

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025

The Holy Eucharist

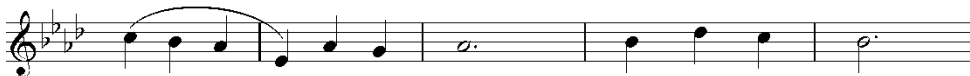
Streaming on FaceBook Live at 10:45

Prelude

"Priere"

J Langlais

1	Earth and all stars,	loud rush - ing	plan - ets,	sing to the
2	Hail, wind, and rain,	loud blow - ing	snow - storms,	sing to the
3	Trum - pet and pipes,	loud clash - ing	cym - bals,	sing to the
4	En - gines and steel,	loud pound - ing	ham - mers,	sing to the
5	Class - rooms and labs,	loud boil - ing	test - tubes,	sing to the
6	Know - ledge and truth,	loud sound - ing	wis - dom,	sing to the



1	Lord	a new song!	O vic - to - ry,
2	Lord	a new song!	Flow - ers and trees,
3	Lord	a new song!	Harp, lute, and lyre,
4	Lord	a new song!	Lime - stone and beams,
5	Lord	a new song!	Ath - letes and band,
6	Lord	a new song!	Daugh - ter and son,



1	loud shout - ing	ar - my,	sing to the	Lord	a new song!
2	loud rus - tling	dry leaves,	sing to the	Lord	a new song!
3	loud hum - ming	cel - los,	sing to the	Lord	a new song!
4	loud build - ing	work - ers,	sing to the	Lord	a new song!
5	loud cheer - ing	peo - ple,	sing to the	Lord	a new song!
6	loud pray - ing	mem - bers,	sing to the	Lord	a new song!



He hath done mar - vel - ous things.



I, too, will praise him with a new song!

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

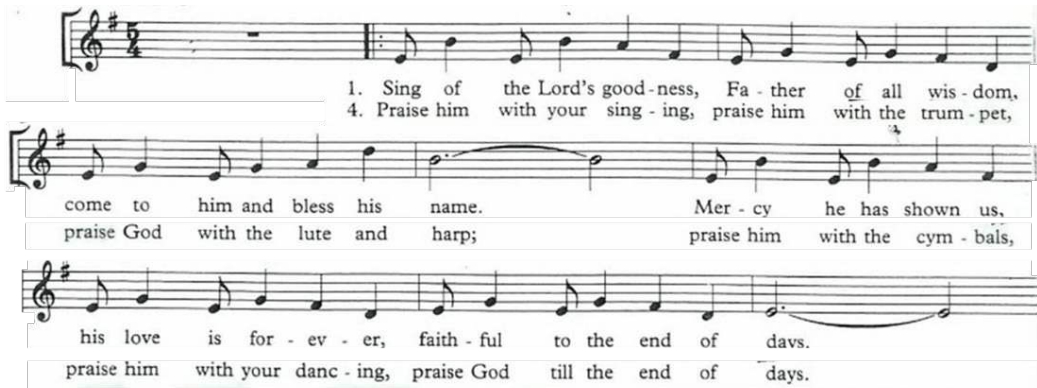
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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.***



1. Sing of the Lord's good-ness, Fa-ther of all wis-dom,
4. Praise him with your sing-ing, praise him with the trum-pet,
come to him and bless his name. Mer-cy he has shown us,
praise God with the lute and harp; praise him with the cym-bals,
his love is for-ev-er, faith-ful to the end of days.
praise him with your danc-ing, praise God till the end of days.

Refrain


Come then, all you na-tions, sing of your Lord's good-ness, me-lo-dies of praise and
thanks to God. Ring out the Lord's glo-ry, praise him with your mu-sic,
wor-ship him and bless his name.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Together let us pray.

The Collect *said by all*

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson**Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare

to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm *Domine, probasti*

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17



LORD, you have searched me out / and known / me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you dis-/cern my / thoughts from a-/far.

You trace my journeys and my / resting-/ places *
and are a-/cquainted with / all my / ways.

Indeed, there is not a word / on my / lips, *
but you, O LORD / know it / alto-/gether.

You press upon me behind / and be-/fore *
and / lay your / hand u-/pon me.

Such knowledge is too wonder-/ful for me; *
it is so high that / I can-/not at-/tain to it.

For you yourself created my / inmost / parts; *
you knit me to-/gether in / my mother's / womb.

I will thank you because I am marve-/lously / made; *
your works are wonderful, / and I / know it well.

My body was not hid-/den from / you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in / the depths / of the / earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;

all of them were written / in your / book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet / there was / none of / them.

How deep I find your thoughts, / O / God! *
how great / is the / sum of / them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number / than the / sand; *
to count them all, my life span would / need to / be like / yours.

The Second Lesson

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

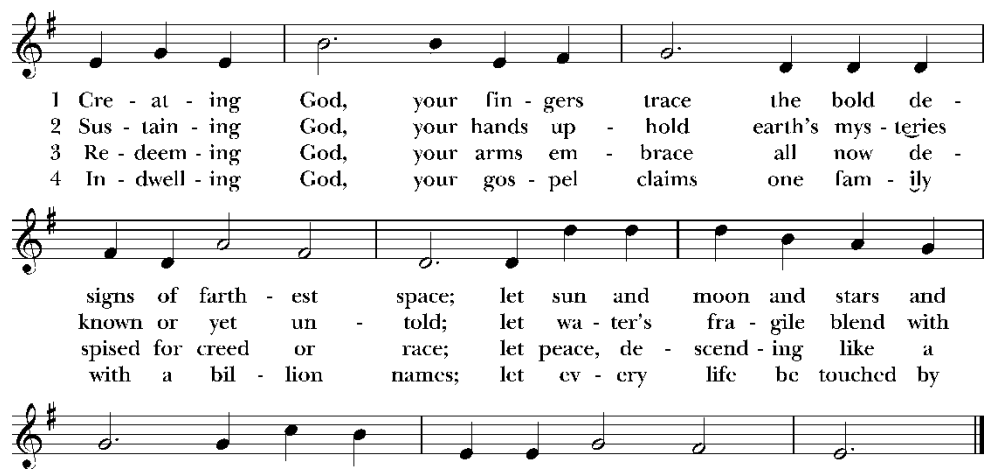
When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



1 Cre - at - ing God, your fin - gers trace the bold de -
2 Sus - tain - ing God, your hands up - hold earth's mys - teries
3 Re - deem - ing God, your arms em - brace all now de -
4 In - dwell - ing God, your gos - pel claims one fam - ily

signs of farth - est space; let sun and moon and stars and
known or yet un - told; let wa - ter's fra - gile blend with
spised for creed or race; let peace, de - scend - ing like a
with a bil - lion names; let ev - ery life be touched by

light and what lies hid - den praise your might.
air, en - a - bling life, pro - claim your care.
dove, make known on earth your heal - ing love.
grace un - til we praise you face to face.

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The Gospel

Priest

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Priest

The Gospel 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.

The Prayers of the People

O God, for your peace, for your loving-kindness to us, and to all your creation, we thank and praise you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For an end to war and a truer understanding among the peoples of the earth, we pray to you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Inspire, O God, all your faithful people to see your presence in each other and in all people, and to put an end to all quarrels and discords in your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Guide all those who are responsible for the government of this and other nations, that they may seek your justice and peace for all people.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Strengthen and support with your Holy Spirit, we pray, all those who seek to build bridges between people and those who look for ways to mend the fabric of society.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who suffer oppression, that you will protect, comfort, and sustain them with your abundant love, and that the hearts and minds of their oppressors may be opened to repentance and change.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Comfort those who grieve; shield the courageous; encourage the timid; show those who wander in the wilderness the path to clarity of mind.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We ask your blessing and grace upon this parish, that we may better serve your Church and this city, spread your Gospel, and nurture the healthy growth of this worshipping community.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for those on our prayer list, including our parishioners, **Keith Latimore; Marshall Kress; Bill Deneke; Bob Longino; Sheila Woodard; Priscilla Davis; Cathy Leake; and Donna Thomas.**

We pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially our former interim rector, **The Reverend Camille Hegg, and Antoinette Watts**, sister of Marshall Kress.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life and our parish community, especially **Nancy Knight & Keith Latimore; Cathy & Charlie Leake; The Leyden Family – Jessie & Tim, Max & Roy; and John & Cindy Lloyd.**

The Celebrant continues

O Lord, awaken the consciousness of all peoples and their leaders; raise up men and women full of love and generosity who can speak and act for peace, and show us new ways in which hatred can be left behind, wounds can be healed, and unity restored. 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

Organ Offertory

Little Prelude in "F"

J S Bach

Offertory Hymn 400

All creatures of our God

Lasst uns erfreuen

vs, 1, 4-5, 7



- 1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 *6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



- 1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O — sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



- 1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer C

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.***

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus S.128

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Mathias

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Sarah, and Hagar; Isaac and Rebecca; Jacob, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

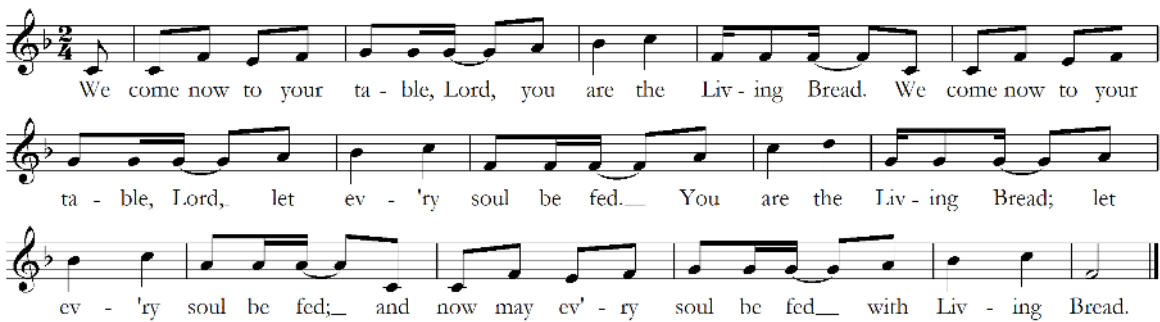
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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 Celebrant continues

The Gifts of God for the People of God. *(All are welcome to receive Communion.)*

Prayer after Communion *Celebrant and People*

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world, and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ, born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world like a mother over her children, be among you and be with you this day and always.

Recessional Hymn 344

Lord dismiss us with thy blessing

Sicilian

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of staves. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with some words appearing on multiple lines to align with the musical phrasing. The score includes a variety of note values, including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests. The final system ends with a double bar line.

1 Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and a - dor - a - tion for thy Gos - pel's
3 so that when thy love shall call us, Sa - vior, from the

joy and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound: may the fruits of thy sal - va - tion
world a - way, fear of death shall not ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace: O re - fresh us,
in our hearts and lives a - bound: ev - er faith-ful,
glad thy sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith-ful to thy truth may we be found;
may we ev - er reign with thee in end - less day.

Response

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Little Fugue in "F"

J S Bach

Ministry Schedule

	September 7th	September 14th
Vestry on Duty	Ralph Paulk	Andrea Patten Weerakoon
Lay Reader: 8:30	Bob Longino	Harriett Smith
Lay Reader: 10:45	Eddie Belgard	Bill Reece
Lector 1 st Lesson	John Gimson	John Morgan
Lector 2 nd Lesson	Tom Barnett	Karen Dessables
Ushers / Greeters	Ralph Paulk	Gwen McAlpine / Paul Zimmer
Altar Guild	Claudia / Elizabeth / Nancy	Claudia / /
Flower Guild	Lucinda Kaltenbach	Claudia Gimson

Happy Birthday

Dolores Way September 13

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Keith Latimore; Marshall Kress; Bill Deneke; Vivian Siggers; Bob Longino; Sheila Woodard; Priscilla Davis; Cathy Leake; and Donna Thomas.

Family: Joetta, Joyce Emmons, cousin of Elizabeth Wong Mark; **Pamela V. Bowers**, sister of Suzanne Van de Mark; **Chris Ekmark**, cousin of Heather Robertson; **Ranee G.; Betsy, Kate, Geoff & Alex**, family of Brenda Patten and Andrea & Anil Weerakoon; **Cody Young**, nephew, Deborah & Bill Reece; **Carra & Vincent Lafitte, Larry & Sharon Mobley, Jack & Linda Mobley** family of Daria and Bruce Lafitte; **Mary Morris**, sister-in-law of Lee Morris; **Charlie Bunn**, cousin of Tiffany Wilson; **Harry Kastanakis III**, brother of Reneé; **Aggie Whyte, Priscilla Williams**, sisters of Bessie Holland; **Matthew Michaelides**, son of Margaret Michaelides; **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; **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: Miriam & Santana Herrera; Cary Ralls & Mark Sillay; Kelsey Clark; Patricia Woods; Anne Cronin; Walter Buchanan (Rhea Hannah); **Marilyn Reynolds** (Bessie Holland); **Tony Rizzuto** (Daria Jones); **Dann Brown** (Tricia Templeton); **Carol Davis, 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); **Bill Cobb, Sandy Jusak,**

Announcements

We've returned to our "Regular Schedule" with services at 8:30 and 10:45. Our new year of Sunday School at 9:30 in the Founders' Room will kick off with a series on hope. We'll talk about what hope and what it is not, where we can find it, and how we have felt it in our own lives.

Join us today after the 10:45 service to Break Bread Together and celebrate our return with an old-fashioned Fried Chicken lunch.

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

Paul Campbell, Music Director

Claudia Gimson, Parish Administrator

Rhea Hannah, Volunteer Administrative Assistant



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