

CHURCH *of the* INCARNATION



*But they who wait for the Lord
shall renew their strength.*

*They shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.*

The Twentieth
Sunday after Pentecost
October 10, 2021
Contemporary Service

ISAIAH 40:31

ORDER OF SERVICE

SONG

Flourishing

Teach me, oh God to follow your decrees
Give me understanding, your word, I wanna keep
Direct me in the path, of your commands
For there I find delight, my will is in your hands

Turn my heart away from worthless things
Preserve my life, according to your ways
Take away disgrace
You hold me in my place—flourishing

Fulfill your promise to the ones you love
Within your ways we walk, for your laws are good
Temptation loses pow'r, my soul's revived
In righteousness, oh God, preserve my life

Turn my heart away from worthless things
Preserve my life, according to your ways
Take away disgrace
You hold me in my place—flourishing

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

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in Heaven along,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with your spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, keep us by your bountiful goodness from everything that may hurt us so that we may be ready both in body and soul cheerfully to accomplish whatever you want us to do, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSON

Proverbs 9:1–6

Wisdom has built her house, she has set up her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her beasts, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her maids to call from the highest places in the town, "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who is without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Leave simpleness, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 145

I will bless You all of my days, Lord
I will praise You always, my God and King
I will bless and honor Your name, Lord
Always and forever, my soul will sing

Such a vast, unsearchable greatness
Great is Yahweh, worthy of all our praise
Let Your people sound through the ages
All Your awesome works 'til the end of days

We have seen Your splendor and glory
We have seen Your wonders and stand amazed
Every tongue will echo Your story
Everyone will sing of Your righteous ways
O let all that lives ever bless His name!

All that You have made, Lord, will praise You
All Your saints will worship in joyful strain
Praise the Lord, who ransoms and rescues
Praise the God of glory, who ever reigns

He is holy, judging the wicked
Guarding those that love Him and fear His name
All that call out, Yahweh is with them
He will hear their cries, He is strong to save

He upholds the one who is stumbling,
Lifting up those burdened with heavy loads;
Opening His hand to the hungry,
Blessing all that look to their Lord and hope!

He is tender toward His creation;
He is faithful, gracious in all He does!
Great is Yahweh, full of compassion,
Slow to anger, filled with unfailing love!

O let all that lives ever bless His name!
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THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 5:15–21

Look carefully how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, always and for everything giving thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father. Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE

Let Us Be Known

Let us be known by our love
In every word, in every deed honor the Son
Let our light shine in every eye
Let us be known by our love

For the glory of the Father
For the glory of the Son
For the glory of the Spirit
Let us be known by our love

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1–14

Deacon ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.’ But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.’ And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

Bp. Anthony Burton

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)

OFFERTORY SONG

Kingdom of God

The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Verse 1 Oh that I could see your face
 How I'm longing for the day
 Brighter sun of holy grace
 Make my heart a holy place

Pre-Chorus Blessed are the poor who have nothing to own
 Blessed are the mourners who are crying alone
 Blessed are the guilty who have nowhere to go

Chorus For their hearts have a road to the kingdom of God
 And their souls are the songs of the kingdom of God
 And they will find a refuge for theirs in the kingdom of God

Verse 2 Beauty shining from your face
 Always longed to see this place
 Is there somewhere I can stay?
 Even just a couple days?

Bridge The Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want
 In valley or pasture, we shall not want
 Our cup runneth over and over
 For now and forever
 For now and forever

Tag Oh that I could see your face
 How I'm longing for the day

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

Take My Life

- Verse 1* Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise,
Let them flow in endless praise.
- Verse 2* Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee,
Swift and beautiful for thee.
- Verse 3* Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne,
It shall be thy royal throne.

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.

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This image shows a blank sheet of white paper designed as a notebook page. It features horizontal grey ruling lines spaced evenly down the page. A thick, dark red border frames the entire sheet. At the top center, the word "NOTES" is printed in a large, bold, dark red font. In the upper right corner, there are faint, light blue scribbles or marks.



CYNTHIA *and* DAVID

Krause



Pictured in photo:

Cynthia and David Krause



*One of the best gifts we received
from God were parents who modeled
His immense love for us ...*

One of the best gifts we received from God were parents who modeled His immense love for us and how we should respond to that love.

We learned early through conversations that our response was to reflect God's love to others, including through how we spend our money.

We believe the power and impact of tithing on us and our parish cannot be exaggerated. Through our gifts, we grow disciples, train children, care for the poor, the sick, and the hurting within our parish, our city, and the world; we employ Christian servants to lead us and provide space and amenities for Christian

community. Perhaps most importantly though, may be how tithing changes us, reminding us that everything is not about what we want, but what God desires and that all we have comes from Him.

David says a favorite part of Sunday morning worship is when he sees our offerings mingled with others and brought to the altar to be blessed for service. As our parents did, may we always give, teach, and model for future generations how critical this discipline is, for the building up of us as Christ's disciples and the future of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church.



ON THE CALENDAR

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

SUNDAYS • 10:20 AM INCARNATION.ORG/CLASSES

BACH'S LUNCH

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12 • 12:15 PM **CHURCH**

Join us for Bach's Lunch, our new free monthly concert series focused on the music of J.S. Bach and his circle.

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 at dcrowson@incarnation.org 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 • 5 PM **ASCENSION CHAPEL**

BORDERS: The Necessary and Yet Tragic Matter of Drawing Lines.

The Rev. Canon Victor Lee Austin, Ph.D. presents scriptural illumination on the matter of making distinctions (of which, borders are one particular instance). Why are we called to make distinctions? What is the tragic element in all line-drawing? Bishop George Sumner to provide a response, then join us for a wine and cheese reception in Rittenmeyer Gallery.

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? Read the play and join The Rev. Canon Victor Lee Austin, Ph.D. for the discussion this month.

TRUNK OR TREAT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30 • 3-5 PM **NORTH PARKING LOT**

Bring your kids to partake in the treats or help us by serving as trunk greeters, help pass out candy, or donate candy and have it shipped straight to the church! Costumes encouraged! Music, fellowship, and food round out the festivities.

EVENT DETAILS & REGISTRATION

INCARNATION.ORG/EVENTS



NEW GUEST *or* NEED ASSISTANCE

Stop by the Welcome Desk in the Welcome Center between services to get support, discover ways to connect, and pick up a new visitor gift.



WEEKLY ENEWS

Our official church newsletter is the best way to receive up-to-date announcements and information about upcoming events. Sign up today at incarnation.org/enews.



WEEKLY READINGS

This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 988, Proper 23.

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