



CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

Episcopal/ Anglican
Landmark Building, Living Faith

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 22, 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 Aus Tiefer Boëhm

RECTOR’S GREETINGS The Rev. Adrian Dannhauser

INTROIT Drop, Drop Slow Tears Walton

Drop, drop, slow tears,	To cry for vengeance
And bathe those beauteous feet	Sin doth never cease.
Which brought from Heaven	In your deep floods
The news and Prince of Peace:	Drown all my faults and fears;
Cease not, wet eyes,	Nor let His eye
His mercy to entreat;	See sin, but through my tears.

HYMN 495 *All stand.* In Babilone

OPENING SENTENCES

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

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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.**

Officiant The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

All **O come, let us adore him.**

VENITE *sung by all*

S 8

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.

Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts
 as in the provocation,
 and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;
 When your fathers tempted me,
 proved me, and saw my works.

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said,
 It is a people that do err in their hearts,
 for they have not known my ways;

Unto whom I swear in my wrath,
 that they should not enter into my rest.

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.

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:
O come, let us adore him.

PSALM 130 *read responsively*

1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?

3 For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.

4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy;

7 With him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

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.*

Ezekiel 37:1-14

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.

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

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

BENEDICTUS DOMINE DEUS *sung by the choir*

"Windsor Service"

Howells

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 swore 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

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the

village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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

HYMN 666 *All stand.*

St. Bride

SERMON

The Ven. Archdeacon Denise LaVetty

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

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.

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

THE COLLECTS

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful humans: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.**

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, 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, 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.



ANTHEM

Civitas Sancti Tui Facta

Byrd

Civitas sancti tui facta est deserta,
Sion deserta facta est,
Jerusalem desolata est.

Bow thine ear, O Lord, and hear us:
Let thine anger cease from us
Sion is wasted and brought low
Jerusalem desolate and void.

The People stand as the Ushers present the Offering in silence.

Officiant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

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 335 *All stand.*

Bread of Life

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE Fuga III Über den Namen Bach, op. 60

Schumann

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*

Oseloka Chira and Cynthia Drayton, *Ushers*
Christopher Strome and Sondra Carter, *Lay Readers*
Tully Katrancha, *Acolyte*
Jedd Katrancha, *Sunday School Teacher*
Maria Ju, *Door Greeter at the Parish House*
Christopher Strome, *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, 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, Fredrick, Julian, Barbara, Butch, and the Russo/Maxwell Families.

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

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

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