

CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

Episcopal/Anglican

Landmark Building, Living Faith

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 28, 2024

Morning Prayer at 11:00 a.m.

Our worship is according to *The Book of Common Prayer*. This leaflet contains everything you will need to participate actively. Hymn numbers refer to *The Hymnal 1982*, found in your pew, and those preceded with **S** are pieces of service music located at the front of the Hymnal.

PRELUDE

Schmücke dich, o Liebe Seele, BWV 654

Bach

GREETINGS

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

INTROIT

O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord

Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name; from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just, and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known: Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne.

HYMN 616 All stand.

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

OPENING SENTENCES

Officiant

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

I will give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the

earth.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

All kneel or sit. Silence may be kept.

All

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most

merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Officiant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true

repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER All stand.

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Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant The Lord hath manifested forth his glory: O come, let us adore him.

People O come, let us adore him.

The congregation may be seated.

JUBILATE sung by the choir

Morning Services in C op. 115

Stanford

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:

serve the Lord with gladness,

and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:

it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,

and into his courts with praise:

be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious,

his mercy is everlasting:

and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

PSALM 111 sung by the choir

Massey

- 1 Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 Great are the deeds of the Lord! they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; holy and awesome is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

At the reading of the first lesson, children ages 3 to 9 (pre-K through 4th grade) are invited to gather at the entrance of the church to meet their teacher for Sunday School in the Parish House. Parents of children attending for the first time are asked to accompany them. The children will return before the end of worship.

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

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

BENEDICTUS sung by the choir

Morning Service in C op. 115

Stanford

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he hath visited and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us

in the house of his servant David,

As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets,

which have been since the world began:

That we should be saved from our enemies,

and from the hands of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers,

and to remember his holy covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham,

that he would give us,

That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies

might serve him without fear,

In holiness before him,

all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest,

for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people

for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God,

whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

SECOND LESSON Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

HYMN 339 All stand. Schmücke dich

SERMON The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

APOSTLES' CREED All stand and face the high altar.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you. **People** And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

All kneel or sit.

All 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.

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; S 22

People And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

People And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People For only in thee can we live in safety.

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant Let thy way be known upon earth;

People Thy saving health among all nations.

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

THE COLLECTS

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and in our time grant us thy peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

O God, the King eternal, who dividest the day from the night and turnest the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep thy law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done thy will with cheerfulness while it was day, we may, when the night cometh, rejoice to give thee thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

God of all comfort who gives life and health, we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to hold and heal all who are sick or suffering, including the people of Ukraine, victims of war and political violence in the Holy Land, those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in silence or aloud.

The People may add their own names and petitions in silence or aloud.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Yo-Soon Lee and Christopher Gimbel, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies;

we thine unworthy servants

do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness

to us and to all people.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation,

and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for thine inestimable love

in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,

for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we beseech thee,

give us that due sense of all thy mercies,

that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE GRACE

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be

with us all evermore. Amen.

THE PEACE All stand.

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

COMMISSIONING OF THE 2024 VESTRY

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

The Ushers receive the collection from the congregation. We invite your offering for the support of the Church's mission in the world, and in thanksgiving for all that God has provided. To make a one-time or recurring gift online, please visit /donate or scan the QR code below. Thank you for your generosity.



ANTHEM Eternal God Shephard

Eternal God, the light of the minds that know you; Eternal God, the joy of the hearts that love you; Eternal God, the strength of the wills that love you. Grant us so to know you, that we may truly trust you. Grant us so to love you, that we may freely serve you to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

DOXOLOGY sung by all, standing

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Officiant The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge

and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the

Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

HYMN 535 Paderborn

DISMISSAL

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Toccata Francais Young

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish House following the organ postlude.

For those interested in a brief tour of the church's art and architecture, please meet one of our volunteer tour guides at the Chapel of the Resurrection near the back of the church.

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser, Rector
The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee, Associate Rector
The Rev. Denise LaVetty, Deacon
Dr. Thomas M. Reefer, Director of Music
Dr. Uche Akwuba II, Master of Ceremonies
Oseloka Chira, Head Usher
John Robert Motato and Ameer Abdul-Maajid, Sextons

Kendall Pron and Linda Gossett, Ushers
Edmund Harrison and Jane Barron, Lay Readers
Callaway Dannhauser and Madelina Defex, Acolytes
Jedd Katrancha, Sunday School Teacher
Melissa Gordon, Tour Guide
Maria Ju, Door Greeter
Jane Barron, Coffee Hour Host

Your prayers are requested for members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble: Tom, Leonor, Lou, Harris, Veronica, Steven, Stacey, Ryan, Frank, Joan, Roger, Nadia, Mihail, Susan, Padmini, Juliana, Jennifer, Marcey, Marika, Ruth, Stephanie, Lorelei, Geoffrey, Brian, Bryce, Jaquelyn, Jane, Garrett, Connie, Joseph, Josephine, Shagdar, Arthur, David, Michele, Ann, Julie, Jeanne, Patrick, Dianne, Dawn, Christopher, Bartley, Camden, Josh, Mary, Donnamarie, Natalia, Berta, Helen, Megan, Eduardo, Mike, Maria, Edwin, Henry, Gilberto, Lucille, Heidi, William, Penny, Travis, George, Peter, Gia, Pi-Hui, Granville, Polly, Andrew, Margaret, Wayne, Tom, Matthew, Dee, Pamela, Robert, Corinne, Bill, Annette, Bernard, Kathy, Barbara, Yolanda, Ellen and Jerome.

To add a name to the prayer list, call the church or email the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser at adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org.

The Church of the Incarnation, grounded in living faith and inspired by the beauty of our landmark building, seeks to engage the community though vibrant and varied worship, loving and practical service to others, and intellectual exploration, with a warm and open Christian welcome in the heart of New York City.

If you wish to learn more about our parish community and/or receive our weekly e-minder with spiritual reflections, upcoming events, and church news, please fill out the yellow "Connect Card" in your pew and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

HOW DO I JOIN?

There are three ways to become a member of Church of the Incarnation:

- You may be baptized at Incarnation.
- If you have been baptized in another Christian denomination, you may be Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church at our yearly Bishop's visitation to Incarnation. The next visitation will be Confirmation Sunday, March 17.
- If you have already been Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church by a Bishop, you may transfer you letter of membership from another Episcopal parish. (We'll take care of the paperwork!)

For an in-depth exploration of the Christian faith as experienced in the Episcopal tradition, you can take our spring class, *The Heart of Christianity: On Falling in Love with God*, described in today's announcement insert. This class is also preparation for Baptism or Confirmation/Reception.

Contact the Rev. Dr. Nate Lee at <u>nlee@churchoftheincarnation.org</u> for more information.

EVERY WEEK AT INCARNATION

Sunday Bible Study: Bible Study is held in the Parish House from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m.

<u>Sunday School and Nursery Care for Children:</u> During the 11:00 a.m. service, children ages 3 to 9 (pre-K through 4th grade) depart the service with their teacher for Sunday School in the Parish House. Nursery care is provided in the Parish House from 10:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Learn more about Family Ministries at Incarnation, including offerings for older children, on the church website.

<u>Wednesday Holy Eucharist:</u> Join us each Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. for this Rite I spoken service of Holy Eucharist, which includes a brief homily, organ music, and healing prayer with holy oil.

Thursday Candlelight Communion: Join us each Thursday at 6:15 p.m. for Candlelight Communion, a service of Holy Eucharist that incorporates chant and silence as well as elements of contemporary worship. This service is informal and contemplative, with music led by a Cantor and a brief reflection by one of the clergy. You can also stream this service at youtube.com/churchoftheincarnation.

<u>Daily Office:</u> Services of Morning Prayer and Compline are held via Zoom. To view the weekly schedule, go to <u>churchoftheincarnation.org/worship.</u>

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