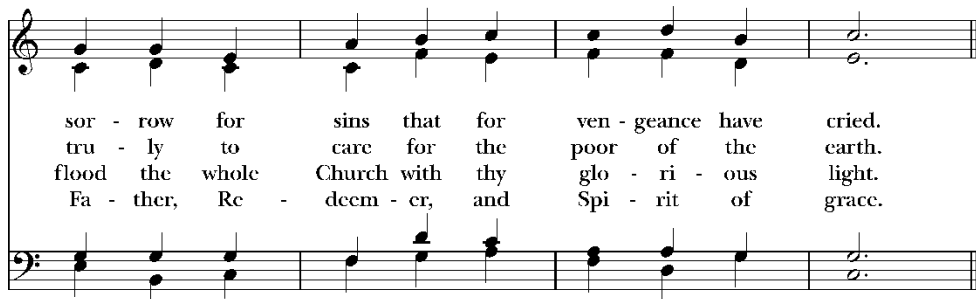
1 Fa - ther all lov - ing, who rul - est in ma - jes - ty,
 2 Bless - ed Lord Je - sus, who cam - est in pov - er - ty,
 3 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, cre - ate in us ho - li - ness,
 4 Ho - li - est Trin - i - ty, per - fect in u - ni - ty,



judg - ment is thine, and con - demn - eth our pride;
 shar - ing a sta - ble with beasts at thy birth;
 lift up our lives to thy stand - ard of right;
 bind in thy love ev - ery na - tion and race;



stir up our lead - ers and peo - ples to pen - i - tence,
 stir us to work for thy jus - tice and char - i - ty,
 stir ev - ery will to new ven - tures of faith - ful - ness,
 may we a - dore thee for time and e - ter - ni - ty,



sor - row for sins that for ven - geance have cried.
 tru - ly to care for the poor of the earth.
 flood the whole Church with thy glo - ri - ous light.
 Fa - ther, Re - deem - er, and Spi - rit of grace.

Words: Patrick Robert Norman Appleford (b. 1925), alt. By permission of The United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.
 Music: *Was lebet*, melody from *Choral-Buch vor Johann Heinrich Reinhardt*, 1754; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

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

Let all creation praise the Lord



1. Let all cre - a - tion bless the Lord, till heav'n with praise_ is ring - ing. Sun,
2. All liv - ing things up - on the earth, green fer - tile hills_ and moun - tains, sing
3. O men and wo - men ev - 'ry-where, lift up a hymn_ of glo - ry; let



moon, and stars, peal out a chord, stir up the an - gels' sing - ing. Sing,
to the God who gave you birth; be joy - ful, springs and foun - tains. Lithe
all who know God's stead - fast care tell our sal - va - tion's sto - ry. No



wind and rain! Sing, snow and sleet! Make mu - sic, day, night, cold and heat: ex -
wa - ter life, bright air - borne birds, wild rov - ing beasts, tame flocks and herds: ex -
tongue be si - lent; sing your part, you hum - ble souls and meek of heart: ex -



alt_ the God who made_ you.
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Music: *Allein Gott in der Höh, attr. Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541)*

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Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Collect for the Nation *said by all*

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *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.**

Sequence Hymn

This is my song

Finlandia

1. This is my song, O God of all the na-tions, a song of peace for
 2. My coun-try's skies are blu-er than the o-cean, and sun-light beams on
 3. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king-doms; Thy king-dom come; on

lands a-far and mine. This is my home, the coun-try where my heart is,
 clo-ver-leaf and pine; but oth-er lands have sun-light too, and clo-ver,
 earth thy will be done. That we may seek to love and build to- geth- er

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho-ly shrine; But oth-er hearts in
 and skies are ev-ery-where as blue as mine. O hear my song, thou
 a world u-nit-ed, right-ing ev-ery wrong; a world u-nit-ed

oth-er lands are beat-ing with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 God of all the na-tions, a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 in its love for jus-tice, pro-claim-ing peace to- geth- er in one song.

Music: *Finlandia*, Jean Sibelius, 1899 Words: Lloyd Stone, 1934 (alt.)

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."

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Reverend Patricia Templeton

The Creed

I believe in God, the Creator, the Almighty,
maker of a heaven and earth without borders or nations,
who created all people in the Divine image,
who led people from slavery to freedom
through exile and exodus,
the God of homelands lost and found,
the God of Temple and desert, of manna and sacrifice.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made human, joining us as strangers and exiles on the earth,
showing us how to bring about God's kingdom here and now,
who was born under occupation
and as an infant fled with his parents to Egypt for safety,
becoming aliens in a foreign land,
who suffered under the imperial power of Pontius Pilate,
was crucified by the state, died, and buried.

On the third day he rose again, opening for us the door to new life,
destroying the power of death.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races,
who proceeds from the Creator and the Son, unity in diversity, three in one.

I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church,
a communion of saints across countries and centuries.
I look for the coming of the Kingdom of God,
where our passport is love,
our bodies are resurrected and healed,
where the image of God in all of us is honored,
and all nations, tribes, creeds, and people are reconciled in the place
where there is no mourning or sadness, no exile or despair,
where we will be no longer strangers or guests
but lambs gathered safely home in the arms of the Good Shepherd. AMEN.

Prayers of the People for Sound Government

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

Lord, keep this nation under your care.

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

Give grace to your servants, O Lord.

Teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

For yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Amen.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, for all on our prayer list including. our parishioners **Sheila Woodard; Eileen Zimmer; Priscilla Davis; Cathy Leake; Donna Thomas; Penny France; and Suzie Combete.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

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

Gwen & Tom Barnett; Llewlyn Bell; Eddie Belgard; and Rick Bent & Reneé Kastanakis.

Silence

The Celebrant continues

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.

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 Music

Be Still and Know with Be Still, My Soul

Mark Hayes

Offertory Hymn 591

O God of earth and altar

King's Lynn

1 O God of earth and al - tar, bow down and hear our cry,
2 From all that ter - ror teach - es, from lies of tongue and pen,
3 Tie in a liv - ing teth - er the prince and priest and thrall,
our earth - ly ru - lers fal - ter, our peo - ple drift and die;
from all the cas - y speech - es that com - fort cru - el men,
bind all our lives to - geth - er, smite us and save us all;
the walls of gold en - tomb us, the swords of scorn di - vide,
from sale and prof - a - na - tion of hon - or, and the sword,
in ire and ex - ul - ta - tion a - flame with faith, and free,
take not thy thun - der from us, but take a - way our pride,
from sleep and from dam - na - tion, de - liv - er us, good Lord!
lift up a liv - ing na - tion, a sin - gle sword to thee.

Words: Gilbert Keith Chesterton (1874-1936). Music: *King's Lynn*, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

The Great Thanksgiving (*Alternative Eucharistic Prayer is from *Enriching Our Worship*)

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.**

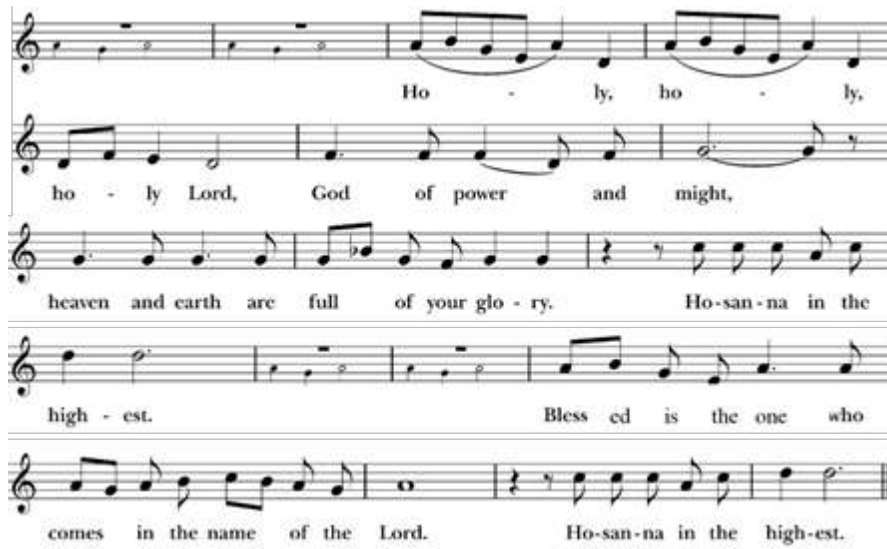
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish 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 S. 128

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Mathias



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 Caribbean Communion Hymn



We come now to your ta - ble, Lord, you are the Liv - ing Bread. We come now to your
ta - ble, Lord, let ev - 'ry soul be fed. You are the Liv - ing Bread; let
ev - 'ry soul be fed; and now may ev' - ry soul be fed with Liv - ing Bread.

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

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
 5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pen - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90. Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

Prayer after Communion *Celebrant and People*

O God, you made us in your image and redeemed us through Jesus your son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggles and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that in your good time all nations, races, and creeds may serve you in harmony. Amen.

The Blessing

May God bless us with anger
 at injustice and oppression,
 so that we may work
 for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless us with tears to shed
 for those who suffer from pain and rejection,
 so that we may reach out to comfort them
 and ease their pain.

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. **Amen.**



1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,
 2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,
 3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!
 who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!
 thine al - a - bas - ter ci - ties gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,

and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.
 con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.
 and crown thy good with bro - ther - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

Words: Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929), alt. Music: *Materna*, Samuel Augustus Ward (1848-1903).

Dismissal

Response: ***Thanks be to God!***

Postlude

National Hymn

Thewes

Happy Anniversary

Marilyn Morgan & Lee Morris July 7 Andrea & Anil Weerakoon July 9
Lori Westphal & Max Changus July 11

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Sheila Woodard; Eileen Zimmer Priscilla Davis; Cathy Leake; Donna Thomas; Penny France; and Suzie Combete.

Family: Ranee G.; Betsy, Kate, Geoff & Alex, family of Brenda Patten and Andrea & Anil Weerakoon; **Kevin Bowling,** son of Charis; **Cody Young,** nephew, Deborah & Bill Reece; **Carra & Vincent Lafitte, Larry & Sharon Mobley, Jack & Linda Mobley** family of Daria and Bruce Lafitte; **Ava Marie Buchholz,** grandniece, **Mary Morris,** sister-in-law of Lee Morris;; **Charlie Bunn,** cousin of Tiffany Wilson; **Harry Kastanakis III,** brother of Reneé; **Debra Powers,** sister of Lucy Kaltenbach; **Pamela V. Bowers,** sister of Suzanne Van de Mark; **Aggie Whyte, Priscilla Williams,** sisters of Bessie Holland; **Matthew Michaelides,** son of Margaret Michaelides; **Antoinette Watts,** sister of Marshall Kress; **Oakley Family,** cousins of Priscilla Davis; **Mary Jane Hobbs,** sister of Sara Thomas; **Deni Omundson, Sydney Cortez & Family,** relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; **Roswitha & Klaus Moos,** grandparents of Katharina McCawley; **Karen,** sister of Steve Hauser; **Joyce Emmons,** cousin, Elizabeth Wong Mark; **Dan Westphal,** father of Lori; **Diana Jacinto,** daughter in-law, and **Aaron Atkinson,** family of Bob Longino; **Jessica LeClaire,** sister of Sara Thornton; **Clare Richardson,** sister-in-law of Penny France; **Tiffany Lucas,** niece, **Linda Johnson,** sister of Vivian Siggers; **Deborah Ellis-Williams,** mother of Jackie O'Connell; **Jeannette Davis,** sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; **Barbara Martello,** niece of Mimi Gold.

Friends: Dann Brown (Tricia Templeton); **Patricia Woods; Anne Cronin; Walter Buchanan** (Rhea Hannah); **Carolyn Timmons** (Sandra & Joe Dobbs); **Sara Corredor** (Tiffany Wilson); **Dobrik Family; Lynell Walker, Pat Park and Rik Rasmussen** (Anil & Andrea Patten-Weerakoon); **Carol Fitzgerald, Sam Roberson** (Lee Morris); **Gay McNeely, John Ware** (Suzanne Van de Mark); **Lauren Courtney Robinson** (Lindsey Reece); **Neil, Emma, Addison Bonser** (Brown family); **Barry Mazor** (Bob Wolfson); **Kishell Muir** (Barbara Hawker); **Loretta Roberts, Benjamin Banas** (Cathy Leake); **Swan Family** (Kate Gaul); **Bill Cobb, Sandy Jusak, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard** (Jeanne and Josh Taylor); **Carol Davis** (Sandra Dobbs); **Carolyn Neely Holmes** (Vivian Siggers); **Steve Murray** (Bob Longino); **Madison Fucita & Family; Rose Faison, Mary Jane Graff, Anne Henry, Tim Embry** (Priscilla Davis); **Jennifer Pern, Sherrel Howard** (Mimi Gold).

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Ministry Schedule

	July 6th	July 13th
Vestry on Duty	Marshall Kress	Alex Pierre
Lay Reader: 10:00	Claudia Gimson	Alex Pierre
Lector 1 st Lesson	Rhea Hannah	Elizabeth Wong Mark
Lector 2 nd Lesson	Andrea Patten Weerakoon	John Morgan
Ushers / Greeters	Wayne Hood	Elizabeth Wong Mark
Altar Guild	Elizabeth / Marshall	Nancy / Ralph
Flower Guild	Claudia Gimson	Claudia Gimson

Announcements

Our new pictorial directory is in progress! Our photographer, Tom Wilson will have his camera set up before church from 9-9:45 am and after church until noon on **July 13th**.

If you can't make it to this last sessions, you may submit your own photo to Tom at tom@tomwilsonphotography.net.

Even if you've been a long-time member and currently in the directory, we ask for you to fill out a form with your current contact information you want listed in the directory, as well as birthday and anniversary information that will only be used for recognizing you on your special dates. We hope to have the new directory ready to hand out in the fall.

Vestry 2025 - 2026

Susie Throop, Sr. Warden; Andrea Patten-Weerakoon, Jr. Warden;
Suzanne Johnson; Ralph Paulk; Sarah Hancock;
Marshall Kress; Jessica Peoples; Alexander Pierre; Tom Wilson

The Reverend Patricia Templeton, Rector

The Reverend Maggie Harney, Priest Associate
The Reverend Colin Brown, Priest Associate
Jule Bunn, Church Organist
Claudia Gimson, Parish Administrator
Rhea Hannah, Volunteer Administrative Assistant



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