

CHURCH of the INCARNATION

The Third Sunday in Lent
March 7, 2021
Traditional Service

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Due to ongoing restrictions on congregational singing, the choir alone will offer all sung portions of today's liturgy.

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

Musical Setting at 11:15 am: Collegium Regale, by Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Organ Voluntary

Psalm Prelude, Set 2, No. 1

Herbert Howells

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

Breslau

Celebrant ▶ Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People His mercy endureth for ever.

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

Kyrie

Spoken at 7:30 and 9:00, and sung by the choir at 11:15.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People Christ, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collects

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

We 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]

Numbers 22:21-31

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 LORD standing 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 9:13-20 Tone VI

HAVE 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.

The Epistle Ephesians 5:1–14

Be 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.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 21

O God of truth, O Lord of might

Song 34

The Gospel

Luke 11:14–28

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

TESUS 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!"

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

THE SERMON

People

Father Chase Skorburg

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 and of 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

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)

AST me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.
The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart thou wilt not despise, O God.
Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

from Psalm 51

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto 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

Spoken at 7:30 and 9:00, and sung by the choir at 11:15.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

▶ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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 Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

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 Spoken at 7:30 and 9:00, and sung by the choir at 11:15.

Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People have mercy upon us.

Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People have mercy upon us.

Celebrant O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People grant us thy peace.

Please remain kneeling. Holy Communion will be brought to you in your pew.

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, 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. If you do not wish to receive Communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.

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

For those watching at home who are unable to make their Communion today:

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me; blood of Christ, inebriate me; water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me; o good Jesus, hear me; within thy wounds hide me; suffer me not to be separated from thee; from the malicious enemy defend me; in the hour of my death call me, and bid me come to thee. That with thy saints I may praise thee for ever and ever. Amen.

Motet S.S. Wesley

THOU wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee.
The darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day.
The darkness and the light to thee are both alike.
God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.
O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee,
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for evermore.

Isaiah 26:3; Psalm 139:1; 1 John 1:5; Psalm 119:175

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 bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 475

God himself is with us

Tysk

Organ Voluntary

Rhapsody No. 3 in C-sharp Minor

Herbert Howells

*A*ltar *Hrr*angements

Are given to the glory of God...

in loving memory of Mary Adaline Allen and Julie Haltom Lord; in thanksgiving for Sarah Margaret Small

Choral Evensong

Webcast and in-person at 5 pm | This evening's music will be:

Voluntary: Air, Gerre Hancock

Responses: Morley Psalm 34: S. Dettra

Canticles: Evening Service in E, Gerre Hancock Anthem: Civitas sancti tui, William Byrd

Voluntary: Improvisation on 'St. Clement', Gerre Hancock

ON THE CALENDAR

MY NEXT 90

LENT AND FASTERTIDE

Begin a spiritual discipline this Lent to read essential passages from the Bible. Sign up to receive the daily readings and devotionals at incarnation.org/mynext90.

HANNAH

TODAY • 4 PM ONLINE VIA ZOOM

This is an open discussion for women and couples experiencing infertility, miscarriage, or infant loss. Meets every other Sunday.

CHURCH IN THE LOT

SUNDAY, MARCH 14 • 10:30 AM NORTH LOT

Join us for an outdoor family-friendly worship service at the Main Campus North Parking Lot with communion and singing. This 30-minute service is accessible to families, but all ages and stages are welcome.

LECTURE: THE LONG GAME OF FRIENDSHIP

SUNDAY, MARCH 14 • 6 PM

Join Fr. Victor Austin's lecture that makes the biblical case that being fully human is to be able to live with others as friends. It is a "long game" because it is the primary characteristic of life in the world to come.

DISCIPLESHIP: JOURNEYING WITH JESUS

SUNDAY, MARCH 21 • 9 AM & 11:15 AM

DiscipleShip is a fun and engaging 30-minute children's program that teaches the Bible through liturgy, story and activities, and shares how we can all grow up to be like Jesus!

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SUNDAY, MARCH 28

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WEEKLY READINGS

This week's readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 954, 3 Lent.

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PRAYER REQUESTS -

INCARNATION IS A PRAYING CHURCH.

WE WOULD ENJOY THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRAY WITH YOU OR FOR YOU. OUR STAFF WILL CONFIDENTIALLY PRAY FOR YOUR REQUEST THIS WEEK.

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