

# CHURCH of the

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 20, 2022 *Traditional Service* 

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

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

**Organ Voluntary** *Solemn Prelude* 

Edward Elgar (1857–1934)

Breslau

# The Entrance Rite

#### Introit: Oculi mei

MINE eyes are ever looking unto the Lord, for he shall pluck my feet out of the net: look upon me, and have mercy upon me, for I am desolate and in misery. *Ps.* Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul: my God, in thee have I trusted, let me never be confounded.

#### Hymn 471

We sing the praise of him who died

Celebrant	✤ Bless the Lord who forgive h all our sins.
People	His mercy endureth for ever.

#### The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity and Summary of the Law.

# Kyrie Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

#### The Collects

**W** E beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through 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.* 

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

#### **THE LESSONS**

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

D ALAAM rose in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab. But God's anger Dwas kindled because he went; and the angel of the LORD took his stand in the way as his adversary. Now he was riding on the ass, and his two servants were with him. And the ass saw the angel of the LORDstanding in the road, with a drawn sword in his hand; and the ass turned aside out of the road, and went into the field; and Balaam struck the ass, to turn her into the road. Then the angel of the LORD stood in a narrow path between the vineyards, with a wall on either side. And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she pushed against the wall, and pressed Balaam's foot against the wall; so he struck her again. Then the angel of the LORD went ahead, and stood in a narrow place, where there was no way to turn either to the right or to the left. When the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she lay down under Balaam; and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he struck the ass with his staff. Then the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you, that you have struck me these three times?" And Balaam said to the ass, "Because you have made sport of me. I wish I had a sword in my hand, for then I would kill you." And the ass said to Balaam, "Am I not your ass, upon which you have ridden all your life long to this day? Was I ever accustomed to do so to you?" And he said, "No." Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, with his drawn sword in his hand; and he bowed his head, and fell on his face.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PropleThanks be to God.

#### Psalm 9:13-20

AVE mercy upon me, O LORD; consider the trouble which I suffer of them that hate me,\* thou that liftest me up from the gates of death; That I may show all thy praises within the gates of the daughter of Sion: \* I will rejoice in thy salvation. The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made; \* in the same net which they hid privily is their foot taken. The LORD is known to execute judgment; \* the ungodly is trapped in the work of his own hands. The wicked shall be turned to destruction, \* and all the people that forget God. For the poor shall not alway be forgotten; \* the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever. Up, LORD, and let not man have the upper hand; \* let the heathen be judged in thy sight. Put them in fear, O LORD, \* that the heathen may know themselves to be but men.

Plainsong

Numbers 22:21-31

#### The Epistle

**B** imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But fornication and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is fitting among saints. Let there be no filthiness, nor silly talk, nor levity, which are not fitting; but instead let there be thanksgiving. Be sure of this, that no fornicator or impure man, or one who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for it is because of these things that the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them, for once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Hymn 21

People

O God of truth, O Lord of might

#### The Gospel

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.PeopleGlory be to thee, O Lord.

**T**ESUS was casting out a demon that was dumb; when the demon had gone out, the dumb man spoke, and the people marveled. But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the prince of demons"; while others, to test him, sought from him a sign from heaven. But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace; but when one stronger than he assails him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoil. He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters. "When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he passes through waterless places seeking rest; and finding none he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes he finds it swept and put in order. Then he goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first." As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

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

# THE SERMON

Father Oliver Lee

Luke 11:14-28

Song 34

# 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

DeaconIn the communion of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, let us commend<br/>ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.PeopleTo 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.

A LMIGHTY 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

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd 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 [at 9 am]

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

M song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me, Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be. O who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?

He came from his blest throne, salvation to bestow: But men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know. But O my friend; my friend indeed who at my need his life did spend!

Sometimes they strew his way, and his sweet praises sing; Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King. Then 'Crucify!' is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.

Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine; Never was love dear King, never was grief like thine! This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend. Amen.

Samuel Crossman (1624–1683)

#### Anthem [at 11:15 am]

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)

WASH me throughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin. For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me. Psalm 51:2, 3

#### Doxology

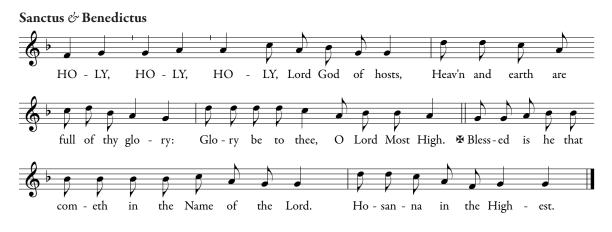
**P**RAISE God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**



#### The 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,



#### 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.

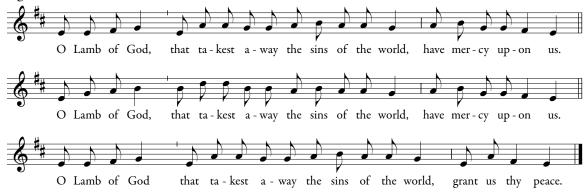
CelebrantChrist our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast.

#### People and Celebrant

W E 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** 



#### 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

Hymn 142

PECCANTEM me quotidie, et non me paenitentem, timor mortis conturbat me: Quia in inferno nulla est redemptio, miserere mei, Deus, et salva me.

Lord, who throughout these forty days

Cristóbal de Morales (c. 1500–1553)

While I am sinning every day, and yet do not repent, the fear of death overwhelms me. For in hell there is no redemption. Have mercy on me, God, and save me. Matins Responsory for the Office of the Dead

St. Flavian

# **CONCLUDING RITES**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY 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 bless the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Hymn 475 God himself is with us

**Organ Voluntary** *Prelude and Fugue in D minor*  Tysk

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

Altar Hrrangements

Are given to the glory of God ...

in loving memory of Dr. Andrew B. Small Jr.

Choral Evensong

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

Voluntary: *Toccata in D minor*, John Blow Responses: Ayelward Psalm 34: S. Dettra Canticles: *Evening Service in E minor*, Pelham Humfrey Anthem: *Salvator mundi*, John Blow

NOTES

# A New Story what story are you living in?

We continue A New Story sermon series and ask the question each week: What story are you living in? Today, we explore A New Story of Imitation with Scripture verses that deal with imitation in Numbers 22:21-31 and Ephesians 5:1-14.

#### LENTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

SUNDAYS THROUGH 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).

#### **INCARNATION.ORG/LENT**

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

#### **EASTER LILIES FOR OUR ALTAR**

This Easter, Incarnation will be adorned with beautiful lilies through your generous donations to remember and honor your loved ones. The deadline is March 28. **incarnation.org/lilies** 

# GOOD BOOKS GOOD TALK: CHILDREN OF MEN

TODAY • 5 PM ED BLDG, 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. Read the book and join Fr. Victor Austin for discussion with the group.

# **COMMUNITY WORSHIP YOUTH GROUP**

SUNDAY, MARCH 27 • 6 PM

**ED BLDG, YOUTH AREA (BASEMENT LEVEL)** Students in grades 6-12, bring your friends and come join Incarnation for an evening of fun, food, and worship. We look forward to sharing this special time with you! Please contact Donna Stack if you have any questions.

#### STATIONS IN THE STREET AND COMMUNITY FISH FRY

FRIDAY, APRIL 1 • 6 PM ALONG MCKINNEY AVE. AND NORTH LOT Join us for Stations in the Street in front of the church on McKinney Avenue followed by a Community Fish Fry at 6 pm in the North Lot.

# **INCARNATUS CONCERT**

SATURDAY, APRIL 2 • 7:30 PM **CHURCH** Incarnation's concert choir, Incarnatus, presents a program entitled "Mater Dolorosa," featuring three settings of the 13th-century hymn Stabat Mater.

# LENTEN LECTURE AND RECEPTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 10 • 5 PM

ASCENSION CHAPEL & RITTENMEYER GALLERY As we approach the events of Holy Week, this lecture titled "The Gift That Surprises: The Grace of God in the Letters of Paul" by the Rev. Dr. Wes Hill will explain why Paul's teaching on grace was disturbingly provocative in his own context and how it can once more grip us as we hear the apostle preach the good news of God's free gift in the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ today. A wine and cheese reception in Rittenmeyer Gallery to follow the lecture.

# 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.

# **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. There are plenty of engaging opportunities for adults to volunteer. Visit **incarnation.org/vbs** for details and registration.

> 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 moring to check out nursery care and classes for your children.



NURSERY

#### DISCIPLESHIP

8:45 am-12:30 pm Infants to Age 2

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.



This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 955, Lent 3.





#### SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 8 AM TO 4 PM

Sign up today for landscaping, construction, painting, fine arts, or community service projects and find meaningful service at this annual event. Registration closes March 25.

Childcare *will be* provided this year for ages 1-5 years old. Grade school students (K-5th) must work with a parent in 'Community Service Projects' and must be registered. After signing yourself up, please go back and register your child(ren). Visit incarnation.org/dos for details and registration.

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