

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church



**The Feast of the Transfiguration, Observed
Sunday, August 3, 2025
10:15AM**

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Prelude

Processional Hymn *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

Hymnal # 7

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| 1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear. | 3 Visit then this soul of mine!
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!
Fill me, radiancy divine;
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day. |
| 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return,
till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart. | |

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

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.**

Gloria Glory to God

Hymnal S-280



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



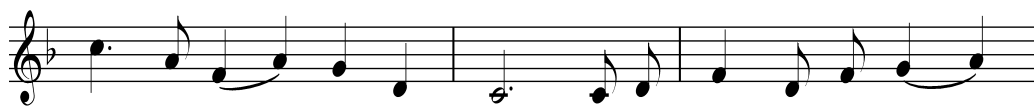
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy



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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: Let us pray.

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Exodus 34:29-35

Reader: A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 99:5-9

5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

2 Peter 1:13-21

Reader: A reading from the Second Letter of Peter.

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So, we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all, you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn *Christ Upon the Mountain Peak*

Hymnal #129

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| 1 Christ upon the mountain peak
stands alone in glory blazing;
let us, if we dare to speak,
with the saints and angels praise
him.
Alleluia! | 3 Swift the cloud of glory came.
God proclaiming in its thunder
Jesus as his Son by name!
Nations cry aloud in wonder!
Alleluia! |
| 2 Trembling at his feet we saw
Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the prophets and the Law
shout through them their joyful
greeting.
Alleluia! | 4 This is God's beloved Son!
Law and prophets fade before him;
first and last and only One,
let creation now adore him!
Alleluia! |

Luke 9:28-36

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

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

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon: The Rev. Chris Miller

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

Let us lift up the intentions and hopes of our deepest selves to God as we offer our prayers, saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of Wisdom, give to your people discerning minds and open hearts that they may inhabit fully the body of Christ and join together to fulfill your will.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of Justice, grant to the leaders of this nation and of all nations a love of peace and a yearning for reconciliation.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of Peace, bring an end to all wars, freedom for the oppressed, food for the hungry, and safety for the endangered.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of Love, open us to perceive the joys and sufferings in our midst that we may celebrate with and share the tears of our neighbors.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God Almighty, give strength to those who fear, stand with those who are alone, bring healing to those who are afflicted, and hope to those who are hopeless. We pray especially for: Michael, Jack, Karen, Nancy, Elizabeth, Richard, Mani, Elliott, Brian, Louisa, Catherine, Sean, Harry, Roy, Wayne, Jim, Theresa, Misty, Helen, Bill, Ann, Frank, Chuck, David, Jolly, Janna, Jessica, Paula, Cathy, Savannah, Liz, Sherry, and Nadine.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God Eternal, hold in your care all those who have died and grant that they and we may one day rise on the day of new Creation.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Loving Relationship is the very being of God, and you have made us in your image so that through relationship with you, and one another, we might

know abundant life. We ask these prayers now in the name of the Son who with the Father and Holy Spirit reigns over heaven and earth and across all ages, forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant 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 humbly 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.**

Celebrant: 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.**

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

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory Hymn *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Hymnal #383

- 1 Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O thou God of man the Son;
thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and
crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of
spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to
sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling, starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer,
than all the angels heaven can
boast.

Presentation Hymn *Praise to God*

Hymnal 380 v.3

- 3 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.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

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:

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.
Your Spirit moved over the deep
and brought all things into being:
sun, moon, and stars;
earth, winds, and waters;
and every living thing.
You made us in your image,
and taught us to walk in your ways.
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;
and yet, as a mother cares for her children,
you would not forget us.
Time and again you called us
to live in the fullness of your love.
And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Hymnal S-129

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant continues:

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.
Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
"Take, eat:
This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
gave it to them, and said:
"Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified, and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.
In the fullness of time bring us,
with Dunstan and all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and 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 *Agnus Dei*

Hymnal S-163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

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

Communion Hymn *Before Thy Throne, O God, We Kneel* Hymnal #574

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| <p>1 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel:
give us a conscience quick to feel,
a ready mind to understand
the meaning of thy chastening hand;
whate'er the pain and shame may be,
bring us, O Father, nearer thee.</p> <p>2 Search out our hearts and make us true;
help us to give to all their due.
From love of pleasure, lust of gold,
from sins which make the heart grow cold,
wean us and train us with thy rod;
teach us to know our faults, O God.</p> | <p>3 For sins of heedless word and deed,
for pride ambitious to succeed,
for crafty trade and subtle snare
to catch the simple unaware,
for lives bereft of purpose high,
forgive, forgive, O Lord, we cry.</p> <p>4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try,
our inmost spirits purify:
consume the ill; purge out the shame;
O God, be with us in the flame;
a new-born people may we rise,
more pure, more true, more nobly wise.</p> |
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Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and 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: Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed... do them, and the God of peace will be with you. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn *Christ is the World's True Light*

Hymnal #542

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| 1 Christ is the world's true Light,
its Captain of salvation,
the Daystar clear and bright
of every race and nation;
new life, new hope awakes,
for all who own his sway:
freedom her bondage breaks,
and night is turned to day. | 3 One Lord, in one great Name
unite us all who own thee;
cast out our pride and shame
that hinder to enthrone thee;
the world has waited long,
has travailed long in pain;
to heal its ancient wrong,
come, Prince of Peace, and reign. |
| 2 In Christ all races meet,
their ancient feuds forgetting,
the whole round world complete,
from sunrise to its setting:
when Christ is throned as Lord
all shall forsake their fear,
to ploughshare beat the sword,
to pruning-hook the spear. | |

Deacon: Let us bless 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 August 3, 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 Carol Saunders, Samuel Taishoff, David Graling and for those celebrating anniversaries this week.

We pray for those who are ill or in special need, especially we pray for Michael, Jack, Karen, Nancy, Elizabeth, Richard, Mani, Elliott, Brian, Louisa, Catherine, Sean, Harry, Roy, Wayne, Jim, Theresa, Misty, Helen, Bill, Ann, Frank, Chuck, David, Jolly, Janna, Jessica, Paula, Cathy, Savannah, Liz, Sherry, and Nadine.

We pray for: Our Country, Peace in Ukraine, Peace in the Middle East.

We pray for those who have died.

Assisting Today: Tony Griffin (Chalicer), Jim Buttz (Lector), Ted Lopatkiewicz & Drucie Andersen (Usher), Linda Young & Linda Scanlon (Altar Guild), Alison Keck (Flower Guild), Mary Vogel (Greeter).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ice Cream Sunday

Join us after church today for an ice cream treat! All donations of new packages of diapers and/or baby wipes collected will benefit the Second Story Young Mothers Program.

Chesterbrook Elementary Back-to-School Teacher Goodie Bags

Our partner school, Chesterbrook Elementary, will be back to work in early August. To welcome their new teachers, we will put together goodie bags for 10 members of the staff. How can you help? Donate 10 items to fill up the bags. Suggested items: candy, gift cards (Amazon, Starbucks, Target), hand lotion, colorful gel pens, pencils, note pads, stickers, or even a handwritten note! Kleenex, sanitizing wipes, and general school supplies are also welcome.

If you donate, please consider buying multiples of 10 so that the bags are similar. Team up with a friend or a group to lighten the load. Please bring your donations to church by Tuesday, August 5.

Bible Study Meetings Resume

Our Bible Study meetings will resume this week. Please join us in the Parish Hall conference room at 10:30am on Wednesday, August 6. All are welcome!

Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch will meet at **11:30am** on August 6 in the Vinson Hall Penthouse Dining Room, 6251 Old Dominion Dr. McLean. Please allow time to park (up the ramp to the right if entering from Kirby Road) & sign-in to obtain a visitor pass. No tipping or change for cash, so please pay by card. Contact Linda Young at 703.915.1887 or lindacy1001@gmail.com by August 5 if you plan to attend so a reservation count can be made. Carpool from the church is available.

Wreath Laying Ceremony

Rev. Chris Miller will deliver the Invocation for a Wreath Laying Ceremony in honor of the 47 fallen Marine Corps lieutenants of Basic School 3-67 at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Saturday, August 23, at 10 AM. The half-hour ceremony on the National Mall will be led by Dan Moore. The public is invited, and we welcome all St. Dunstan's parishioners interested in attending this event.

Shrine Mont Weekend

Our annual parish retreat weekend is scheduled for September 12-14. Philip Chalk will lead the weekend by exploring, "What Anglicans Believe: A short summary in 3 sessions." Sign-up sheets are available in the vestibule. Please contact Martha Taishoff at mvtaishoff@gmail.com or 703-582-3338 if you have questions or if you are interested in carpooling.

Fellowship Hosts Needed

Summer is a great time to get involved and host an outdoor fellowship. No coffee making, just cold drinks and snacks. The following Sundays need hosts: 8/17, 8/24, 8/31, 9/7, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28. Please contact Martha Taishoff (703) 582-3338 or mvtaishoff@gmail.com to pick a Sunday or to get more information.

Texas Flood Relief

St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Kerrville, TX is working on the recovery & rebuilding efforts after the floods of July 4. For information on how you can help the families impacted visit stpeterskerrville.com/floodrelief.



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