



# St. Dunstan's

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

RITE II - HOLY EUCHARIST

# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2026

9:00AM

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## THE CLERGY

THE REVEREND DR. ROMAN D. ROLDAN - *Rector*

THE REVEREND STEVE FERGUSON - *Associate Rector*

THE REVEREND NATY MENJIVAR - *Associate Rector*

## WELCOME

We are so glad that you are here! If you are new or visiting, please let an usher know so that we can connect with you! Children are welcome at all of our services. We also offer the following opportunities for children every Sunday:

- Nursery: Open 8:45am-12:45pm for children ages infant - 5 years old and located in the Bentley Education Center (BEC). Enter thru the doors under the porte-cochere
- Children's Chapel: After the Collect, the children may follow the cross to Children's Chapel in the BEC and will return to the worship service during the announcements.
- Prayground: A soft space near the choir loft for little ones to get the wiggles out during service while getting a front row seat to worship. Pews available in the area for parental supervision.

*Please note that this service is being livestreamed and members of the congregation may be captured on camera during communion and other parts of the service.*



*We aspire to live out the Gospel of Christ as a Body of Believers  
Rooted in Faith and Growing in Community*

#### OUR CORE VALUES AND MISSION STRATEGY:

- **CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES:** We seek to nurture the spiritual development of children and youth by encouraging their participation in the life of our congregation and larger community.
- **COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP:** We gather often to build friendships and to share the love of God through interests, hobbies, activities, events, speakers, Bible study and outreach.
- **CHRISTIAN FORMATION:** We share the love and knowledge of Jesus Christ through Biblical teaching and spiritual growth to develop Christian disciples.
- **OUTREACH:** We are passionate about providing Christ-centered ministries beyond the walls of St. Dunstan's by meeting the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of the local and global communities.
- **WORSHIP:** We look forward to celebrating the rich traditions of Episcopal worship while offering a variety of preaching styles, musical expressions, and opportunities to participate.
- **PASTORAL CARE:** We work to meet the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of persons in our parish with well-trained and responsive lay and ordained pastors. Our practice of pastoral care extends beyond times of crisis to encompass our daily lives.

# THE WORD OF GOD

**PRELUDE** *All standing*  
*Beautiful Savior*

*Tim Hughes*

**ENTRANCE SONG** *All standing*  
*Come thou Fount, Come thou King*

*Thomas Miller, Robert Robinson, John Wyeth*

**Verse 1**

Come thou fount of every blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of Thy redeeming love

**Verse 2**

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above

**Chorus (sung twice)**

Come, Thou fount, come Thou King  
Come, Thou precious Prince of Peace  
Hear Your bride - to You we sing  
Come, Thou fount of our blessing

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant continues with the Collect for Purity*

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 Celebrant continues with following*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
 we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;  
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.  
 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
 with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
 Amen.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING *The people sit.*

## ACTS 2:14A, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17 *Said by all,*

1 I love the Lord, because he has heard  
 the voice of my supplication, \*  
 because he has inclined his ear to me  
 whenever I called upon him.  
 2 The cords of death entangled me;  
 the grip of the grave took hold of me; \*  
 I came to grief and sorrow.  
 3 Then I called upon the Name of the Lord: \*  
 "O Lord, I pray you, save my life."  
 10 How shall I repay the Lord \*  
 for all the good things he has done for me?  
 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
 and call upon the Name of the Lord.  
 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
 in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord \*  
 is the death of his servants.  
 14 O Lord, I am your servant; \*  
 I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
 you have freed me from my bonds.  
 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
 and call upon the Name of the Lord.  
 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
 in the presence of all his people,  
 17 In the courts of the Lord's house, \*  
 in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
 Hallelujah!

## SECOND READING

## I PETER 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the

ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

The Word of the Lord.

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

## SEQUENCE SONG *All standing.*

*Great is thy Faithfulness*

*Thomas Obediah Chisholm and William Marion Runyan*

### **Verse 1**

Great is Thy faithfulness, O, God my father  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be

### **Chorus**

Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

### **Verse 2**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessing all mine, with ten thousand beside

### **Chorus 2**

Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness,  
Great is Thy faithfulness,  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Lord, unto me

## THE GOSPEL

LUKE 24:13-35

*The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

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

Now on that same day two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to

believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## TAIZE RESPONSE

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## THE SERMON

*The Rev. Dr. Roman D. Roldan*

## THE NICENE CREED *All standing and saying together,*

**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.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The People respond to all the petitions with*

**Lord, have mercy.**

*The prayers conclude with*

In the communion of Blessed Dunstan, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To you, O Lord Our God.**

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*At this time you may exchange the sign of peace with those around you - wave, bow, give the peace sign, etc. or verbally acknowledge those around you saying "peace be with you" or "good morning".*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

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*The Celebrant says*

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Living Hope*

*Phil Wickham*

#### Verse 1

How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation, I turned to heaven  
And spoke your name into the night  
Then through the darkness  
Your loving kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished, the end is written  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

#### Verse 2

Who could imagine so great a mercy?  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven  
The king of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful savior, I'm yours forever  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

#### Chorus

Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free  
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me  
You have broken every chain  
There's salvation in your name  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

#### Verse 3 (sung twice)

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence, the roaring lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me

Jesus, yours is the victory!

#### Repeat Chorus

#### Tag

Jesus Christ, my living hope  
Oh God, you are my living hope

## THE PRESENTATION OF ALMS AND OBLATIONS

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts.*

*The People stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar*

The Doxology

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**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

All things come of Thee, O Lord,

*People* **and of Thine own have we given Thee.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant says,*

The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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

*The Celebrant proceeds with the proper preface*

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

*which concludes*

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 AND BENEDICTUS *Sung*

*David Horn*

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord! God of power and might.***

***Heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!***

***Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord,***

***Hosanna in the highest!***

*Then 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People sing*

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

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*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 Blessed 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.



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

*People and Celebrant, kneeling*

**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

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*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a period of silence is kept, then is sung*



*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's Table. To receive Holy Communion follow the direction of the ushers towards the altar. Place your hands together (palms upward), receive the host, and carefully dip the host in the chalice before consuming, or drink from the cup. If you wish to only receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. Prayer teams offering prayers for healing and thanksgiving are stationed in the chapel. You may go before or after you receive the Eucharist.*

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

*Above All*

*Paul Baloche and Lenny LeBlanc*

### **Verse 1**

Above all powers, above all things  
Above all nature and all created things  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
You were here before the world began

### **Verse 2**

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones  
Above all wonders the world has ever known  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
There's no way to measure what You're worth

### **Chorus**

Crucified - laid behind the stone  
You lived to die, rejected and alone  
Like a rose, trampled on the ground  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all

### **Repeat All**

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*The People kneel. The Celebrant and People say*

**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.**

## THE BLESSING

*The Priest blesses the people,*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

## SONG OF MISSION

*How Great Thou Art*

*Stuart Wesley Keene Hine*

### Verse 1

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hand has made  
I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

### Chorus

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art

### Verse 2

And when I think that God, His son not sparing  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin

### Repeat Chorus

## THE DISMISSAL

*From the back of the church, the Priest dismisses the people, who respond*

**Thanks be to God.**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning! Community Coffee in the Mace Room! Come Connect with Us!

## COMING UP

### WE “DONUT” KNOW WHAT WE’RE GOING TO WITHOUT HIM! - APRIL 19

Join us for Coffee and Donuts in the Mace Room at 10:15am on April 19<sup>th</sup> to wish Fr. Roman safe travels and a restful sabbatical! We know this time will be incredibly fruitful and we are so excited for him!

### CATECHESIS TRAINING - BEGINS APRIL 25

St. Dunstan’s will be hosting Catechesis Part 1, Level 1 training at St. Dunstan’s beginning on April 25<sup>th</sup>! Training is free to St. Dunstan’s teachers and will consist of 7 sessions. Grab a brochure from the back of the church for more information, and contact Angela Stengl to register!

### STEPHEN MINISTRY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS - BEGINS APRIL 26

Stephen Ministry is hosting a summer book study during the Sunday School Hour on *The Gift of Empathy*, April 26<sup>th</sup> - June 26<sup>th</sup>. Come whenever you can to learn practical insights on empathy that will have a positive impact on your life! Scan the QR Code to register and pay for the book.



### BROTHERHOOD GOLF TOURNAMENT - MAY 12

Sign up to play in the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Brotherhood of St. Andrew Golf Tournament at the Cypresswood Golf Club! Scan the QR Code to register today!



### HOPE CENTER LUNCHEON - MAY 15

Celebrate Hope Center Houston’s 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at St. Ignatius! A Luncheon and Fundraiser will be held 11:00am - 2:00pm to help Hope Center continue their important work. Scan the QR code to purchase tickets!



### PARISH PICNIC - MAY 17

Join us for our annual Parish Picnic 4:00pm - 7:00pm at Swanny’s Grill! 6224 Theall Road, Houston, TX 77066. Food will be served from 4:30pm - 6:00pm. Bounce house, golf (with reservation on Swanny’s website), volleyball, fishing pond, and play area! Free, but please scan the QR code to RSVP so we have a head count!



## YOUTH MINISTRY

### SENIOR SUNDAY - MAY 24

We will be honoring high school & college graduates at all our services on Senior Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. For your graduate to be included in a special print out, please scan the QR Code to fill out the form. **Deadline May 17<sup>th</sup>**.



## SUNDAY FLOWERS

Remember or honor a loved one with our beautiful Sunday altar flowers! Have their name printed in the service leaflet and read during the prayers of the people. Visit [www.saintdunstans.org/give](http://www.saintdunstans.org/give) and fill out the Sunday Flowers Form to donate. Remember to list your dedication and what date you’re requesting in the form!

**Upcoming available dates: April 26, May 3, 10, 17**

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