

ST. DUNSTAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, ELLSWORTH

TID BITS FROM THE TABLE ~ JANUARY 6, 2023

Dear ones,

As this is my week 'off' I've been spending it on my other job—teaching! I'm always struck by how my students are able to form a close bond with each other, even early in the semester. The courses I teach for Wesley Theological Seminary (in DC) meet online, and students join from Africa, Central and South America, Asia, Europe and North America. It's truly a global community, and the students are very supportive of one another.

But, by now I'm a bit spoiled! Our community here at St Dunstan's is very generous with each other, in terms of how we care for each other and support one another. I'm truly blessed to be part of our church family.

I wish you a beautiful Epiphany, today and when you gather to celebrate Morning Prayer with our beloved Diana Gazis this Sunday!

With love,
Carolyn+



Affirmation Prayer

God Calls me out of darkness to
live in light,

God calls me out of falsehood
to live in truth,

God calls me out of despair to
live in hope,

God calls me out of fear to live
in trust,

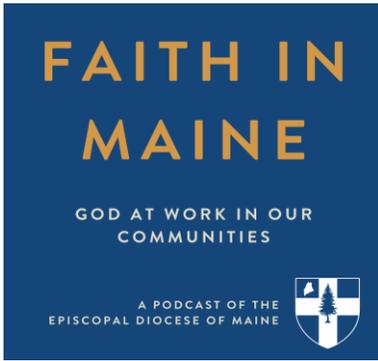
God calls me out of hate to live
in love,

God calls out of war to live in
peace,

I am called by God to fill my
heart, my world,

my universe, with peace, peace,
peace. Amen.

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Faith in Maine:

This is a podcast produced by our Episcopal Diocese with various members of the clergy giving their thoughts and prayers. The podcast changes each week. Feel free to call and listen.

You can call 207-223-6402 at any time. They usually last approximately 4-5 minutes.

Let us always remember that we are living on the traditional homelands of the Passamaquoddy and Penobscot peoples and of the Wabanaki confederacy of Maine. We recognize the native peoples throughout this land.

Prayer For Peace

Oh Great Spirit who dwells in the sky,
lead us to the path of peace and understanding,
let all of us live together as brothers and sisters.
Our lives are so short here, walking upon Mother Earth's surface,
let our eyes be opened to all the blessings you have given us.
Please hear our prayers, Oh Great Spirit.
- Native American Prayer

Happy Birthday to Marjorie Linscott! Enjoy!



Family News



We would love to hear about **your news** and for **what you are thankful during this year**. Submit your news to stdunstansellsworth@gmail.com

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the Greater Glory of God by Dave and Marian Wells in celebration of 42 wonderful years of marriage.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for St. Savior's, Bar Harbor. We pray especially for Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center in Biddeford.

We Pray Especially For: Mary Rita Mongato, Carol Yancey, Anna Mears, Mary Mitchell, Sam Navrat, Meg Stevens, Skip Stevens, Tony Rowan, Jerry Whitney and Larmie Knuesli for healing, strength, and comfort.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list or continue a name on the list, please let us know at stdunstansellsworth@gmail.com or leave a message at the church (667-5495). Prayer requests will remain for three weeks.

It is important to us that the list be up-to-date and accurate. To everyone, please stay well and safe. Blessings to you all.

Almighty and merciful God, we ask in our prayers that the conflict in Ukraine and the others around the world can be resolved peacefully. Bless the people that have been affected by the unrest and grant them peace and justice. We also ask for the people in our own country that have been impacted by the hurricanes, violence and lose of loved ones as they grieve, pick up their lives. Grant them strength, comfort, and healing. All this we ask with the power of your love to all through Jesus Christ our Lord.

~ UPCOMING WORSHIP / EVENTS SCHEDULE ~

At this time the Sunday services will be both in church following safe practices and via Zoom. Compline is every Thursday at 7:00p.m via Zoom

The sanctuary is open for quiet reflection and prayer on Mondays 2-4.

January 8 ~ Morning Prayer 9:30

January 15 ~ Holy Eucharist 9:30

January 22 ~ Holy Eucharist 9:30



Following the **9:30 am** service **this Sunday** we will be **un-greening the church** and would appreciate your help to take down the wreaths and garland, remove the Christmas tree and put away the creche. **Thank you in advance for your help, and you may be able to take home a beautiful poinsettia.**

History of Our Beloved Hymns

From time-to-time Herbert Beckwith will write about the history of a hymn that we have sung in our services. Keep your eyes open for this wonderful addition.

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME, 450 & 451

Tune: 450, Coronation
451, Miles Lane

The hymn text “All hail the power...” with the tune “Coronation” is among the most popular hymns among Episcopalians. Text and tune are of 18th century origin and have been associated since then. The first stanza appeared anonymously in 1779, and the complete hymn text, attributed to Edward Perronet, appeared in 1780. A much-altered version was published in 1787 by John Ripon. A version combining those of Perronet and Ripon appeared to Episcopalians in 1865. With minor changes this appears in 1982, set to two tunes. “Coronation”, the tune we have sung, was composed by Oliver Holden, and published in 1793 with the Perronet text. It is said to be the most used of 18th century American hymn tunes. It has been matched with this hymn text since the tune was published in 1793. This matching appeared in many hymnals including musical versions of our 1871 hymnal. “Miles Lane is used for 451 and has been associated with the Perronet text since 1779. The Tucker musical edition of the 1892 hymnal contained this tune with this text.

HOW SWEET THE NAME OF JESUS SOUNDS, 644

Tune: St. Peter

This well-known hymn text written by John Newton has been popular for more than two hundred years. It was published in 1749 in Olney Hymns and has been in our own hymnal since 1892. Most of us know that Newton was a slave ship captain who gave up that life, became an Anglican priest, and wrote the hymn “Amazing Grace” in disgust at his early career. The tune “St. Peter” was composed by English musician Alexander Reinagle and published in 1830. It is named for the church where the composer was organist for over 30 years.

OH MASTER LET ME WALK WITH THEE, 659 & 660

Tune: 659, De Tar
660, Maryton

This popular hymn text asking for God's presence as we pursue a life of service to him entered our hymnal in 1916. Congregational clergyman Washington Gladden wrote it in 1879 as a poem for publication in a magazine he edited. It was published as a hymn in 1880. Two tunes are used for it in the 1982 hymnal. For 659 the tune is "De Tar" by contemporary American composer Calvin Hampton. Written in 1970 it was intended for a text by Isaac Watts, but has been used for other texts including both hymn 458 and this one in the 1982 hymnal. The tune "Maryton", composed by Henry P. Smith for "Sun of my soul," is used for 660. First published in a 1874 English hymnal it has been in our hymnal for this text since 1916 and is the tune we are accustomed to sing. It is said that the author preferred this tune for his text.



Priest - Rev. Dr. Carolyn Rosen
Deacon - Rev. Tracy Shaffer
Senior Warden - Dianne Kelley
Deputy Senior Warden - Liz Graves
Junior Warden - Kim Peterson

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Rain is in the church office Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8 – 9 am