



CHURCH *of the*  
**INCARNATION**

**The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

September 26, 2021

*Contemporary Service*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## SONG

*Man of Sorrows*

Man of sorrows what a name  
For the Son of God, who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude  
In my place condemned he stood  
Sealed my pardon with his blood  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

He was lifted up to die  
"It is finished" was his cry  
Now in heaven exalted high  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King  
All his ransomed home to bring  
Then anew this song we'll sing  
Hallelujah, what a Savior!

## 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**

Glory to God in the highest  
And peace to his people on earth  
Lord God, heavenly King  
Almighty God and Father  
We worship you, we give you thanks  
We praise you for your glory

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father  
Lord God, Lamb of God  
You take away the sin of the world  
Have mercy on us  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father  
Receive our prayer

For you alone are the Holy One  
You alone are the Lord  
You alone are the Most High  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit  
In the glory of God the Father  
Amen

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with your spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always go before and follow after us and make us continually committed to all good works, 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 25:6–14

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of the prince. What your eyes have seen do not hastily bring into court; for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not disclose another's secret; lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end. A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear. Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him, he refreshes the spirit of his masters. Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

*Psalm 33*

*Chorus*        Praise the lord shout for joy  
For the word of the lord is true  
Praise the lord shout for joy  
You are faithful in all you do

By the breath from his mouth the heavens came to be  
Starry hosts came the same and the depths of the sea  
Let all the earth fear the lord let the people revere  
For he spoke and it was done all of his commands adhere (*Chorus*)

The intent of his heart for each generation  
Is to bless his inheritance the family of the chosen  
We wait in hope for the lord of death we're not afraid  
His name our deliverance and our hearts celebrate (*Chorus*)

## THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:1–6

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## SEQUENCE

*Open Thou Mine Eyes*

Open Thou mine eyes and I shall see  
Incline my heart and I shall desire  
Order my step and I shall walk  
In the ways of Thy commandments

## GOSPEL

Luke 14:1–11

*Deacon*     ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.  
*People*     Glory to you, Lord Christ.

One sabbath when Jesus went to dine at the house of a ruler who belonged to the Pharisees, they were watching him. And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. And Jesus spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath, or not?" But they were silent. Then he took him and healed him, and let him go. And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well, will not immediately pull him out on a sabbath day?" And they could not reply to this. Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he marked how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, "When you are invited by any one to a marriage feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest a more eminent man than you be invited by him; and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give place to this man,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, go up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

*Deacon*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*     Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## SERMON

The Rev. Canon Esau McCaulley, PhD

## 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)

Michelle Whatley

### OFFERTORY SONG

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

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

How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

Behold the man upon the cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

Yes, this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom



## 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

*Hungry / We Fall Down*

*Verse* Hungry I come to You for I know You satisfy  
I am empty but I know Your love does not run dry  
So I wait for You, so I wait for You

*Chorus A* I'm falling on my knees  
Offering all of me  
Jesus, You're all this heart is living for

*Verse* Broken I run to You for Your arms are open wide  
I am weary but I know Your love does not run dry  
So I wait for You, so I wait for You

*Chorus B* We cry holy, holy, holy  
We cry holy, holy, holy  
We cry holy, holy, holy is the lamb

*Verse* We fall down we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus  
The greatness of mercy and love at the feet of Jesus

## 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.

# ON THE CALENDAR

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

SUNDAYS • 10:20 AM

**Reading While Black** – Join Fr. Joe Dewey to study Esau McCaulley's book and discuss its implications for our reading of Scripture and training in righteousness.

**Parenting Class** – Whether your family has found its groove or you are struggling to keep up, all parents from all stages are welcome.

**Deep Roots: Worship** – A pre-requisite for adult baptism or confirmation, this class covers the Nicene Creed, salvation, sacraments, liturgy, and the church calendar.

## FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

WEDNESDAYS • 7 PM **ED BLDG, ROOM 205**

This popular course from radio host and author, Dave Ramsey, teaches people to become financially literate, eliminate debt, control spending, and build wealth for today and the future. Register at [fpu.com/1139392](http://fpu.com/1139392).

## MOURNER'S PATH GRIEF SUPPORT

BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 • 5:30 PM **CHURCH**

Our weekly sessions help participants transform their grief into joyful living. This workshop has proved to be a gentle, healing experience for many. Contact Deacon Judy Frizzell at 214-217-5619 for details.

## INCLINGS

BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 • 2 PM

**ED BLDG, ROOM 115/116**

INClings is a study group centered on the works of C. S. Lewis, J. R. R. Tolkien, and other Inklings' writers and friends such as Dorothy L. Sayers and Charles Williams.

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2 • 10 AM **CLOISTER GARDEN**

Bring your furry, feathered, or scaly pets to the Main Campus Cloister Garden for our annual Blessing of the Animals, celebrating St. Francis of Assisi Day.

## INCARNATUS IN CONCERT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2 • 7:30 PM **CHURCH**

Incarnatus returns with a program titled There and Back Again featuring music of Bach, Brahms, Davies, Duruflé, Stravinsky, and Parry.

## BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR PARENTS

SUNDAYS, OCTOBER 3-24 • 10:20 AM

**EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM**

4-week class for parents who wish to baptize their child(ren). Godparents are required to attend the first three classes.

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](http://incarnation.org/enews).



## WEEKLY READINGS

This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 986, Proper 21.

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