

# St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



The Third Sunday after Epiphany  
January 25, 2026

The Holy Eucharist

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

Prelude

Concerto in Bb: ii. Allegro

George Frideric Handel  
(1685-1759)

## 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.***

**The Song of Praise – S280**

*Gloria in excelsis*

Robert Powell (1932 – 2025)

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant*      Together, let us pray.

### The Collect *said by all*

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### The First Lesson

**Isaiah 9:1-4**

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness--on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      ***Thanks be to God.***



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The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear? \*

the Lord is the strength of my life;  
of whom then shall I be afraid?

One thing have I asked of the Lord;  
one thing I seek; \*

that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord \*  
and to seek him in his temple.

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; \*  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling  
and set me high upon a rock.

Even now he lifts up my head \*  
above my enemies round about me.

Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation  
with sounds of great gladness; \*

I will sing and make music to the Lord.

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; \*  
have mercy on me and answer me.

You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." \*  
Your face, Lord, will I seek.

Hide not your face from me, \*  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

You have been my helper;  
cast me not away; \*  
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn** 532      How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise      *Old 104th*

### The Gospel

**Matthew 4:12-23**

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

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

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

*Priest*      The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**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.

Lord, in your mercy.

***Hear our prayer.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life and our parish community, especially **The Leyden Family, Jessie & Tim, Max & Roy; John & Cindy Lloyd; Elyse MacIntyre; and Lynn MacEwen.**

*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.

*People*

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** Arise, Shine, for Thy Light is Come Healey Willian (1880-1968)

**Hymn 304** I come with joy to meet my Lord *Land of Rest*

## 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 Hymn** 324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

*Picardy*

## 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** 550

Jesus calls us o'er the tumult

*Restoration*

## The Dismissal

*Response*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

Toccata

Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)

# Happy Birthday

**Ralph Paulk** January 25   **John Chandler** January 28   **John Koenig** February 2  
**Mark O'Connell** February 3   **Sean Robertson** February 3  
**Dick Harris** February 5   **Daria Jones** February 5

# 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).

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# Ministry Schedule

	January 25th	February 1st
Vestry on Duty	Susie Throop	
Lay Reader 8:30	Harriett Smith	
Lay Reader: 10:45	Hanna Woodburn	
Lector 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	John Morgan	
Lector 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson	Elizabeth Wong Mark	
Ushers / Greeters	Alex Pierre	
Altar Guild	Elizabeth / Ralph	
Flower Guild	Michele Smither	

## 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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