

Will you renew the life of the earth?

We will, with God's help!



the Parish of St. Dunstan

On the traditional lands of the Sto:lo Nation

February 9th 2020

5th Sunday after Epiphany



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Welcome!

This is a diverse & safe congregation for people wherever they are on their journey with Christ. We are an inclusive church which means we celebrate women in leadership, children at the Eucharist & welcome LGBTQ+ people to participate fully in the community.

W O R S H I P

We will, with God's Help!
Learning to live the baptized life.
Following the way of Jesus.
Together.

For Children

The **Nursery** is staffed & open for children ages 0 to 4.

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, talk to David.

Activity bags are available in the entry near the colouring table.

All our volunteers & staff have a criminal record check.

Taking Communion

Everyone is welcome to receive bread & wine as a sign of our commitment to Christ & Christ's commitment to us.

There are **gluten-free wafers** for those who need it & **juice** for those who prefer.

Prayers for healing with the anointing of oil is offered beneath the cross during Communion. Please **light a candle** as a sign of your prayers.

Today's Scripture

Introductions to the Lessons by Bill Bennett

Isaiah 58: the prophet challenges the shallowness of religious observance by the exiled Jews. They are soon to return to their homeland. He calls for compassion & social justice.

I Corinthians 2: Paul urges the Corinthian Christians to discern the hidden wisdom of God, guided by the Spirit of God.

Matthew 5: Jesus uses striking metaphors of mission, namely salt & light. The observance of the Jewish Law was an issue much discussed by Jewish & Gentile Christians.

Sermon Notes

What is this thing called baptism?

Right up to Lent (which begins on Ash Wednesday February 26th) we will explore this ancient practice & wonder how it affects us today.

This week we wonder about the sixth baptismal covenant:

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation
& respect, sustain, & renew the life of the earth?
We will, with God's help!

Weekly devotions are available on the welcome desk as well as
on the website.

Gathering the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, & the love of God, & the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. & **also with you.**

Announcements

There is one body & one Spirit, **there is one hope in God's call to us;**
One Lord, one faith, one baptism, **one God & Father of all.**

In God we live, in God we move, In God we are.
We are God's beloved children, we are God's own.

David Taylor

Hear, O Israel: God is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind,
all your strength. *(three times)*

Hear, O children: God is love.

Love your neighbor as you love yourself. *(three times)*

Hear, O children: **This is God's way.**

David Taylor

It's a song of praise to the Maker, the thrush sings high in the tree.

It's a song of praise to the maker, the gray whale sings in the sea. ℞

℞ & by the spirit you & I can join our voice to the holy cry & sing,
sing, sing to the maker too.

It's a call of life to the Giver when waves & waterfalls roar.

It's a call of life to the Giver when high tides break on the shore. ℞

It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the bumblebees hum along.

It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the summer breeze joins the song, ℞

It's the chorus of all creation; it's sung by all living things.

It's the chorus of all creation; a song the universe sings. ℞

Duck/Klusmeier

Let us pray.

**God of Israel, giver of love's law: liberate us from all that numbs
compassion, so that we may find in your commands light undimmed &
flavour undiminished; through Jesus Christ, fulfiller of the law. Amen.**

Proclaiming the Word

The Prophet Isaiah (58:1-9a) Listen for God's Word. **Our hearts are open.**

Many & great, O God are your works, maker of earth & sky. Your hands have set the heavens with stars; your fingers spread the mountains & plains. Lo, at Your word the waters were formed; deep seas obey your voice.

Grant unto us communion with you, O star abiding one. Come unto us & dwell with us; with you are found the gifts of life. Bless us with life that has no end, eternal life in you.

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Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (2:1-12)
Listen for God's Word. **Our hearts are open.**

Touch the earth lightly, use the earth gently, nourish the life of the world in our care: gift of great wonder, ours to surrender, trust for the children tomorrow will bear.

We who endanger, who create hunger, agents of death for all creatures that live, we who would foster clouds of disaster, God of our planet, forestall & forgive.

Let there be greening, birth from the burning, water that blesses & air that is sweet, health in God's garden, hope in God's children, regeneration that peace will complete.

God of all living, God of all loving, god of the seedling, the snow & the sun, teach us, deflect us, Christ reconnect us, using us gently & making us one.

Shirley Murray/Colin Gibson

May God be with you. & **also with you.**
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 5:13-20

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon, Baptismal Covenant & the Prayers of the People

The peace of the Lord be always with you. & **also with you.**

Please be seated as we collect our offering to God.

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy & the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God! R

R We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to service one another, to walk humbly with God.

Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred & blindness will be no more! R

Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, & we'll walk with each other as sisters & brothers united in love! R

David Haas

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high & low.
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, & Spirit one.**

Holy Communion

May God be with you. & **also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks & praise.**

the Eucharistic Prayer continues to the Sanctus.

**Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, God!**

**Santo, santo, santo. Mi corazon te adora.
Mi corazon te sabe decir. Santo eres Dios!**

Spanish Traditional

the Eucharistic prayer continues to 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, & deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, &
glory are yours now & for ever. Amen.**

music: Gordon Light

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

These are the gifts of God for the children of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

**Bread of life, feed my soul, as the presence of the spirit makes me
whole. Bread of life, fill my heart with the grace & mercy your impart.**

Stephen Spencer/Rick Gunn

R I have heard your voice calling, “Come my friend, & share in
the feast that is laid out for you to show how much I care.”

**Bread of life, help me live a life as pure & true as Jesus did. Bread of
life, help me see the boundless love of Christ for you & me. *R***

**Bread of life, feed my soul, as the presence of the spirit makes me
whole. Bread of life, fill my heart with the grace & mercy you impart.**

**Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure & holy tried & true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

Thompson/Scruggs

God says, “Be still so you may hear the words I whisper in your ear. If you will listen, you will know I’m with you always where you go.”

God says, “Look up ☺ see the prize I’ve placed here right before your eyes. Find beauty in the things of earth, a cause for wonder ☺ rebirth.”

God says, “Come here! I need your voice. Please teach my people to rejoice. In who you are, in what you do, your life will show my love for you.”

M. Bittner

God says, “Reach out! The world’s in need ☺ wants a word, a song, a deed. I send you forth to speak, to sing, to act for Christ in everything.”

God of the sparrow God of the whale God of the swirling stars. How does the creature say, Awe? How does the creature say Praise?

God of the earth quake God of the storm, God of the trumpet blast. How does the creature cry Woe? How does the creature cry Save?

God of the rainbow God of the cross God of the empty grave. How does the creature say Grace? How does the creature say Thanks?

God of the hungry God of the sick God of the prodigal. How does the creature say Care? How does the creature say Life?

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Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church ☺ in Christ Jesus, for ever ☺ ever. Amen

Sending the Community

Go now in the life of the Creator. Go now with the blessing of Christ. Go now in the power of the Spirit. Go. Go now. ☺ the peace of God that is beyond all understanding will go with you.

Go now in the life of the Creator. Go now with the blessing of Christ. Go now in the power of the Spirit. Go. Go now. ✠ the blessing of Creator, Living Word ✠ Holy Spirit, be with you ✠ stay with you always.

Go now in the life of the Creator. **(We will go!)** Go now with the blessing of Christ. **(We will go!)** Go now in the power of the Spirit. **(We will go. We will go!)**

**We will go ✠ tell our friends ✠ families what happened here.
How we saw the life ✠ love of God.**

Will you go? **We'll go in the life of the Creator!**
Will you go? **We'll go with the Blessing of Christ!**
Will you go? **We'll go in the power of the Spirit. Go! We'll go now!**

Thanks be to God! *(three times)*

**We'll go in the life of the Creator. We'll go with the blessing of Christ.
We'll go in the power of the Spirit. Go! We'll go now!**

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! *(three times)*
Thanks be to God! We will go!

*Coffee ✠ refreshments are served in the hall following the service.
Please visit the Information Table in the entry if you have any questions*

Stewardship

*Have you considered signing up for **pre-authorised debit (PAD)**? It is easy ✠ a good way to support the church even when you cannot be present for a service. Please connect with David or one of the other parish leaders for more information.*




PWRDF

The Primate's World Relief
and Development Fund

*For more information, please visit PWRDF.ORG.
There you can read all about the good work it does, current areas of need ✠ how you can participate.*

WEEKLY EVENTS

Events marked with  are through the Centre for Spiritual Renewal.

Men's Coffee

Wednesdays at 9am

Women's Coffee & Crafts

Fridays at 10am

Community Meal

Thursdays at 6pm.

Lectio & Labyrinth

Fridays at noon.

Study Group

Wednesdays at 7pm.

Liturgy 101: the pursuit of the Beautiful

Centering Prayer

Wednesdays at 630pm

Fridays at 11:30am

St. Dunstan & St. Andrew's Youth Group (ages 11+)

Fridays at 7pm. Call 778-987-0530 for location.

COMMUNITY CARE

Reconciliation

The priest is available to hear confession by appointment.

Listening Prayer

Prayer for those in crisis or need. For more information please connect with Katherine Murray at katherine.murray22@gmail.com.

Spiritual Direction

Trained Spiritual Directors are available. To arrange please email the office.

Ride Sharing

If you need a ride, or can offer one, please let someone at the Information Booth know.


Visiting

If you need a visit, please call the office to arrange. If you would like to become a pastoral visitor, please connect with the priest.

Prayer Chain


If you wish someone to be remembered in our Prayer Chain Ministry, please email the office.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS


Events marked with  are through the Centre for Spiritual Renewal.


2020 Budget Preview *Today, February 9th following the service*

Spaghetti Dinner *Saturday, February 15th at 6pm*
Tickets available from the Choir

 **Spiritual Practice Series** *Sunday, February 16th from 7 to 8:30pm*
Ancient Treasures of Chanting with Rev'd David Taylor & Carol Tindall
Please see Centre for Spiritual Renewal program

Messy Church *Friday, February 21st from 4:30 to 6:30pm*

 **Welcoming Prayer in Lent** *Sundays, February 23rd – April 5th 11:30am-1pm*
Please see Centre for Spiritual Renewal program

 **Sung Evening Prayer** *Sunday, February 23rd from 7:30 to 8:30pm*
With Cathy Hardy
Please see Centre for Spiritual Renewal program

Pancake Supper *Tuesday, February 26th at 5pm*



ST DUNSTAN'S CENTRE FOR
**SPIRITUAL
RENEWAL**

The Centre for Spiritual Renewal is the name we give to our Adult Christian Formation programs at St. Dunstan's. Please pick up the most recent program guide & check our website regularly for more information on coming events.

Next Sunday: the Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany (Vestry). Readings include:
Matthew 5:21-37



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