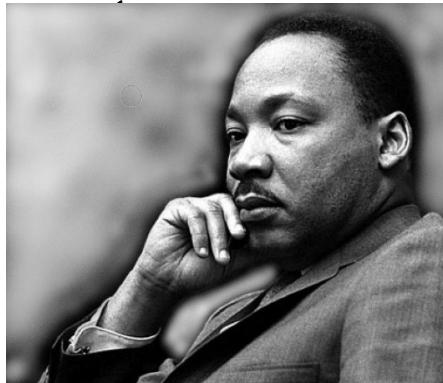


# St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



HONORING THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

## The Holy Eucharist

STREAMING ON FACEBOOK LIVE AT 10:45 A.M.

### Prelude

Meditation on "We Shall Overcome"

African-American Spiritual  
arr. Brian Parks

### Processional Hymn 542

Christ is the world's true Light  
*On following page*

*St. Joan*

## 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 Christ is the world's true Light, its Captain of salvation,  
 2 In Christ all races meet, their ancient feuds forgetting,  
 3 One Lord, in one great Name unite us all who own thee;

the Day-star clear and bright of every race and nation;  
 the whole round world complete, from sun-rise to its sunset;  
 cast out our pride and shame that hinder to enthron thee;

new life, new hope awakes, for all who own his sway:  
 when Christ is throned as Lord all shall forsake their fear,  
 the world has waited long, has tra-vailed long in pain;

freedom her bondage breaks, and night is turned to day.  
 to plough-share beat the sword, to pruning-hook the spear.  
 to heal its ancient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo- ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Together, let us pray.

**The Collect** *said by all*

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**The First Lesson**

**Exodus 3:7-12**

The Lord said to Moses, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.” But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.”

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm**

**Psalm 77:11-20**

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I will remember the works of the LORD, \*  
and call to mind your wonders of old / time.

I will meditate on all your acts  
and ponder your mighty / deeds.

Your way, O God, is holy; \*  
who is so great a god as / our God?

You are the God who works wonders \*  
and have declared your power among the / peoples.

By your strength you have redeemed your people, \*  
the children of Jacob and / Joseph.

The waters saw you, O God;  
the waters saw you and trembled; \*  
the very depths were / shaken.

The clouds poured out water;  
the skies thundered; \*  
your arrows flashed to and / fro;

The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;  
your lightnings lit up the world; \*  
the earth trembled and / shook.

Your way was in the sea,  
and your paths in the great waters, \*  
yet your footsteps were not / seen.

You led your people like a flock \*  
by the hand of Moses and / Aaron.

## **The Second Lesson:**

### **A reading from the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's Letter from a Birmingham Jail:**

I must make two honest confessions to you, my Christian and Jewish brothers. First, I must confess that over the past few years I have been gravely disappointed with the white moderate. I have almost reached the regrettable conclusion that the Negro's great stumbling block in his stride toward freedom is not the White Citizen's Counciler or the Ku Klux Klanner, but the white moderate, who is more devoted to "order" than to justice; who prefers a negative peace which is the absence of tension to a positive peace which is the presence of justice; who constantly says: "I agree with you in the goal you seek, but I cannot agree with your methods of direct action"; who paternalistically believes he can set the timetable for another man's freedom; who lives by a mythical concept of time and who constantly advises the Negro to wait for a "more convenient season." Shallow understanding from people of good will is more frustrating than absolute misunderstanding from people of ill will. Lukewarm acceptance is much more bewildering than outright rejection.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 232**

By all your saints still striving

Nyland

verse 2: For Martin, Lord, we praise you: His dream lives on if we,  
 will work to bring all people a just society;  
 that none will know oppression, that each one will be free,  
 that people of all races will live in unity. (Steven Schneider)

1 By all your saints still striving, for all your saints at rest,  
 2 (Insert the stanza appropriate to the day)  
 3 Then let us praise the Fa - ther and wor-ship God the Son

your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus, for ev - er - more be blessed.  
 and sing to God the Spi - rit, e - ter-nal Three in One,

You rose, our King vic - tor - ious, that they might wear the crown  
 till all the ran - somed num - ber who stand be - fore the throne

and ev - er shine in splen-dor re - flect-ed from your throne.  
 a - scribe all power and glo - ry and praise to God a - lone.

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**The Gospel****Luke 6:27-36**

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

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

“But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do

that. And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

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.

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,  
showing us how to bring about God's kingdom here and now,  
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,  
where we will not be strangers or guests  
but lambs gathered safely home in the arms of the Good Shepherd.      AMEN

### **The Prayers of the People**

Gracious God, we thank you for the love that sustains us from day to day. Enable us to show our thankfulness by lives that are wholly given to your service.

Lord, in your mercy.

***Hear our prayer.***

Help us to look with compassion upon those who live with injustice, terror, hunger, disease, and death as their constant companions.

Lord, in your mercy.

***Hear our prayer.***

As your son came to earth not to be served, but to serve, stir in us the desire to serve, to open hearts and hands to the stranger, the lonely, the broken in mind and spirit, and those who come to these shores from foreign lands.

Lord, in your mercy.

***Hear our prayer.***

Help us make our nation a reflection of your kingdom, a place of justice and peace, where all are welcomed and cared for, and where there are no outcasts.

Lord, in your mercy.

***Hear our prayer.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, remembering especially those on our prayer list including **Priscilla Davis; Brenda Patten; Penny France; Donna Thomas; and Cathy Leake.**

Lord, in your mercy.

***Hear our prayer.***

We pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially **Keith Porter and Renee Nicole Good.**

Lord, in your mercy.

***Hear our prayer.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life and our parish community, especially **Julia & John Koenig; Marhsall Kress; Nancy Night & Keith Latimore and Cathy & Charlie Leake.**

*Celebrant*

O God, the creator of all, whose son commanded us to love our enemies: Lead them and us from prejudice to truth; deliver them and us from hatred, cruelty, and revenge; and in your good time enable us to stand reconciled before you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,  
    opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,  
    in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,  
    and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
    that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. *Amen.*

## Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

## Announcements

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory Anthem

Great Day

Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

Johnetta Tillman, soloist

## Offertory Hymn 648

When Israel was in Egypt's land

*Go Down, Moses*

1 When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land, let my peo-ple go;  
2 The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo-ple go;  
3 They jour - neyed on at his com - mand, let my peo-ple go;  
4 Oh, let us all from bond - age flee, let my peo-ple go;

op - pressed so hard they could not stand, let my peo-ple go.  
to lead the chil - dren of Is - rael through, let my peo-ple go.  
and came at length to Ca - naan's land, let my peo-ple go.  
and let us all in Christ be free, let my peo-ple go.

*Refrain*

Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;  
tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo-ple go.

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## The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

*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.***

### *Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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

***Sanctus*** S.129

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Robert Powell

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and  
might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Ho -  
sanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Dunstan and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for 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 for ever. Amen.

### **Fraction Anthem**

**The Breaking of the Bread:** 490 I want to walk as a child of the light

*Houston*

Verse 3

I'm looking for the coming of Christ.	In him there is no darkness at all.
I want to be with Jesus.	The night and the day are both alike.
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.	The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

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

**Communion Anthem**

O Happy Day  
Johnetta Tillman, soloist

Hawkins

arr. Emerson

## **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 struggle 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 discomfort  
at easy answers, half truths, and superficial  
relationships, so that we may live deep  
within our hearts.

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.

And 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.**

## **Recessional Hymn** 599

Lift every voice and sing  
*On following page*

*Lift Every Voice*

## **The Dismissal**

*Response*

***Thanks be to God.***

## **Postlude**

Chaconne in f minor, T. 206

*Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)*

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We welcome Johnetta Tillman as our guest musician today.

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## Recessional Hymn 599

## Lift every voice and sing

## Lift Every Voice

Introduction

1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing till earth and hea - ven ring, ring with the  
 2 Stony the road we trod, bit - ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, thou who hast

har - mon - ies of lib - er - ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise  
 days when hope un - born had died; yet, with a stead - y beat,  
 brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might

high as the lis - tening skies; let it re - sound loud as the  
 have not our wea - ry feet come to the place for which our  
 led us in - to the light; keep us for ev - er in the

roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has  
 par - ents sighed? We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been  
 path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we

taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has  
 wa - tered; we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the  
 met thec; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for

brought us; fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new  
 slaugh - tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we  
 get thee; sha-dowed be - neath thy hand may we for

day be - gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.  
 stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 ev - er stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

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# Happy Birthday

Edward Robertson January 18    Diego Orozco January 21    Mary Jane Hannah January 23

## Prayer Requests

**Parishioners:** Priscilla Davis; Brenda Patten; Penny France; Donna Thomas; and Cathy Leake.

**Family:** **Pamela V. Bowers**, sister of Suzanne Van de Mark; **Bryan Wilson**, brother of Mary Jane Hannah; **Terra Garrett**, cousin of Cathleen Hackett; **Jane Schneiderwind**, sister of Mimi Gold; **Cody Young**, cousin of the Reece Family; **Tim Leyden**, father / father-in law of Tim & Jessie Leyden; **Kathy Benedict**, family of Andrea, Anil and Brenda; **Roswitha Moos**, grandmother of Katharina McCawley; **Tiffiny Lucas**, niece, of Vivian Siggers; **Joyce Emmons**, cousin of Elizabeth Wong Mark; **Chris Ekmark**, cousin of Heather Robertson; **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; **Barbara Martello**, niece of Mimi Gold.

**Friends:** **Able Mable Thomas**, **Bill Goodhew** (Lee Morris); **Bob Adams** (Mary Jane Hannah); **Miriam & Santana Herrera**; **Cary Ralls & Mark Sillay**; **Patricia Woods**; **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); **Rik Rasmussen** (Anil & Andrea Patten-Weerakoon); **Gay McNeely**, **John Ware** (Suzanne Van de Mark); **Lauren Courtney Robinson** (Lindsey Reece); **Neil, Emma, Addison Bonser** (Brown family); **Barry Mazor** (Bob Wolfson); **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); **Jennifer Pern**, **Sherrel Howard** (Mimi Gold); **Madison Fucita & Family**; **Rose Faison**, **Mary Jane Graff**, **Anne Henry**, **Tim Embry** (Priscilla Davis).

We give thanks for our parish especially **Julia & John Koenig**; **Marhsall Kress**; **Nancy Knight & Keith Latimore** and **Cathy & Charlie Leake**.

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially **Keith Porter** and **Renee Nicole Good**.

# Ministry Schedule

	January 18th	January 25th
Vestry on Duty	Marshall Kress	Susie Throop
Lay Reader 8:30	Peg Maloney	Harriett Smith
Lay Reader: 10:45	Susie Throop	Hanna Woodburn
Lector 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Shirley Morgan	John Morgan
Lector 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	Andrea Patten-Weerakoon	Elizabeth Wong Mark
Ushers / Greeters	Gwen McAlpine & Paul Zimmer	Alex Pierre
Altar Guild	Claudia / Fina / Mary Jane	Claudia / Fina / Mary Jane
Flower Guild	Cathleen Hackett	

## 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  
 Brian Parks, Parish Musician  
 Claudia Gimson, Parish Administrator  
 Rhea Hannah, Volunteer Administrative Assistant



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