

- *Children worship with us in the service. Noise and wiggles are welcome!*
- *Restrooms are available in the gym and down the hallway. Gym restrooms do not lock; please knock!*
- *Please move toward the front and center to make room for visitors!*



Jesus and the man born blind



WELCOME TO INCARNATION

Worship Guide for March 19, 2023 | 4th Sunday of Lent

PROCESSIONAL SONG

Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

1. Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity, love and power.

2. Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.

Refrain:

*I will arise and go to Jesus,
He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O, there are ten thousand charms.*

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THE ACCLAMATION

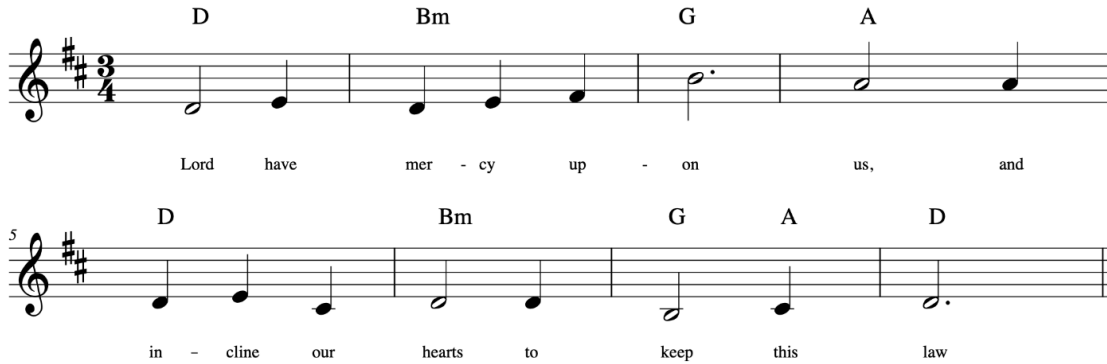
Leader Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DECALOGUE (TEN COMMANDMENTS)



Leader God spoke these words and said:

I am the Lord your God.

You shall have no other gods but me.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

Honor your father and your mother.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

You shall not murder.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

You shall not commit adultery.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

You shall not steal.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law

You shall not covet.

(Spoken) **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Leader Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The priest pronounces forgiveness and offers the comfortable words.

Leader Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Leader Lord, have mercy.

OPENING SONG

Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

3. Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all.

4. View Him prostrate in the garden;
On the ground your Maker lies.
On the cursed tree behold Him;
Love poured out in sacrifice.

Refrain:

*I will arise and go to Jesus,
He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O, there are ten thousand charms.*

5. Lo! th'incarnate God ascended,
Pleads the merit of His blood:
Venture on Him, venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.

6. Let not conscience make you linger,
Not of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth
Is to feel your need of Him.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY & PRAYER FOR CHILDREN

Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Leader Let us pray.

All **Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE LESSONS

Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

Reader The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

People **He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

Reader He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

People **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

Reader You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

People **Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 5:1-14

After the reading

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Procession

Lord Jesus, come. Good Shepherd, come. The bread is on the table, lead me to you.

Lord Jesus, come. Good Shepherd, come. The wine is on the table, lead me to you.

Gospel Reading: John 9:1-13, 28-41

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the reading

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON
Rev. Katie Hamlin

SILENCE

Our silence after the sermon will grow by one minute each week of Lent. This week we practice 4 minutes of silence.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Lord, in your mercy,
People Hear our prayer.

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with your spirit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Parents, please pick children up from the nursery!** Everyone participates in communion together.
- **Parish meeting:** Please plan to linger after the service on March 26 for a parish meeting.
- **Lent retreat with L'Arche:** Join L'Arche for a virtual Lent retreat Saturday, April 1, 10-11:30am on Zoom.
- **Small group hosts wanted:** A new season of small groups will April 23-June 18. Interested in hosting people for a meal and prayer? Contact Katie: katie@incarnationanglican.org
- **Life with God:** We are launching a monthly opportunity to go deeper in the faith. "Life with God" begins Saturday, April 15, from 10am-12pm. Learn more and sign up in Amy's Mar 15 letter: incarnationanglican.org/blog
- **Holy Week:** Holy Week begins Palm Sunday, April 2. All services listed: incarnationanglican.org/holy-week
- **Membership:** We will receive new members on Easter Sunday, April 9. Curious about membership? Email Amy: amy@incarnationanglican.org
- **Lenten Offering:** Throughout Lent, we are collecting a special offering for Little Lights. To give: incarnationanglican.org/give (choose Lent Offering) or text a dollar amount and "littleglights" to 843-21.
- **Communion instructions**
- **To give:** incarnationanglican.org/give or text a dollar amount to 843-21 (or give to Lenten offering; instructions above)

OFFERTORY SONG

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You, I want to see You. (2x)

Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
I want to see You

Chorus:

*To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of your glory
Pour out your power and love
As we sing holy, holy, holy.*

Paul Baloche @ 1997 Integrity CCLI# 2298355

HOLY COMMUNION

Leader Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O LORD,
People **And of your own have we given you.**

THE SURSUM CORDA (LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS)

Leader The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Leader Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The leader continues . . .

. . . joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All **Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Holy and gracious Father . . .

The leader continues . . .

. . . Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The leader continues . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

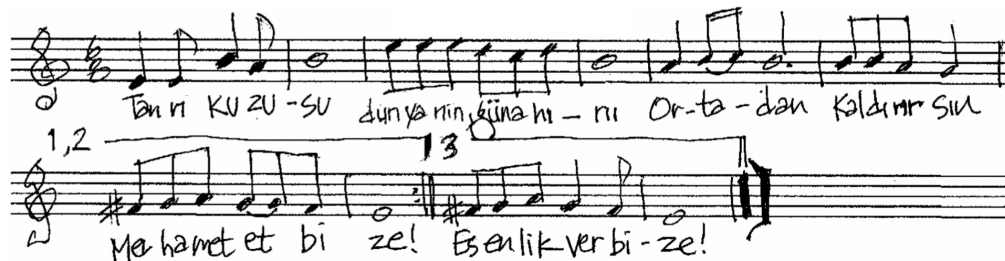
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION (BREAKING OF THE BREAD)

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

THE AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)

We sing in other languages in solidarity with the global body of Christ. Please remember our brothers and sisters in Turkey this season.



Turkish
Tanrı Kuzusu dünyanın günahını
Ortadan kaldırır, Merhamet et bize! (x2)
Tanrı Kuzusu dünyanın günahını
Ortadan kaldırır, Esenlik ver bize!

English
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

COMMUNION

All who are baptized are invited forward to receive the bread and wine. If you do not wish to receive communion, come forward with your arms crossed and we will pray a prayer of blessing. Gluten-free bread and wine available at the center station. Prayer is available near the stage after communion.

Softly and Tenderly

1. Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling
Calling for you and for me
See, on the portals he's waiting and watching
Watching for you and for me

Chorus:

*Come home, come home
Ye who are weary come home
Earnestly, tenderly Jesus is calling
Calling, o sinner, come home*

2. Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading
Pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies
Mercies for you and for me

3. O for the wonderful love he has promised
Promised for you and for me
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon
Pardon for you and for me

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'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take him at his word;
Just to rest upon his promise,
Just to know: "Thus saith the Lord."

Chorus:

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!*

2. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest, and joy and peace.

3. I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that Thou art with me,
Wilt be with me to the end.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The priest prays a blessing.

Leader Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**