



CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

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THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 14, 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

RECTOR'S GREETINGS

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

INTROIT

Thou Knowest, Lord, the Secrets of Our Hearts

Purcell

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not Thy merciful ear unto our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and

most merciful Savior, Thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

HYMN 410 *All stand.*

Lauda Anima

OPENING SENTENCES

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

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Asst. Priest 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.**

JUBILATE *sung by all*

S 13



- 1 O be joyful in the 'Lord all ye 'lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his 'presence with a 'song. [Ant.]
 - 2 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us and not 'we our 'selves; *
we are his 'people and the 'sheep of his 'pasture. [Ant.]
 - 3 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. [Ant.]
 - 4 For the Lord is gracious;
his mercy is 'ever 'lasting; *
and his truth endureth from gener'ation to 'gener'ation. [Ant.]
- (Gloria Patri may be added)*
- Glory to the Father, and 'to the 'Son, *
and 'to the 'Holy 'Spirit:
As it was in the be'ginning, is 'now, *
and 'will be for 'ever. A 'men. [Ant.]

Music: Henry Aldrich (1647-1710).

PSALM 14 *read responsively*

1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.

2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.

3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; there is none who does good; no, not one.

4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?

5 See how they tremble with fear, because God is in the company of the righteous.

6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge.

7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

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.*

1 Timothy 1:12-17

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.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

BENEDICTUS, DOMINE DEUS *sung by the choir* Morning Service in G, op. 81

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 hands of our enemies
might serve him without fear,
In holiness and righteousness 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

Luke 15:1-10

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

HYMN 448 *All stand.*

Deus Tuorum Militum

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

Asst. Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Asst. Priest 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.

<i>Asst. Priest</i>	O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;	S 22
People	And grant us thy salvation.	
<i>Asst. Priest</i>	Endue thy ministers with righteousness;	
People	And make thy chosen people joyful.	
<i>Asst. Priest</i>	Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;	
People	For only in thee can we live in safety.	
<i>Asst. Priest</i>	Lord, keep this nation under thy care;	
People	And guide us in the way of justice and truth.	
<i>Asst. Priest</i>	Let thy way be known upon earth;	
People	Thy saving health among all nations.	
<i>Asst. Priest</i>	Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;	
People	Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.	
<i>Asst. Priest</i>	Create in us clean hearts, O God;	
People	And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.	

THE COLLECTS

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **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.**

O God, thou hast taught us through thy blessed Son that whoever receives a little child in the name of Christ receives Christ himself: We give thanks for the birth of Sara Magdalena Reefer, granddaughter of Music Director Thomas Reefer and the Rev. John Gregory Morgan. Confirm their joy by a lively sense of thy presence with them, and give their family calm strength and patient wisdom as they seek to bring this child to love all that is true and noble, just and pure, lovable and gracious, excellent and admirable, following the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. **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 victims of war, 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, especially John Dwight Evans, Jr. and Charlie Kirk, 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

<i>All</i>	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.



ANTHEM

The Gate of the Year

Shepherd

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year: "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown." And he replied: "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be

to you better than light and safer than a known way." So I went forth, and finding the Hand of God, trod gladly into the night. And He led me towards the hills and the breaking of day in the lone East.

DOXOLOGY *sung by all, standing*

Old 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly 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 God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 470 *All stand.*

Beecher

DISMISSAL

Asst. Priest 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.

The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser, *Rector*
 The Ven. Denise LaVetty, *Archdeacon*
 The Rev. Canon George W. Brandt, *Honorary Assistant Priest*
 The Rev. J. Gregory Morgan, *Honorary Assistant Priest*
 Dr. Thomas M. Reefer, *Director of Music*
 Wesley Chinn, *Assistant Director of Music*
 Dr. Uche Akwuba II, *Master of Ceremonies*
 Oseloka Chira, *Head Usher*
 John Robert Motato and Ameer Abdul-Maajid, *Sextons*

Sondra Carter and Stan Bian, *Ushers*
 Judy Veneroso and Sondra Carter, *Lay Readers*
 Valentina Ju and Tully Katrancha, *Acolytes*
 Amanda Bell, *Sunday School Teacher*
 Anne Tong, *Coffee Hour Host*
 Maria Ju, *Parish House Door Greeter*

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God, in thanksgiving for the birth of Sara Magdalena Reefer, and in loving memory of John Dwight Evans, Jr.

If you would like to donate Altar Flowers in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special occasion, email the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser at adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org. The following upcoming Sundays are available: October 5, 19, and 26. 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, the Shagdar Family, Ann, Julie, Jeanne, Patrick, Dianne, Dawn, Bartley, Mary, Natalia, 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, Jane, Lillian, Bruno, Tim, Augie,

Ana, Sixto, Sandy, Lee, Sue, Kelly, Mary, Michael, Danielle, Doris, Judyie, Cesar, Michell, Susan, Pam, Heidi, Frank, Monica, Luis, James, Robert, Rick, Allen, Barbara and Leslie.

To add a name to the parish prayer list, call the church or email the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser.

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.

EVERY WEEK AT INCARNATION

Sunday Bible Study: Bible Study is held in the Parish House from 10:00 to 10:40 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. The nursery, also located in the Parish House, is available to parents and little ones at any time throughout the service. 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](https://www.churchoftheincarnation.org/worship).

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