



CHURCH *of the*  
**INCARNATION**

**The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany**

February 20, 2022

*Contemporary Service*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## SONG

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great redeemer's praise  
The glories of my God and King  
The triumphs of His grace  
My gracious master and my God  
Assist me to proclaim  
To spread through all the earth abroad  
The honors of Thy name

He breaks the power of canceled sin  
He sets the prisoner free  
His blood can make the foulest clean  
His blood availed for me  
He speaks and listening to His voice  
New life the dead receive  
The mournful broken hearts rejoice  
The humble poor believe

## *O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing*

Jesus the name that charms our fears  
That bids our sorrows cease  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears  
'Tis life and health and peace  
See all your sins on Jesus laid  
The Lamb of God was slain  
His soul was once an offering made  
For every soul in pain

Glory to God and praise and love  
Be ever, ever given  
By saints below and saints above  
The church in earth and heaven  
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The glories of my God and King  
The triumphs of His grace

## 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

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' Name  
Let angels prostrate fall  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race  
Ye ransomed from the fall  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all

## *All Hail The Power of Jesus Name*

Let every kindred, every tribe  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' Name  
Let angels prostrate fall  
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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O Lord, pray you, absolve your people from their offences; that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE LESSON

Isaiah 55:6–11

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and return not thither but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

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

## PSALM 85

Bring us back, oh God and savior  
Stem the tide of justice' rage  
Turn it back as Jordan river  
Turned before the ark of grace  
Nor let anger run forever  
Sweeping o'er us age to age

Save us from the flood of slaughter  
Loosed by our unrighteous deeds  
Draw us living from the waters  
Where we hide in mercy's reeds  
Bring us back as sons and daughters  
Wakened to compassion's needs

Bring us back, oh God  
Bring us back to You  
Bring us back, oh God  
Bring us back to You

Show us, Lord, your grace and mercy  
Flowing from salvation's spring  
Rain down justice for the thirsting  
Righteousness and endless stream  
As our hearts to you are turning  
Pour out rivers of your peace

Bring us back, oh God  
Bring us back to You  
Bring us back, oh God  
Bring us back to You

Truth and kindness, boundless oceans  
Wash the shores of every land  
Peace and justice, tides in motion  
Push us onward hand and hand  
To the feast of Christ's compassion  
And His kingdom without end

Bring us back, oh God  
Bring us back to You  
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## THE EPISTLE

Colossians 1:3–12

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love which you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—so among yourselves, from the day you heard and understood the grace of God in truth, as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf and has made known to us your love in the Spirit. And so, from the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

## SEQUENCE

*Let It Be So With Your Church*

As our Jesus in love touched the leper  
Offered grace when they'd cast a stone  
As he ate with the outcasts and sinners  
With his church, let it be so

Let it be so with your church, O God  
We are your hands and feet  
As Jesus bent low to serve in love  
So with us let it be, so with us let it be

As he preached the good news of the kingdom  
As he healed them both body and soul  
As he gave up his life for God's children  
With his church, let it be so

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 9:18–26

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

*People*      Glory to you, Lord Christ.

A ruler came in and knelt before Jesus, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. And behold, a woman who had suffered from a hemorrhage for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment; for she said to herself "If I only touch his garment, I shall be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. And when Jesus came to the ruler's house, and saw the flute players, and the crowd making a tumult, he said, "Depart; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. And the report of this went through all that district.

*Deacon*      The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*      Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## SEQUENCE

*Let It Be So With Your Church*

Let it be so with your church, O God  
We are your hands and feet  
As Jesus bent low to serve in love  
So with us let it be, so with us let it be

## SERMON

The Rev. Canon Victor Lee Austin, Ph.D.

## 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* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People* That we all may be one.

*Leader* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* That your Name may be glorified by all people.

*Leader* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People* That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

*Leader* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

*Leader* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People* That our works may find favor in your sight.

*Leader* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People* That they may be delivered from their distress.

*Leader* Give to the departed eternal rest.  
*People* Let light perpetual shine upon them.

*Leader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

*Leader* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*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**

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON (9 AM)**



## 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.

## OFFERTORY SONG

*What A Friend We Have In Jesus*

*The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

What a friend we have in Jesus  
All our sins and griefs to bear  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit  
Oh what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer

Have we trials and temptations  
Is there trouble anywhere  
Jesus, Savior, is our refuge  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Are we weak and heavy laden  
Cumbered with a load of care  
Jesus knows our every weakness  
Take it to the Lord in prayer

Oh, what a friend  
Oh, what a friend in Jesus  
Oh, what a friend  
Oh, what a friend in Jesus

Blessed Savior, You have promised  
All our burdens You will bear  
May we ever, Lord be bringing  
All to you in earnest prayer  
Soon, in glory bright unclouded  
Face to face will be our prayer  
Joyful praise and endless worship  
Will be our sweet portion there

Oh, what a friend  
Oh, what a friend in Jesus  
Oh, what a friend  
Oh, what a friend in Jesus

## 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

### *In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
What fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

## **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* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## THE QUEEN'S SIX CONCERT

TODAY • 4 PM **CHURCH**

The Queen's Six was established in 2008, the 450th anniversary of the accession of Queen Elizabeth I, from whom they take their name. Their repertoire spans centuries and this program features a wide range of music from the 16th century to arrangements of favorite hymns. Tickets are \$20-\$35 at [incarnation.org/Q6](http://incarnation.org/Q6).

## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER

TUESDAY, MARCH 1 • 6 PM **GREAT HALL**

Children & Family Ministry invites you to join us for our annual Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras Pancake Dinner to prepare for the season of Lent. \$10/person with discounts for kids. Come enjoy a night of great food, music, and fellowship!

## COMMUNITY WORSHIP YOUTH GROUP

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 • 5-7 PM

### EDUCATION BUILDING, YOUTH AREA

Students in grades 6-12, bring your friends and come join us for an evening of fun, food, and worship. We are so excited to have our Pilgrim Rest neighbors join us in March.

## STUDENT MINISTRY SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Students can sign up today to hold a spot for this incredible hands-on experience to minister to the local neighborhood, serve the church, and strengthen relationships while earning credits towards Beach Camp this summer on July 18-22! Orientation is June 5. Contact Drew Crowson at [dcrowson@incarnation.org](mailto:dcrowson@incarnation.org).

## GOOD BOOKS GOOD TALK: CHILDREN OF MEN

SUNDAY, MARCH 20 • 5 PM

### EDUCATION BUILDING, ROOM 205

*Children of Men* by P. D. James is an unusual book and is prescient. Written in 1992 and set in England of 2021, it depicts a world of infertility: no children at all have been born for some two decades. Without children, the state turns totalitarian, euthanasia becomes compulsory, and kittens are surreptitiously baptized—and yet, there is hope at the end. Read the book and join Fr. Victor Austin for discussion with the group.

## HAVE A HOLY LENT

Ash Wednesday marks the opening of the season of Lent. All services include the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. Marking our foreheads with ashes is a signal for us to humble our hearts and reminds us that life passes away on Earth. Join us for this solemn time of reflection as we prepare our hearts to remember Christ's death and celebrate the resurrection at Easter.



## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

*Services include Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion.*

<b>7 AM</b>	Traditional Service (Memorial Chapel)
<b>NOON</b>	Traditional Service (Church)
<b>5:30 PM</b>	History & Traditions Class (Memorial Chapel)
<b>6 PM</b>	Traditional Service (Church) Contemporary Service (Ascension Chapel)

## LENTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

SUNDAYS, MARCH 6–APRIL 10 • 10:20 AM

### EDUCATION BUILDING, ROOM 205

Join us for a parish-wide 6-week Lenten Sunday school class *Encountering Jesus in the Gospel of John* taught by the Rev. Dr. Wes Hill, Associate Professor of New Testament at Western Theological Seminary (Holland, MI).

## LENTEN QUIET PRAYER RETREAT

SATURDAY, MARCH 12 • 9 AM TO 4:30 PM

### ASCENSION CHAPEL/RITTENMEYER GALLERY

Learn to meditate on the Lord's Prayer through the practices of Benedictine Spirituality, especially Lectio Divina, to experience a more fruitful spiritual life. \$10, Lunch provided.

## INCARNATION.ORG/LENT

Visit the website to stay up to date on activities and offerings this Lent.

**EVENT INFO & REGISTRATION**  
**INCARNATION.ORG/EVENTS**

# 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.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY

Stop by the Education Building on Sunday morning to check out nursery care and classes for your children.



### NURSERY

8:45 am–12:30 pm

*Infants to Age 2*

### DISCIPLESHIP

9 & 11:15 am

*Pre-K to 2nd Grade*

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:20 am

- Godly Play! – *Pre-K to 1st Grade*
- First Communion – *2nd Grade*
- 3rd–5th Grade

## WEEKLY ENEWS

Receive announcements and up-to-date information about events each week. Sign up today at [incarnation.org/enews](http://incarnation.org/enews).



## WEEKLY READINGS

This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 949, Epiphany 7.



### VBS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

*Discovery on Adventure Island* Vacation Bible School kicks off on Sunday evening, June 12, with a family dinner, info packet pick-up, and elements from the first-day curriculum. Also, *VBS Max* is an elevated experience for kids who completed grades 3, 4, & 5 with special rotations and a separate opening and closing ceremony, among other fun throughout the week. Plus, there are plenty of engaging opportunities for adults to volunteer. Visit [incarnation.org/vbs](http://incarnation.org/vbs) for details and registration.

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