



CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

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THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY The Feast of the Transfiguration

February 11, 2024

Holy Eucharist 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 Adagio, op. 65, no. 1 Mendelssohn

GREETINGS The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

INTROIT Lift Thine Eyes to the Mountains, from *Elijah* Mendelssohn

Lift thine eyes, O lift thine to the mountains, whence cometh help.
Thy help cometh from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.
He hath said thy foot shall not be moved.
Thy Keeper will never slumber.

HYMN 618 *All* Lasst uns erfreuen

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *sung by all* S 202

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
 For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
 thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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

O God, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *All sit.*

2 Kings 2:1-12

When the congregation sits, 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.

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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

PSALM 50:1-6 *sung by the choir*

Battishill

1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.
 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.

4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgment of his people.

5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge.

SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 129 *All stand.*

Mowsley

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-20

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

NICENE CREED *All stand and face the high altar.*

All **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 the 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; through him all things were made; who for us 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 in 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *All sit or kneel.*

- Deacon* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
- Leader* For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**
- Leader* For this community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**
- Leader* For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**
- Leader* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble, especially the people of Ukraine and victims of war and political violence in the Holy Land;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**
- Leader* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**
- Leader* For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Matthew, Allen, and Mary, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**
- Leader* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those on our parish prayer list.
The People may add their own names and petitions in silence or aloud.
- Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**
- Leader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
The People may add their own thanksgivings in silence or aloud.
- Leader* We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**
- Leader* We pray for all who have died.
The People may add their own names in silence or aloud.
- Leader* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**
- Celebrant* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

- Deacon* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
A period of silent reflection is kept.
- All* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the Glory of thy Name. Amen.**
- Celebrant* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

THE PEACE *All stand.*

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 and then are seated.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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 churchoftheincarnation.org/donate or scan the QR code below. Thank you for your generosity.



ANTHEM

O Nata Lux

Stanford, arr. Lewis

O nata lux de lumine, Jesu redemptor saeculi, laudes precesque sumere. Qui carne quondam con-tegi dignatus es pro perditis nos membra confer ef-fici, Tui beati corporis.

O Light born of Light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, accept our praises and prayers. O you who once deigned to be hid-den in flesh on behalf of the lost, grant us to be made mem-bers of your blessed body.

HYMN 380 (stanza 3) *All stand.*

Old 100th

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 *sung by all*

S 114

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.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION *All sit or kneel.*

Prayer Book, p. 341

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him.... By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

AGNUS DEI *sung by all*

S 158

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
 O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
 O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Holy Eucharist is the meal that has traditionally nourished the baptized in their life of faith. You may take the bread in your hands and then take a sip of wine from the chalice, guiding the chalice bearer's hand to bring the chalice to your lips. Or you may intinct (dip the wafer into the wine). If you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, simply fold your arms across your chest. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, fold your hands downward.

ANTHEM

God Be in My Head

Mabry

God be in my head and in my understanding.
 God be in my eyes and in my looking.
 God be in my mouth and in my speaking.
 God be in my heart, and in my thinking.
 God be at my end, and at my departing.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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.

BLESSING

Celebrant 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 *All stand.*

Dulce Carmen

1 Alleluia, song of gladness,
voice of joy that cannot die;
alleluia is the anthem
ever raised by choirs on high;
in the house of God abiding
thus they sing eternally.

2 Alleluia thou resoundest,
true Jerusalem and free;
alleluia, joyful mother,
all thy children sing with thee;
but by Babylon's sad waters
mourning exiles now are we.

3 Alleluia though we cherish
and would chant for evermore
alleluia in our singing,
let us for a while give o'er,
as our Savior in his fasting
pleasures of the world forbore.

4 Therefore in our hymns we pray thee,
grant us, blessed Trinity,
at the last to keep thine Easter
with thy faithful saints on high;
there to thee for ever singing
alleluia joyfully.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. al
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Lasst uns erfreuen

All are welcome to Coffee Hour in the Parish House, next door to the church.

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser, *Rector*
The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee, *Associate Rector*
The Rev. Denise LaVetty, *Deacon*
The Rev. Canon George W. Brandt, *Honorary Assistant*
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*

Linda Gossett, *Altar Guild*
Oseloka Chira and Jacquelyn Carson, *Ushers*
Kate Edmonds and Christopher Strome, *Lay Readers*
Valentina Ju and Olivia Saraceni, *Acolytes*
Madeleine Saraceni, *Sunday School Teacher*
Oseloka Chira, *Vestry Greeter*
Maria Ju, *Door Greeter*
Vicky LeBlanc and Anne Tong, *Coffee Hour Hosts*

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, 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 through 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.

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 your 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 nlee@churchoftheincarnation.org 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.

Sunday School and Nursery Care for Children: 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.

Wednesday Holy Eucharist: 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](https://www.youtube.com/churchoftheincarnation).

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