



CHURCH *of the*
INCARNATION

The First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021

Traditional Service

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The 7:30 am service is spoken with no music.

Musical Setting at 11:15 am: *Messe Basse* by Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

All stand at the entrance of the procession.

Introit: *Ad te levavi*

UNTIL thee, O LORD, lift I up my soul: O my God, in thee have I trusted, let me not be confounded: neither let mine enemies triumph over me: for all they that look for thee shall not be ashamed. *Ps.* Shew me thy ways, O LORD: and teach me thy paths.

THE LITANY

Sung by the Choir.

The People kneel for the first four petitions.

O GOD the Father of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
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O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
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The People stand as the remainder of The Litany is sung in procession.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.
Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,
Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,
Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God: and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way,
Good Lord, deliver us.

That it may please thee so to rule the heart of thy servant, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, that he may above all things seek thy honour and glory,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve all Christian Rulers and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth and shew it accordingly,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land, or air, or water all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the father-less children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

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O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the world;
Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the world;
Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.
O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect

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

ALmighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through the same Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament Lesson [*The Epistle is read here at 9 am*]

Micah 4:1-4, 6-7

IT shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it, and many nations shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide for strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and none shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken. In that day, says the LORD, I will assemble the lame and gather those who have been driven away, and those whom I have afflicted; and the lame I will make the remnant; and those who were cast off, a strong nation; and the LORD will reign over them in Mount Zion from this time forth and for evermore.

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

UNTO thee, O LORD, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee: *
 O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.
 For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed; *
 but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.
 Shew me thy ways, O LORD, *
 and teach me thy paths.
 Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me: *
 for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.
 Call to remembrance, O LORD, thy tender mercies, *
 and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.
 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth; *
 but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O LORD, for thy goodness.
 Gracious and righteous is the LORD; *
 therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
 Them that are meek shall he guide in judgment; *
 and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.
 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth, *
 unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Epistle

Romans 13:8-14

OWE no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

Hymn 66

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Stuttgart

The Gospel

Matthew 21:1-13

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

WHEN Jesus and his disciples drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee." And Jesus entered the temple of God and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you make it a den of robbers."

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Victor Lee Austin, Ph.D.

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I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, ✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

ALmighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and gives the Absolution.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy 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 thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY

The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Anthem

Charles Wood (1866–1926)

OTHOU, the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light
Of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright
Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
Of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight
Gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove.
Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day
In fellowship with thee, transforming clay
To souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

Henry Ramsden Bramley (1833–1917)

Doxology

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. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People
It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues with the Preface, which concludes

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus & Benedictus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord

God of hosts, Heav-en and earth are full of thy glo - ry:

Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the Name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE CANON OF THE EUCHARIST

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer on BCP page 334. The prayer concludes

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

Communion Devotions

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People say the Lord's Prayer.

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.

People and Celebrant

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

Agnus Dei

Women

O — Lamb — of God, that — ta - kest a-way the sins — of — the world,

Men

have — mer - cy — up - on — us. O — Lamb — of God, —

that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have — mer - cy — up - on — us.

All

O — Lamb — of God, that — ta - kest a-way the sins — of — the world,

grant — us — thy — peace.

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 and 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 and the priest will give you a blessing.

For those with a medical need, Wine from a dedicated gluten-free chalice is available at the Low Altar.

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.

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

Motet

William McKie (1901–1984)

WE wait for thy loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of thy temple.
O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end.
Thy right hand is full of righteousness: Alleluia.
O Lord send us now prosperity. Amen.

Psalm 48:8–9; Psalm 118:25

Hymn 54

Savior of the nations, come!

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

CONCLUDING RITES

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and gives the blessing.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 57

Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Helmsley

Organ Voluntary

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Altar Arrangements

Are given to the glory of God...

in loving memory and thanksgiving for
the lives of William Polk Murchison Sr.
and Dorothy Ann Bivin Murchison

Choral Evensong

Webcast and in-person at 4 pm | This evening's music will be:

Voluntary: *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659*, Johann Sebastian Bach

Responses: Tomkins

Psalm 113: S. Vann

Canticles: *Second Service*, William Byrd

Anthem: *Alma Redemptoris Mater*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

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St. Nicholas Sunday

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

9 & 11:15 AM

Children will place their shoes outside of their Sunday classrooms while St. Nicholas visits for a special treat!



A FESTIVAL OF NINE

Lessons
&

Carols

SUNDAYS, DECEMBER 12 & 19 • CHURCH
4:30 PM ORGAN PRELUDE • 5 PM SERVICE



FAMILY NIGHT

Sunday, December 5 at 4pm

Worship at Choral Evensong in the Church with a special children's sermon, then join us in the Great Hall to enjoy food, fellowship, crafts, Advent resources, and singing carols along with other families!

SILVER SAINTS **CHRISTMAS EVE GATHERING**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24
1-3 PM • GREAT HALL

Senior adults and their friends are invited to a *come-and-go* celebration with eggnog, wine, and savories after the 12 pm Christmas Eve Service!

If you can make it, please let Carol Kadel know by Tuesday, December 14 at 214-217-5610.



ANGEL TREE ADOPTIONS

Angel Tree families and foster children are available for adoption. Fulfill gift wishes this year using our online selection process.



Help collect ingredients for 250 Angel Tree families to prepare a veggie chili. Purchase items from our Amazon wish list and ship to the church or shop at your local market and drop-off food donations in the baskets in the Welcome Center.

ANGEL TREE GIFT DROP-OFF NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

WELCOME CENTER

Convenient gift drop-off and plenty of time to enjoy activities for both adults and children alike.

FOR COMPLETE DETAILS & LINKS FOR ANGEL TREE ADOPTIONS, FOOD DRIVE, GIFT DROP-OFF, & VOLUNTEER ROLES, VISIT:
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christmas poinsettias

One of the longest and loveliest traditions at Incarnation is to honor and remember your loved ones with hundreds of poinsettias that adorn our altars during the Christmas season through your generous donations.

INCARNATION.ORG/POINSETTIAS

Deadline to donate is Sunday, December 5.

SEND IN YOUR VESTRY NOMINATIONS

Parish members in good standing should participate in the Vestry nominating process by December 21. Five parishioners are elected annually to the Vestry for a three-year term. Be sure to get prior consent of the person whom you wish to nominate, then jump online to submit your nomination: incarnation.org/vestry-nomination.

THE BEGINNINGS OF CHRISTIAN ART

SUNDAYS • 10:20 AM

EDUCATION BLDG, ROOM 205

Explore how Christians understood the Bible and theology, and how they set the direction for Christian art in the Byzantine and Medieval periods and beyond.

GOOD BOOKS GOOD TALK

SUN, NOVEMBER 28 • 5 PM **ED BLDG, ROOM 205**

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll is witty and charming, upside-down and haunting; this children's classic is not just for children.



EVENTS DETAILS & REGISTRATION
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CHRISTMAS EVE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

12 PM

Holy Eucharist with Choir

2 PM

*Family Service
with the Incarnation Choristers*

*Contemporary Eucharist
with the Uptown Band*

5 PM

*Holy Eucharist
with the Incarnation Choir & Brass*

*Contemporary Eucharist
with the Uptown Band*

10:30 PM

*High Mass
with Incense, the Incarnation Choir, & Brass*

CHRISTMAS DAY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

11 AM

*Celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord
with Holy Eucharist*



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. 994, Proper 29.

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