

# St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



**First Sunday in Lent**

Sunday, March 9, 2025

10:15 AM

## Holy Eucharist Rite II

### Prelude

#### Processional Hymn *The Glory of These Forty Days*

Hymnal #143 (vv. 1-4)

- 1 The glory of these forty days  
we celebrate with songs of praise;  
for Christ, through whom  
all things were made,  
himself has fasted and has prayed.
- 2 Alone and fasting Moses saw  
the loving God who gave the law;  
and to Elijah, fasting, came  
the steeds and chariots of flame.
- 3 So Daniel trained his mystic sight,  
delivered from the lions' might;  
and John, the Bridegroom's  
friend, became  
the herald of Messiah's name.
- 4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be  
full oft in fast and prayer with thee;  
our spirits strengthen with thy grace,  
and give us joy to see thy face.

*Clergy:* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People:* **His mercy endures forever.**

*The congregation is invited to kneel for the Penitential Order.*

*Clergy:* Hear the commandments of God to his people:  
I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other Gods but me.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Honor your mother and father.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not steal.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not be a false witness.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*People:* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Clergy:* If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Clergy:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Clergy and People:*

**Most merciful God,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you**

**in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done,**

**and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humble repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will,**

**and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Clergy:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all of 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 congregation is invited to stand for the Kyrie.*

## **Kyrie Holy God**

Hymnal #S-100

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -  
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,  
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy  
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

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*Clergy:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Clergy:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

*Reader:* A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors;

the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

### **Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16**

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, \*  
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the Lord,  
"You are my refuge and my stronghold, \*  
my God in whom I put my trust."

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, \*  
and the Most High your habitation,

10 There shall no evil happen to you, \*  
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, \*  
to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands, \*  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; \*  
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

14 Because he is bound to me in love,  
therefore will I deliver him; \*  
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; \*  
I am with him in trouble;  
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, \*  
and show him my salvation.

## **Romans 10:8b-13**

*Reader:* A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

"The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

## **Sequence Hymn** *In Christ There is no East or West*

Hymnal #529

1 In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no south or north;  
but one great fellowship of love,  
throughout the whole wide earth.

3 In Christ now meet both east and west,  
in him meet south and north;  
all Christly souls are one in him,  
throughout the whole wide earth.

2 Join hands, disciples of the faith,  
whate'er your race may be!  
Who serves my Father as a child,  
is surely kin to me.

## **Luke 4:1-13**

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

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

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over

to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,  
to protect you,' and

'On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon:** Rev. David Lucey

## **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of the People**

Forgiving Father, you watch for us with a loving heart, welcoming us home to you. Give us the grace to see our path clearly and correct our course when we are led astray. Hear and answer our prayers to you as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Send your message of love to the world through us, that we might be examples of your good news to those who know us. Use our hearts and hands to your purpose. Open our mouths to advocate for the poor. Give us ears that hear the cries of the lonely, the forgotten, the imprisoned, and the poor.  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Turn our foolish hearts from hate and division and unite us in a bond of love that will not tolerate persecution, violence, or waste. Give our leaders the desire for true service to your people and a passion for bringing peace to all nations.  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give strength to those who are afraid, to those who are facing diagnoses, disaster, or loss. Comfort them with your spirit of hope and restore those things which have been lost.  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Turn us away from bitterness and hopelessness. Give healing to those who are ill, peace to those of anxious heart or defeated spirit, that they might find wholeness of body, mind, and soul. Especially we pray for Michael, Jack, Karen, Nancy, Elizabeth, Richard, Nese, Mani, Elliot, Brian, Louisa, Maureen, Charlie, Jacob, Rachael, Catherine, Sean, Harry, Roy, and Wayne.  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give comfort to those who grieve and care to those who have died, and grant that we might all know resurrected life in your new age.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father, you rejoice when what is lost becomes found in you; search our hearts and keep them ever focused on the abundant life we find in you, your Son and in the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

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

## **Announcements**

**Offertory Anthem** *Immortal Love, For Ever Full*

Music by: Phillip R. Dietterich

Text by: John Greenleaf Whittier

**Presentation Hymn** *The Glory of These Forty Days*

Hymnal #143 v. 5

5 O Father, Son, and Spirit blest,  
to thee be every prayer addressed,  
who art in threefold Name adored,  
from age to age, the only Lord.

## **Eucharistic Prayer A**

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:*

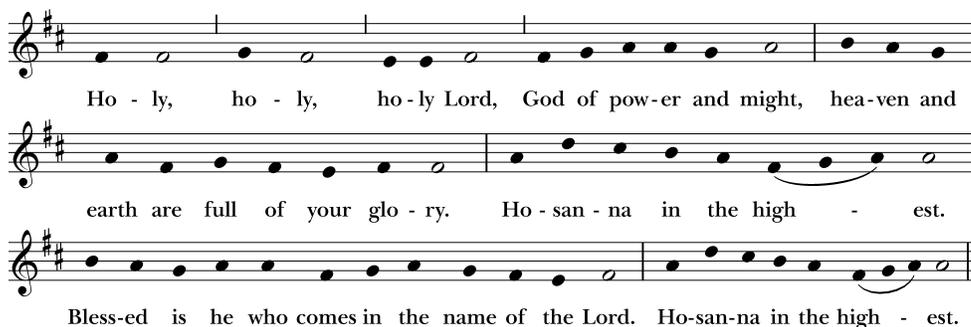
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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** *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

Hymnal S-124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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### *The Celebrant continues:*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People:*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

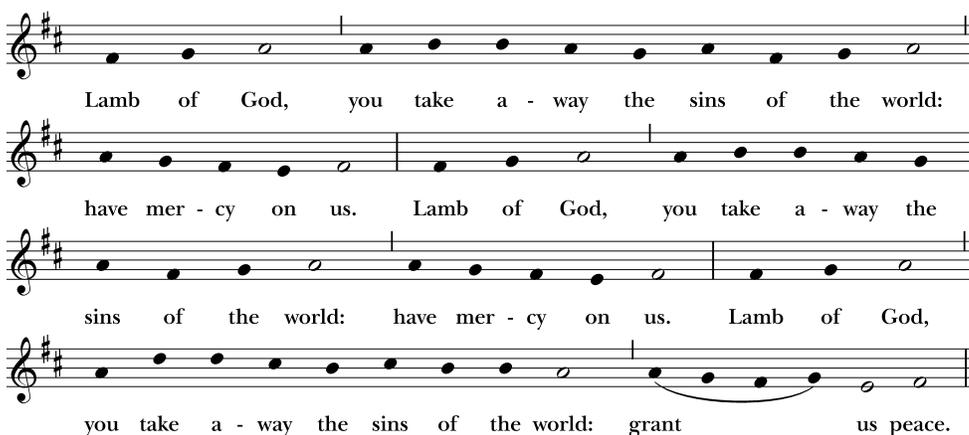
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

### Fraction Anthem: *Lamb of God: Agnus Dei*

Hymnal S-161



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### Communion Hymn: *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High*

Hymnal #448

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
how passing thought and fantasy,  
that God, the Son of God, should take  
our mortal form for mortals' sake.
- 2 For us baptized, for us he bore  
his holy fast and hungered sore;  
for us temptations sharp he knew;  
for us the tempter overthrew.
- 3 For us he prayed; for us he taught;  
for us his daily works he wrought:  
by words and signs and actions, thus  
still seeking not himself, but us.
- 4 For us to wicked men betrayed,  
scourged, mocked, in purple  
robe arrayed,  
he bore the shameful cross and death;  
for us gave up his dying breath.
- 5 For us he rose from death again;  
for us he went on high to reign;  
for us he sent his Spirit here  
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- 6 All glory to our Lord and God  
for love so deep, so high, so broad;  
the Trinity whom we adore  
for ever and for evermore.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*Celebrant & People :*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn: *Eternal Lord of Love***

Hymnal #149

1 Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church,  
walking once more the pilgrim way  
of Lent,  
led by your cloud by day,  
by night your fire,  
moved by your love and t'ward  
your presence bent:  
far off yet here the goal of all desire.

3 If dead in you, so in you we arise,  
you the firstborn of all the faithful dead;  
and as through stony ground the green  
shoots break,  
glorious in springtime dress of leaf and  
flower,  
so in the Father's glory shall we wake.

2 So daily dying to the way of self,  
so daily living to your way of love,  
we walk the road, Lord Jesus, that  
you trod,  
knowing ourselves baptized into  
your death:  
so we are dead and live with you in God.

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**Postlude**

***Our mission is to build and strengthen relationships among God and God's children, through Christ our Lord.***

**PRAYER LIST**

**March 9, 2025**

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa.

In the Diocese of Virginia, we pray for Emmanuel, Delaplane, St. John the Baptist, Ivy, and St. Peter's, Purcellville.

In our Chesterbrook Community, we pray for First Baptist Church.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week especially Julia Williams, & Tony Griffin, and for those celebrating anniversaries this week.

We pray for those who are ill or in special need: Michael, Jack, Karen, Nancy, Elizabeth, Richard, Nese, Mani, Elliott, Brian, Louisa, Maureen, Charlie, Jacob, Rachael, Catherine, Sean, Harry, Roy, and Wayne.

We pray for those who have died.

We pray for: Our Country, our military, Rev. Chris and his family, peace in Ukraine, peace in the Middle East.

Assisting today: Linda Young (Chalicer), Jim Buttz (Lector), Fred & Mary Vogel (Ushers), Helen Vogel, Eileen Place, & Nancy Rider (Altar Guild), Alison Keck (Flower Guild), Alice Curran (Greeter).

# Announcements

## Fellowship Luncheon

Join us for lunch after church today in the Parish Hall. Enjoy a bite to eat and conversation with your St. Dunstan's family.

## Lenten Retreat

On Wednesday, March 19 (9:00am-2:00pm) the Diocese of VA Episcopal Church Women will host a Lenten retreat with Bishop Susan Goff at Grace & Holy Trinity Church in Richmond. The retreat is open to women and men. To attend this event, either in-person or via livestream, register by emailing Catherine Perrin at [catherineperrin@comcast.net](mailto:catherineperrin@comcast.net) with the names of those attending, your church's name, and your email address. The deadline to register is Friday, March 14th. If you will attend via livestream, you will be sent a link prior to the event.

## Children's Chapel

We will hold a short, child focused worship service with communion at 9:00am on Sunday, March 16.

## Guest Minister & Forum

Please join us as we welcome Bishop Ann Ritonia who will be preaching on Sunday, March 30. After church, Bishop Ritonia will hold a brief forum focused on the Episcopal Church's ministry with the military, and federal prisons.

## Outreach Meeting Sun April 6

In preparation for St. Dunstan's Easter Egg Hunt, we are asking congregants to bring in individually wrapped, small candies. At the April 6 Outreach meeting, we will stuff the plastic eggs with the collected confections.

This year, St. Dunstan's will also be collecting supplies to benefit the Falls Church-McLean Children's Center (FCMLCC). Halley Smith, the center's director, will attend the April 6 Outreach meeting to provide an overview and history of FCMLCC. At that time, St. Dunstan's will present the collected supplies to the center. We have been asked to donate stickers, Post-it notes, note paper & envelopes for the center's literacy table.

A basket for the candy and supplies will be at the back of the church. The donations will be accumulated through Sunday, April 6. Thank you for your participation!



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