



CHURCH *of the*
INCARNATION

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

December 26, 2021

Traditional Service

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The 7:30 am and 4 pm service is spoken with no music.

Organ Voluntary
Noël Grand Jeu et duo

Louis-Claude Daquin (1694–1772)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Introit: *Dum medium*

WHENAS all the world was in profoundest quietness, and night was in the midst of her swift course, thine almighty Word, O Lord, leaped down from heaven out of thy royal throne. *Ps.* The LORD is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the LORD hath put on his apparel and girded himself with strength.

Hymn 93

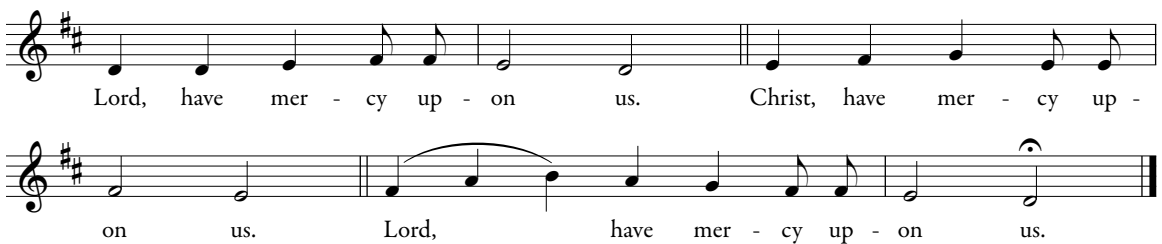
Angles, from the realms of glory

Regent Square

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

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity.

Kyrie



Gloria in excelsis



thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God _____ the

Fa - ther Al - might - - - y. _____ O Lord, the on - ly be-got-ten

Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that

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

way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of

God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art ho - ly;

thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly

Ghost, art most high ✠ in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. _____

A - - - - - men.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALmighty God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin; Grant that we, being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.
Amen.

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 62:10–12

GO through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to the daughter of Zion, “Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.” And they shall be called the holy people, the redeemed of the LORD; and you shall be called sought out, a city not forsaken.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 45:1–6

Anglican Chant by Robert Cooke (1768–1814)

MY heart overfloweth with a good matter; I speak the things which I have made concerning the King. *
My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

Thou art fairer than the children of men; *

full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.

Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh O thou Most Mighty, *

according to thy worship and renown.

Good luck have thou with thine honour: *

ride on because of the word of truth of meekness and righteousness;

and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

Thy arrows are very sharp in the heart of the King's enemies, *

and the people shall be subdued unto thee.

Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever; *

the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

The Epistle *[not read at 9 am]*

Galatians 4:1–7

IMEAN that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 98

Unto us a boy is born!

Puer nobis nascitur

The Gospel

Matthew 1:18–25

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

NOW the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit; and her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: “Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel” (which means, God with us). When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took his wife, but knew her not until she had borne a son; and he called his name Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Cody Turner

THE NICENE CREED

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon says

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Each petition concludes

Deacon Let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

The prayers conclude in this way

Deacon In the communion of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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

The Shepherd's Farewell

Hector Berlioz (1803–1869)

THOU must leave thy lowly dwelling, the humble crib, the stable bare.
Babe, all mortal babes excelling, content our earthly lot to share.
Loving father, Loving mother, shelter thee with tender care!

Blessed Jesus, we implore thee with humble love and holy fear.
In the land that lies before thee, forget not us who linger here!
May the shepherd's lowly calling, ever to thy heart be dear!

Blest are ye beyond all measure, thou happy father, mother mild!
Guard ye well your heavenly treasure, the Prince of Peace, The Holy Child!
God go with you, God protect you, guide you safely through the wild!

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

The musical notation is arranged in four staves, each with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The parts alternate between the Celebrant and the People.

Staff 1: Celebrant (The Lord be with you.) People (And with thy spi - rit.)

Staff 2: Celebrant (Lift up your hearts.) People (We lift them up un - to the Lord.)

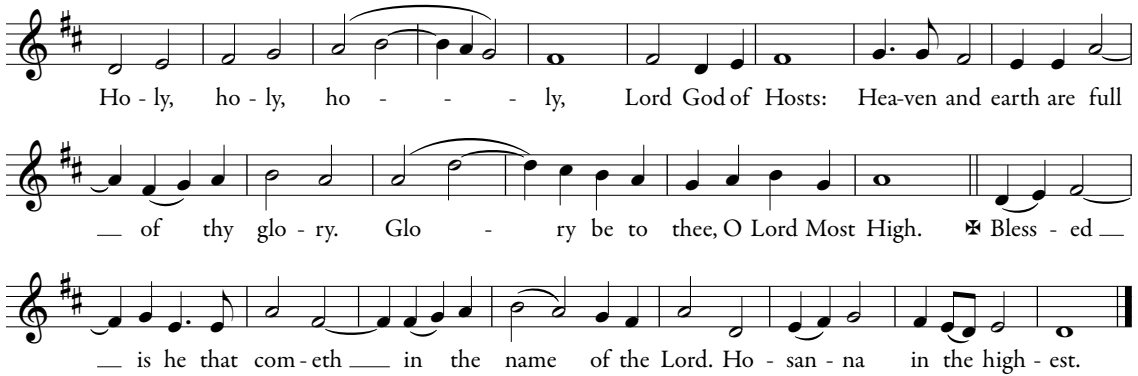
Staff 3: Celebrant (Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.)

Staff 4: 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: Hea-ven 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

Men

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

Women

mer-cy up - on us. O Lamb of God that ta-kest a - way the

All

sins of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, grant _____ us thy peace.

Motet

No small wonder

Paul Edwards (b. 1955)

SMALL wonder the star.
small wonder the light,
the angels in chorus,
the shepherds in fright;
but stable and manger for God -
no small wonder!

Small wonder the kings,
small wonder they bore
the gold and the incense,
the myrrh, to adore;
but God gives his life on a cross -
no small wonder!

Small wonder the love,
small wonder the grace,
the power, the glory,
the light of his face;
but all to redeem my poor heart -
no small wonder!

Paul Wigmore (1925–2014)

Hymn 104

A stable lamp is lighted

Andújar

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 105

God rest you merry, gentlemen

God Rest Your Merry

Organ Voluntary

Noël Suisse

Louis-Claude Daquin

Altar Arrangements

Are given to the glory of God...

in loving memory of


Eva Coe Lewis, Margaret & Perry Rayes, James L. Rayes; Gene Higginbotham and Wirt Jones; Glenn P. & J. Lanham Higginbotham Sr.; Ann & J. Lanham Higginbotham Jr.; David Brent Denman, W. Bryan Denman, Ruth Denman; Helen Gammon, Tom Cornell, Rex Witcher, Ruth Holberg; Lola & Frank Rayes; and Margaret Setliff, Virginia Savage *by Patrick Rayes*

My parents, William & Mary Herrera *by William L. Herrera*

Our parents, Gerrit & Carolyn Ohl *by Jeff, Greg, Sarabeth and Marilu*

in thanksgiving for

Linda Jones Rayes; Kelly & Carter Latham; Bruno Rayes; Rebecca & David Glover & Family; Joe P. Seewald Family; Dorothy, Katie Engstrom, Bill Herrera, Annabelle Catteral, Cathy Gammon, Connie & Jim Moore and Mary Jane Higginbotham; Marnie Rayes & Family; the clergy and staff of Church of the Incarnation and the Incarnation Choir and Music Staff; Zack, Jillian, Colin and Eva Marie Glover; and Megan & Nick nuptials *by Patrick Rayes*

A sepia-toned portrait of César Franck, an elderly man with a full white beard and hair, wearing a dark suit and tie, looking slightly to the left.

— *An Evening of Two Recitals* —

THE COMPLETE ORGAN WORKS OF CÉSAR FRANCK

— *performed by Scott Dettra* —

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8, 2022

Scott Dettra, kicks off a 16-city national tour of César Franck's complete organ works, played from memory in two recitals, to mark the bicentennial of the composer's birth. The recitals are free to attend and will be at 4:30 and 7:30 pm.

A catered French dinner and a lecture by SMU professor, Christopher Anderson, will be held in the Welcome Center between the recitals at a cost. For more information on registration for the dinner and lecture, please visit **INCARNATION.ORG/FRANCK**.

EPIPHANY NIGHT

SUNDAY,
JANUARY 9 AT 4 PM

Everyone is invited to Choral Evensong in the Church, followed by burning of the greens, blessing of chalk, and dinner in the Great Hall.





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SUNDAY, JANUARY 30 • 12:30 PM ED BLDG, ROOM 205

Come get to know the clergy and staff, learn more ways to get involved, and what membership at Incarnation means! Childcare & lunch provided with RSVP: [INCARNATION.ORG/101](https://www.incarnation.org/101)

WELCOME

Have any questions?

Visiting for the first time 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

Receive up-to-date announcements and information about upcoming events each week.
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WEEKLY READINGS

This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 941, Christmas 1.

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