



WELCOME TO INCARNATION
Worship. Welcome. Wonder.

October 6, 2024 | Ordinary Time



Welcome

Thanks for worshipping with us today! At the tables near the entrance, you can find coffee, name tags, and blue visitor cards for sharing prayer requests and contact information. We also have sensory items available to help you enter more fully into worship.

Multigenerational Worship

We are a multigenerational church and welcome children as full participants in our community. Adults are practicing hospitality by welcoming the noise and wiggles of children. Children are practicing reverence by using whispers and quiet movements (parents, please help them practice!). We are all practicing entering the kingdom as little children! We offer the following children's programs:

- **Mustard Seed Atrium (Nursery, ages 0-3).** Nursery care for our youngest children is available at 10am in the Courtyard. *The nursery moves indoors to Room 142 in extreme weather*, but most of the time we follow the adage "there's no bad weather, only bad clothing" and remain outdoors — please dress accordingly! All children should be picked up from the nursery during The Peace. In the case of insufficient volunteers, the nursery is available on a self-serve basis; parents may use the space, but must remain with their children. There's also a small "nursery nook" for parents to use in the sanctuary during worship.
- **Good Shepherd Atrium (ages 3-6).** Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (a Montessori-based faith formation program) begins at 9:30am in the foyer and continues during the service until The Peace.
- **True Vine Atrium (ages 7-12).** Older children meet for prayer and bible study at 9:30am by the sanctuary windows. When church begins, children worship with their families.

Announcements

- **Membership Sunday next week.** We invite everyone (whatever your membership status) to spend some time in the coming week reflecting on your participation in the body of Christ. We will spend time in corporate reflection next Sunday, October 13.
- **Vestry slate posted.** Our vestry slate is posted on our blog: incarnationanglican.org/blog. The vestry election will open for electronic voting on October 12 and all members are eligible to vote.
- **Potluck and Parish Meeting on October 20.** Please plan to stay after church on Sunday, October 20, for a parish meeting and potluck. We'll announce our new vestry and hear important updates on our finances and future plans. Bring a dish to share and plan to stay!
- **Children's Atrium has begun.** Please help us enforce our child safety policies and create a peaceful worship space for all. Parents, please register your kids if you haven't already!
- **After the service, please lend a hand!** If you're able, please help pack one bin or take one item to the entrance for loading on the van — thank you!

Year-to-Date Financial Status		
	Actual	Budgeted
YTD Expense	\$371,057.00	\$364,812.00
YTD Income	\$337,714.00	\$305,000.00
YTD Net Income	-\$33,343.00	-\$59,812.00



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A Service of Holy Communion

Processional Song

For Your Goodness and Your Mercy

1. For your goodness and your mercy, we will sing
For your goodness and your mercy, we will sing
Each breath, a hallelujah
Each song, our offering
For your goodness and your mercy, we will sing

2. For the turning of the seasons, we sing praise
For the turning of the seasons, we sing praise
Every frost, a benediction
Every dew, a warm embrace
For the turning of the seasons, we sing praise

3. Through the shadow of the valley, we'll sing on
Through the shadow of the valley, we'll sing on
And the wind that gently beckons
Is the whisper of your dawn
Through the shadow of the valley, we'll sing on

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Opening Acclamation

Leader Blessed be God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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.**

From fall until Easter, we follow the Renewed Ancient Liturgy of the 2019 Book of Common Prayer. This liturgy is based on the words of scripture and the ancient worship of the early church.

The Collect for Purity is an English translation of a prayer that has been prayed at the beginning of worship for over a thousand years.

The Summary of the Law

Leader Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. (Matthew 22:37-40)

Leader Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Leader Lord, have mercy.

Song of Praise

Nearer My God, to Thee

1. Nearer, my God, to thee; nearer to thee
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me
Still all my song shall be nearer, my God, to thee
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee

2. Though, like the wanderer, the sun gone down
Darkness be over me, my rest a stone
Yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to thee
Nearer, my God to thee, nearer to thee

3. Then, with my waking thoughts bright with thy praise
Out of my stony griefs, Bethel I'll raise
So by my woes to be nearer, my God, to thee
Nearer, my God to thee, nearer to thee

4. There in my Father's home, safe and at rest,
There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest;
Age after age to be nearer, my God to thee
Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee

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Collect of the Day & Prayer for Children

Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Leader Let us pray.

All **Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in continual godliness, that through your protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly serve you in good works, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Collect of the Day
"collects" the people's
prayers according to
theme of today's
readings or of this day of
the church calendar.*

The Lessons

During the scripture readings, we invite you to listen for a word or phrase that stands out to you. In the silences between the readings, contemplate how God might be speaking to you through his Word.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to the man to see what he would call them, and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle and to the birds of the air and to every animal of the field, but for the man^[a] there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

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

Psalm 19

Reader O Lord our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!
People **Out of the mouths of infants and children
 your majesty is praised above the heavens.**
Reader You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
 to quell the enemy and the avenger.
People **When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
 the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**
Reader What is man that you should be mindful of him?
 the son of man that you should seek him out?
People **You have made him but little lower than the angels;
 you adorn him with glory and honor;**
Reader You give him mastery over the works of your hands;
 you put all things under his feet:
People **All sheep and oxen,
 even the wild beasts of the field,**
Reader The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
 and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
People **O Lord our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!**

The first reading is typically from the Old Testament (the Hebrew Scriptures), which Jesus knew and from which he often quoted.

The Psalms are the prayer book of the people of God throughout all ages. They cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. They teach us how to pray as we recite them each week.

The New Testament records the preaching, letters, and stories of the early church.

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 2:9-18

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters;
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

And again,

"I will put my trust in him."

And again,

"Here am I and the children whom God has given me."

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Procession (sung)

Please stand.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

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Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

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

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

And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

The four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John) tell the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus. We stand to hear them as a sign of our reverence for Christ the Word. We read the Gospels in the midst of the people because "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Amy Rowe

Song of Response

He is Among Us (The Least of These)

1. You'll find me with the broken and the weak
In the spaces in between
You'll hear my voice cry out with those who weep
Only if you're listening

Chorus:

*Whatever you do for the least of these
You do it unto me*

2. You'll find me with the ones without a voice
The forgotten and ignored
My blessing is on those who love the poor
Will you open up the door?

Bridge:

*Hallelujah, hallelujah
He is among us, he is among us (repeat)*

3. By this the world will know the Father's love
We will know the Father's love

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The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." The Nicene Creed summarizes essential Christian faith and has been said by Christians across traditions, time, and space ever since the 4th century.

The Nicene Creed

All **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.**

Confession and Absolution

Confession is a time to tell the truth about ourselves and our world, aloud and in one voice. Having confessed our sins, we are then assured of God's forgiveness.

Leader Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God. *[silent confession]*
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.**

Having made our peace with God, we can now make peace with one another. Use this time to seek reconciliation with those you have hurt, or who have hurt you. Please also welcome someone new!

The Peace

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

Announcements (see inside cover)

The Eucharist

The Offertory

Just As I Am

1. Just as I am, without one plea,
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2. Just as I am, though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

3. Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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All (sung) **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! A - men.**

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

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.**

Leader It is right, our duty and our joy . . .

The priest sets the table with the bread and wine during the offertory. These gifts represent the labors of our common life, given back to God in worship.

You are invited to give to the work of Incarnation using the QR code on the inside cover of the bulletin.

Sursum Corda means "lift up your heart" in Latin. We are invited to bring our whole selves into the story of the Eucharist.

Sanctus means "holy" in Latin. We join the song of the saints and angels who praise God without ceasing, as described in Isaiah 6:3 and Revelation 4:8.

The Sanctus

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

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna, hosanna, in the highest (x2)**

The Prayer of Consecration

Leader Holy and gracious Father . . . Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
People **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

The bread is broken at the fraction, just as Jesus' own body was broken.

The Fraction

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

Agnus Dei means "Lamb of God" in Latin. John the Baptist declared Jesus "the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" We cry out to this Lamb for mercy once more before receiving his life for ours.

The Agnus Dei

Leader Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
People **Have mercy on us.**
Leader Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
People **Have mercy on us.**
Leader Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
People **Grant us your peace.**

Distribution of Communion

I Wonder as I Wander

I wonder as I wander out under the sky
How Jesus the Savior did come for to die
For poor ordinary people like you and like I.
I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

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Let All Who Are Thirsty Come

Let all who are thirsty come.
Let all who wish receive the water of life freely.
Amen. Come Lord Jesus.
Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

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Jesus, I Come

1. Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.
Into thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my sickness into thy health,
Out of my wanting and into thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into thyself,
Jesus, I come to thee.

2. Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of thy cross,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to thee.

3. Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of myself to dwell in thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to thee.

*All baptized Christians
are invited forward to
receive the bread and
wine. Gluten-free bread
and wine are available;
just ask your server.*

*If you do not wish to
receive communion,
please come forward
with your arms crossed
and we will pray a prayer
of blessing.*

*When trained prayer
ministers are available,
we offer prayer
immediately after
communion in the chairs
near the stage, continued
after the service until all
who seek prayer have
received it.*

4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of thy home,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of thy sheltering fold,
Ever thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to thee.

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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.**

Leader All our problems
People **We send to the cross of Christ.**
Leader All our difficulties
People **We send to the cross of Christ.**
Leader All the devil's works
People **We send to the cross of Christ.**
Leader All our hopes
People **We set on the risen Christ.**

The Blessing & Dismissal

Leader The peace of God, which passes 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 among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Leader Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

We receive a final blessing and are sent out into the world to do the work Jesus taught us to do in our ordinary lives.