



CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

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THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 24, 2025

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* and *Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS)*, found in your pew, and those preceded with S are pieces of service music located at the front of *The Hymnal 1982*.

PRELUDE

HONORARY ASSISTANT'S GREETINGS

The Rev. J. Gregory Morgan

INTROIT

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Burleigh

When I was a learner,
I sought both night and day,
I ask the Lord to help me
An' He show me the way.

Refrain: Go tell it on the mountain;
Over the hills an'ev'ry where
Go tell it on the mountain,
Our Jesus Christ is born.

Shepherds kept their watching;
O'er wand'ring flock by night;

Behold! From out the heavens,
There shone a holy light. Go tell it...

He made me a watchman;
Upon the city wall,
An' if I am a Christian;
I am the least of all. Go tell it...

And lo! When they had seen it
They all bowed down and prayed;
Then travel'd on together,
To where the Babe was laid; Go tell it...

HYMN 493 *All stand.*

Azmon

OPENING SENTENCES

Officiant Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.
I was glad when they said unto me, "We will go into the house of the Lord."

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.*

S 1

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.**

VENITE *sung by all*

S 2

O come, let us sing unto the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are all the corners of the earth,
and the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his, and he made it,
and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down,
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is the Lord our God,
and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth,
and with righteousness to judge the world
and the peoples with his truth.

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.

PSALM 71:1-6 *read responsively*

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.

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.**

FIRST LESSON *All sit.*

Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

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

BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE

S 236

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

SECOND LESSON

Luke 13:10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

HYMN 699 *All stand.*

Aberystwyth

SERMON

The Rev. J. Gregory Morgan

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;

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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

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church, being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may
 manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and
 reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father of all mercies and God of all comfort, 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 in the Middle East, those forced to flee their native countries because of persecution and violence, 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, 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.

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, text “Madison209” to 73256, or scan the QR code below. Thank you for your generosity.



SOLO

Crucifixus

Puccini

Crucifixus etiam pro nobis:
Sub Pontio Pilato,
Passus et sepultus est.

He was crucified for us
Under Pontius Pilate,
Suffered, died, and was buried.

DOXOLOGY *sung by all, standing*

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.

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 624 *All stand.*

Ewing

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish House following the postlude. Visitors are invited to pick up a welcome bag at the back of the church. 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 Ven. Denise LaVetty, *Archdeacon*
The Rev. Canon George W. Brandt, *Honorary Assistant*
The Rev. J. Gregory Morgan, *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*

Christopher Strome and Sondra Carter, *Ushers*

Christopher Strome and Sondra Carter, *Lay Readers*
Brad Donnell, *Crucifer*
Christopher Strome, *Coffee Hour Host*
Maria Ju, *Parish House Door Greeter*

If you would like to donate Altar Flowers in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special occasion, email the Rev. J. Gregory Morgan at johnmorganster@gmail.com. The following upcoming Sundays are available: August 31 and September. The requested contribution is \$90.

Your prayers are requested for members and friends of the parish who are sick, sorrowful, or in any kind of trouble: Tom, Leonor, Harris, Veronica, Steven, Stacey, Ryan, Joan, Nadia, Padmini, Juliana, Jennifer, Marcey, Marika, Susan, Ruth, Stephanie, Lorelei, Brian, Bryce, Jaquelyn, Jane, Joseph, Josephine, Shagdar Family, Ann, Julie, Jeanne, Patrick, Dianne, Dawn, Bartley, Mary, Natalia, Berta, Megan, Eduardo, Mike, Maria, Edwin, Henry, Gilberto, William, Peter, Granville, Andrew, Tom, Dee, Pamela, Corinne, Bill, Annette, Kathy, Carmela, Savannah Rose, Alair, Kevin, Wendy, Deirdre, Donovan, Drew, Ellen, David, Yao, Jane, Lillian, Bruno, Tim, Augie, Ana, Sixto, Sandy, Lee, Sue, Kelly, Mary, Michael, Danielle, Doris, Judyie, Cesar, Michell, Susan, Pam, Heidi, Frank, Irene, Monica, Luis, James, Robert, Rick, and Allen.

To add a name to the parish prayer list, call the church or email the Rev. J. Gregory Morgan at johnmorganster@gmail.com

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.

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 worshipping with us today.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Incarnation's program year runs from mid-September through early June. This means that our Sunday morning Bible Study, Children's classes, and certain other ministries go on hiatus for the summer. The Incarnation Choir also takes a break, and we enjoy individual soloists at the principal Sunday service. The 2025-2026 program year will start on Homecoming Sunday, September 7, the first Sunday after Labor Day.

WEEKDAY WORSHIP AT INCARNATION

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 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.

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

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