



CHURCH *of the*
INCARNATION

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 3, 2021

Contemporary Service

ORDER OF SERVICE

SONG

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art
Thou my best though, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my life

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

All 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.

SONG OF PRAISE

Great Are You Lord

Verse You give life, You are love, You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore every heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

Chorus It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

Bridge And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, give grace to your people to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to follow you the only God with pure hearts and minds, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:4–9

Moses said, "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. And these words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. And you shall bind them as a sign upon your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. And you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 122

Chorus I was glad when they said
I was glad when they said
“Let us go to the house of the Lord”

Verse 1 We are assured a place in the gates
This holy city of peace
Its walls are built upon love and faith
Founded in our unity

Verse 2 Pray for the peace of the temple He keeps
He will secure every stone
Sing for the sake of all the Redeemed
Speak good and make His rest unknown

Bridge God’s people will go up and shout
His praises in every tongue
The throne of His judgment is set for all time
For the Christ, David’s Son

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:4–8

I give thanks to God always for you because of the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him with all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ; who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE

Open Thou Mine Eyes

Open Thou mine eyes and I shall see
Incline my heart and I shall desire
Order my step and I shall walk
In the ways of Thy commandments

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:34–46

Deacon ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they came together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question, to test him. "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, "What do you think of the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David, inspired by the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I put thy enemies under thy feet'? If David thus calls him Lord, how is he his son?" And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did any one dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

Fr. Joe Dewey

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

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel.

Deacon & 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.

The Celebrant stands and gives the Absolution, after which all stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

All greet one another with a sign of peace in the name of the Lord.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON (9 AM)

Viv Jordan

OFFERTORY SONG

Before The Throne of God Above

The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea:
A great High Priest, whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me

My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look, and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin

Behold Him there, the Risen Lamb
My perfect, spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I am
The King of glory and of grace!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

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.

The Celebrant continues with the Preface, which concludes

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Celebrant & People

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.

All kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

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,

Celebrant & People

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and a period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant We do not presume
All to come to this your table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord
whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Persons who wish to have the Holy Eucharist brought to them in their pew should notify an usher.

Instructions for Holy Communion

All Christians who have been baptized with water and in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, who come forward in faith and are permitted to receive Holy Communion in their own church, are welcome to do so on this occasion.

Communion is received in the following way: a priest places the Bread in the palm of your hand, which you then consume; to receive the Wine, hold the base of the chalice, guide it to your lips. The practice of dipping the Bread into the Wine is not permitted. If you do not wish to receive one or both Elements, simply cross your arms over your chest.

If one is not able (e.g. because of a medical condition), or prefers not, to receive either the Bread or the Wine, the Church has always taught that a person still receives all the benefits of Holy Communion. If needed, there is wine from a dedicated gluten-free chalice; just notify a priest when you kneel at the altar rail.

Please feel free to consult with a member of the clergy if you have more questions.

SONG

The Greatest Commandment

Chorus Love the Lord your God
 With all your heart and soul and mind
 And love your neighbor as yourself

Verse Let us be known, let us be known
 By the way we love

Outro Love, love, love, the greatest commandment is
 Love, love, love, the greatest commandment is
 Love, love, love, the greatest commandment is love

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Celebrant gives the blessing, after which the Deacon says

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

ON THE CALENDAR

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

SUNDAYS • 10:20 AM

Reading While Black – Join Fr. Joe Dewey to study Esau McCauley's book and discuss its implications for our reading of Scripture and training in righteousness.

Parenting Class – Whether your family has found its groove or you are struggling to keep up, all parents from all stages are welcome.

Deep Roots: Worship – A pre-requisite for adult baptism or confirmation, this class covers the Nicene Creed, salvation, sacraments, liturgy, and the church calendar.

FALL PARENTING CLASS

SUNDAYS • 5:30 PM **ED BLDG, ROOM 115/116**

In our Fall Parenting class, we will explore foundational questions like What is a child? What is a parent? What are we aiming to do when we parent a child?

MOMS GET FED

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14 • 7 PM **ED BLDG, THEATRE**

"Mom guilt" is not just a cliché; it's real, and so is the "struggle to juggle." Join Dr. Jodie Elder for a talk on Authentic Self: Strategies for Tapping into your God-Given Worthiness. Bring a friend and come along- dinner and drinks included! RSVP to <http://evite.me/JDJNet-nMPb>.

YOUNG ADULT GAME NIGHT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16 • 7 PM

Come play board games and have a blast with other young adults. Meeting at Ben and Annie Hodges' home. Contact Drew Crowson for directions and details.

STUDENT MINISTRY PUMPKIN CHASE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 • 4:30 PM **GREAT HALL**

This treasure-hunting race takes place with small teams - a great event to bring students together who are in Grades 6-12. Friends are welcome to join in. Get together for lots of fun, food, prizes, and adventure while searching for treasures around the neighborhood. Parents: We need drivers for this event! It is an incredibly fun way to serve the students. Email Donna Stack dstack@incarnation.org.

FALL THEOLOGY LECTURE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 • 7 PM **ED BLDG, THEATRE**

This lecture seeks scriptural illumination on the matter of making distinctions (of which, borders are one particular instance). Why are we called to make distinctions? And whence comes the tragic element in all line-drawing?

GOOD BOOKS GOOD TALK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24 • 7 PM **ED BLDG, ROOM 205**

Our Town by Thornton Wilder is an American play from the last century, about ordinary small-town life: boy, girl, chores, responsibility, growing up...and then that haunting final scene in the town graveyard. Can Jesus visit these dead?

EVENT DETAILS & REGISTRATION

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WEEKLY ENEWS

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WEEKLY READINGS

This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 986, Proper 22.

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