



# CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

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## THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 8, 2026

### Morning Prayer at 11:00 a.m.

Our worship is according to *The Book of Common Prayer*. The 11:00 a.m. service is a celebration of Holy Eucharist on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month, as well as major feast days. The second and fourth Sundays generally offer a service of Morning Prayer. Both Holy Eucharist and Morning Prayer follow “Rite I” in *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

Sing We Merrily

Batten

Sing we merrily unto God our strength: make a  
cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the song,  
bring hither the tablet: the merry harp with the lute.  
Blow up the trumpet in the new moon: e'en in the time

appointed. And upon our solemn feast day. For this  
was made a statute for Israel: and a law of the God of  
Jacob.

### HYMN 126 *All stand.*

Dundee

### 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

*Deacon* 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 27:1, 5-13 *read responsively*

1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in his commandments!

**2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last for ever.

**4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

5 It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

**6 For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.

**8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

9 They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.

**10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

*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.*

Isaiah 58:1-12

*At the reading of the first lesson, children ages 3 to 9 (pre-K through 4<sup>th</sup> 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.*

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord?

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

*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

Matthew 5:13-20

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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

HYMN 488 *All stand.*

Slane

SERMON

Archdeacon Denise LaVetty

APOSTLES' CREED *All stand and face the high altar.*

Nettleton

## THE PRAYERS

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Deacon* 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.**

*Deacon* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

*People* **And grant us thy salvation.**

*Deacon* Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

S 22

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

## THE COLLECTS

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins and give us, we beseech thee, the liberty of that abundant life which thou hast manifested to us in thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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.**

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 Bertha Puckett Ridgewy, 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](http://churchoftheincarnation.org/donate), text "Madison209" to 73256, or scan the QR code below. Thank you for your generosity.*



ANTHEM

Love on my heart from heaven fell,  
Soft as the dew on flow'rs of spring,  
Sweet as the hidden drops that swell  
Their honey-throated chalicing.

Now never from him do I part,  
Hosanna evermore I cry:

Love on My Heart

I taste his savour in my heart,  
And bid all praise him as do I.  
  
Without him nought-so-ever is,  
Nor was afore, nor e'er shall be:  
Nor any other joy than his  
Wish I for mine to comfort me.

Martin

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 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 540 *All stand.*

Dir, dir Jehovah

DISMISSAL

*Deacon* 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*  
Romy John Abraham, *Seminarian*  
Dr. Uche Akwuba II, *Master of Ceremonies*  
Oseloka Chira, *Head Usher*  
John Robert Motato, *Sexton*  
Robert Chipantiza and Emil Ramirez, *Assistant Sextons*  
  
Harris Healy and Oseloka Chira, *Ushers*  
Kendall Pron and Christopher Stromee, *Lay Readers*  
Theo Chinn, *Acolyte*  
Callaway Dannhauser, *Sunday School Teacher*  
Maria Ju, *Parish House Door Greeter*  
Anne Tong, *Coffee Hour Host*

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bertha Puckett Ridgeway.

**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, Wendy, Deirdre, Donovan, Drew, Ellen, David, Jane, Lillian, Bruno, Tim, Augie, Ana, Sixto, Sandy, Lee, Sue, Kelly, Mary, Michael, Danielle, Doris, Michell, Susan, Pam, Heidi, Frank, Monica, Luis, James, Robert, Rick, Allen, Barbara, Leslie, Treasure, Marisa, Tom, Ana, John, Emily, Jake, Sam, Cooper, Laurie, Larry, Dave and Nicholl. To add a name to the parish prayer list, call the church or email the Rev. Adrian Dannhauser at [adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org](mailto:adannhauser@churchoftheincarnation.org).

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