

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 2025


The Holy Eucharist

Streaming on FaceBook Live at 10:00


Prelude

All My Hope on God is Founded


Burkhardt




1 All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my
 2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
 3 God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom
 * 4 Dai - ly doth the al - might - y Giv - er boun - teous gifts on
 5 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



1 trust re - new, me through change and chance he
 2 tray our trust; though with care and toil we
 3 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at -
 4 us be - stow; his de - sire our soul de -
 5 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es



1 guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -
 2 build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's
 3 tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - er -
 4 light - eth, plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth
 5 prais - ing for the gift of Christ, his son. Christ doth



1 known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.
 2 power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.
 3 more from his store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.
 4 stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.
 5 call one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

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.

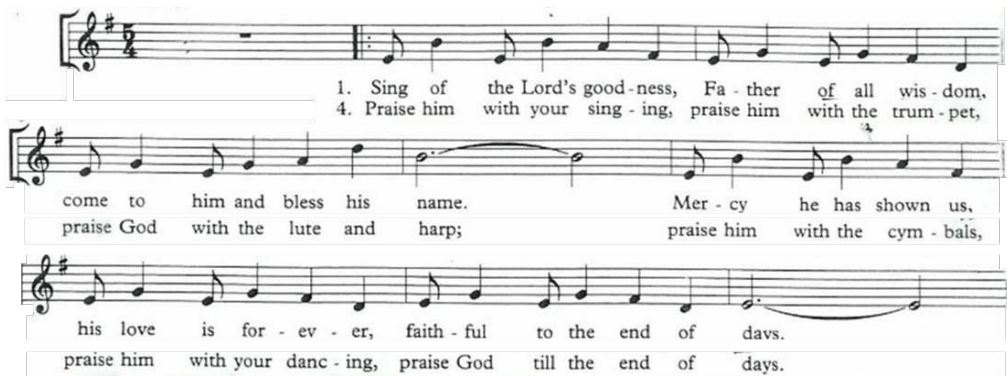
Collect for Purity *said by the Celebrant*

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

Sing of the Lord's Goodness

Ernest Sands



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*

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

Joel 2:23-32

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great

army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

Psalm *Quam dilecta!* *Spoken together*

Psalm 84: 1-6

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my Sovereign and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will appear in Zion.

The Second Lesson

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 555

Lead on O king eternal

Lancashire

1 Lead on, O King c - ter - nal, the day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King c - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears;

hence - forth in fields of con - quest thy tents shall be our home;
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad - ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er thy face ap - pears.

through days of prep - a - ra - tion thy grace has made us strong,
for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums,
Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light:

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
but deeds of love and mer - cy, the heaven - ly king - dom comes.
the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Words: Ernest Warburton Shurtleff (1862-1917). Music: Lancashire, Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879).

The Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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, **Reneé Kastanakis; Katharina McCawley; Keith Latimore; Bob Longino; Priscilla Davis; Donna Thomas; and Cathy Leake.**

We pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially **Harry Kastanakis III**, brother of Reneé.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life and our parish community, especially **Sara Thomas; Sara Thornton & Deegan Puchkors; Susie & Jon Throop; and Suzanne Van de Mark.**

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

Offertory Anthem

As Panting Deer

D. White

1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,
 3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,

O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;
 and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip - ture's page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sca,
 O teach thy wan - dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt. Music: *Munich*, melody from *Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch*, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1807-1847).

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

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 2/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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.

Communion Hymn 313

Let thy blood in mercy poured

Jesus, meine Zuversicht

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious
2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou
3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound
4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,
cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give
and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now
tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

Refrain
of thy bound-less love the to - ken.
Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -
claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing,
of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925). Music: *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*, melody Johann Cruger (1598-1662); harm. after *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863.

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.

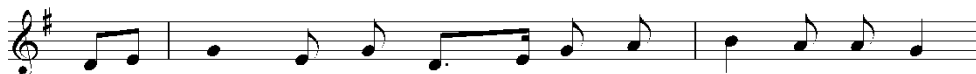
Recessional Hymn 636

How firm a foundation

Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
4 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

Optional Interlude



Dismissal

Response: *Thanks be to God!*

Postlude

How Firm a Foundation

Dale Wood

Ministry Schedule

	October 26th	November 2nd – All Saint’s Sunday
Vestry on Duty	Jessica Peoples	Sarah Hancock
Lay Reader: 8:30	One Service at 10 am	Harriett Smith
Lay Reader: 10:45	Lynn Hood	Claudia Gimson
Lector 1st Lesson	Bruce Lafitte	Jessie Leyden
Lector 2nd Lesson	Alex Pierre	John Morgan
Ushers / Greeters	Rhea Hannah	Alex Pierre
Altar Guild	Claudia / Marshall	Marshall / Claudia / Ralph
Flower Guild	Cathleen Hackett	Nancy Dillon

Announcements

It's time to Fall Back ~
 Next Sunday, November 2nd!
 It is also All Saints' Sunday.



Beep! Beep! An important next step toward independence for our refugee family is owning a car. They are currently spending over \$2500 a month on Ubers because there is not public transport for their jobs or medical care. We are looking for a good used car to be donated or sold to the church at a below-market price (with a tax benefit to the donor). If you don't have a car to donate, please ask you friends and neighbors if they can help this remarkable family.

Contact Steve Hauser (404-370-2375) or Suzanne Johnson (804-201-1679) if you have a lead on a car.

Happy Anniversary

Suzanne & Ralph Paulk October 26

Happy Birthday

Cathleen Hackett October 27 **Keith Latimore** October 27

Reese O'Connell October 29 **Gloria Nelson** October 30

Eddie Belgard October 31 **Greg Blount** October 31 **Mike Camara** October 31

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Reneé Kastanakis; Katharina McCawley; Keith Latimore; Bob Longino; Priscilla Davis; Donna Thomas; and Cathy Leake.

Family: Roswitha Moos, grandmother of Katharina McCawley; **Carson Morris**, daughter; **Mary Morris**, sister-in-law of Lee Morris; **Linda Johnson**, sister, **Tiffany Lucas**, niece, of Vivian Siggers; **Matthew Michaelides**, son of Margaret Michaelides; **Michele Goswick**, niece of Sandra & Joe Dobbs; **Laura Shain**; niece; **Elizabeth Rhodes**, cousin of Marshall Kress; **Adam Swartz**, brother-in-law of Gwen McAlpine; **Joyce Emmons**, cousin of Elizabeth Wong Mark; **Pamela V. Bowers**, sister of Suzanne Van de Mark; **Chris Ekmark**, cousin of Heather Robertson; **Cody Young**, nephew, Deborah & Bill Reece; **Carra & Vincent Lafitte**, **Larry & Sharon Mobley**, **Jack & Linda Mobley** family of Daria and Bruce Lafitte; **Charlie Bunn**, cousin of Tiffany Wilson; **Aggie Whyte**, **Priscilla Williams**, sisters of Bessie Holland; **Oakley Family**, cousins of Priscilla Davis; **Mary Jane Hobbs**, sister of Sara Thomas; **Deni Omundson**, **Sydney Cortez & Family**, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; **Karen**, sister of Steve Hauser; **Jessica LeClaire**, sister of Sara Thornton; **Clare Richardson**, sister-in-law of Penny France; **Deborah Ellis-Williams**, mother of Jackie O'Connell; **Jeannette Davis**, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; **Barbara Martello**, niece of Mimi Gold.

Friends: Joe James; 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, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard** (Jeanne & Josh Taylor); **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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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
Claudia Gimson, Parish Administrator
Rhea Hannah, Volunteer Administrative Assistant



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