

CHURCH of the INCARNATION

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025

7:30 & 11:15 a.m.

We're glad you're worshipping with us. *

Before we begin our services, we observe a time of prayerful reflection and preparation for worship. If you're new or looking to connect, we would love to meet you outside in the foyer before or after the service—simply find a member of the clergy or Connection Minister (look for the yellow lanyards).

New to Incarnation?



■ We'd love to get you connected. Scan this QR code to fill out the contact form, and we will reach out.

INCARNATION 101

Find out more about our church and explore membership. Next event is 9/14. Email Ben: bhodges@incarnation.org

BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION

For adult baptism, email *baptism*@ incarnation.org. To be confirmed in the church, email jgriesbeck@incarnation.org

CONFESSION & RECONCILIATION

Schedule with any of the priests by emailing our pastoral care team at *nparkhurst*@ incarnation.org

WEEKLY EMAIL

Sign up at incarnation.org/enews

In need of prayer this morning?

- You can write your prayer request on the gold-topped card in the pew rack in front of you, and our clergy team will pray over your request this week.
- Trained Prayer Ministers will be at the back of the Church during Communion ready to pray with you.
- · For all seeking healing of mind, body, or spirit, a member of the clergy will be available to anoint you with oil and lay hands upon you. *Trad*: Low Altar after Communion; *Uptown*: Altar Rail after the service.

Connecting Families

NURSERY

8:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Infants to Age 3

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL 8:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. *Pre-K*–2nd grade

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The 7:30 a.m. service is spoken with no music.

Organ Voluntary

Adagio in A minor, BWV 564ii

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

THE WORD OF GOD

Introit: *Iustus es Dómine*

IGHTEOUS art thou, O LORD, and true is thy judgement : deal with thy servant according unto thy merciful kindness. *Ps.* Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the way of the LORD.

Hymn 423

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

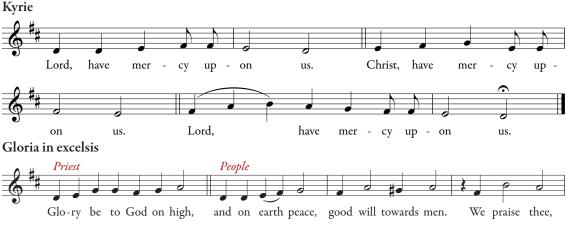
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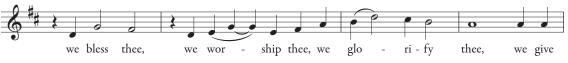
▶ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Celebrant

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen. People

The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity.













The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

GRANT us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament Deuteronomy 30:15–20

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

Chant by Henry Thomas Smart (1813–1879)

B LESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners: and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD: and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the waterside: that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

His leaf also shall not wither: and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them:

but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgment:

neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

But the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

The Epistle Philemon 1–21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps

this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother–especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia is intoned by the Choir, repeated by the People, then sung again after the verse.



W. Hear my prayer, O LORD; and let my cry come unto thee.

The Gospel Luke 14:25–33

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

People

Luke Miller, 7:30 a.m. Lauren Whitnah, PhD, Dean of Nashotah House, 11:15 a.m.

THE NICENE CREED

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, ₹ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each petition concludes

Deacon Let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy.

The prayers conclude in this way

Deacon In the communion of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, let us commend

ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and gives the Absolution.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Birthday Prayer

WATCH over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be; strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Anthem

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee.

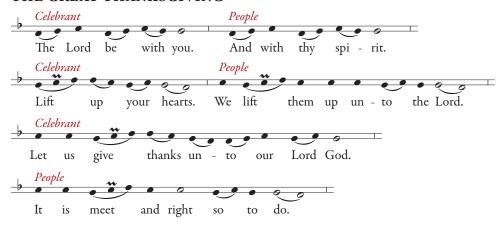
Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

Psalm 122:1-3, 6

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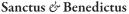
PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

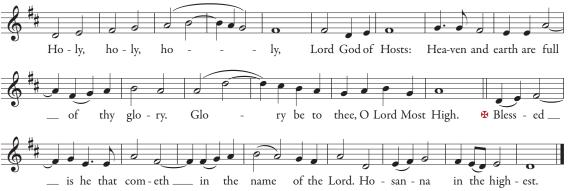
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Celebrant continues with the Preface, which concludes

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,





The People kneel and the Celebrant continues

A LL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanks giving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.



Communion Devotions

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

UR 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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

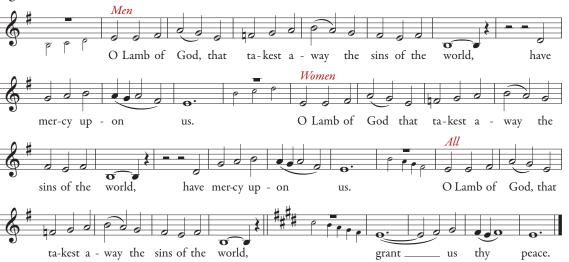
Celebrant and People

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Agnus Dei



Instructions for Holy Communion

All Christians who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Triune God, who come forward in faith, and are permitted to receive Holy Communion in their own church, are warmly invited to do so on this occasion.

Communion is received in the following way: a priest places the Bread in the palm of your hand, which you then consume; to receive the Wine, hold the base of the chalice and guide it to your lips. The practice of dipping the Bread into the Wine is not permitted. If you do not wish to receive one or both Elements, simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will give you a blessing.

For those with a medical need, gluten-free Bread and Wine from a dedicated gluten-free chalice is available at the Low Altar. If one is not able or prefers not to receive either the Bread or the Wine, the Church has always taught that a person still receives all the benefits of Holy Communion when receiving in one kind. Please feel free to consult with a member of the clergy if you have more questions.

Persons who wish to have the Holy Eucharist brought to them in their pew should notify an usher.

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Intercessory Prayer Ministers are available in the back of the Church after you receive Holy Communion, and a priest will be available at the Low Altar to administer Holy Unction to those seeking healing of any kind.

Motet

Averum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine; vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine; cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit aqua et sanguine; esto nobis prægustatum in mortis examine.

O Jesu dulcis! O Jesu pie! O Jesu, fili Mariæ.

Colin Mawby (1936–2019)

Hail true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, which in anguish to redeem us did'st suffer upon the cross; from whose side, when pierced by spear, there came forth water and blood; be to us at our last hour the source of consolation.

O sweet Jesus! O holy Jesus! O Jesus, son of Mary.

14th-Cent. Attributed to Pope Innocent VI

Hymn 512

Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove

Mendon

CONCLUDING RITES

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Celebrant gives the blessing.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 675

Take up your cross, the Savior said

Bourbon

Organ Voluntary

Fugue in C major, BWV 564iii

Johann Sebastian Bach

Altar Arrangements

Choral Evensong 5 P.M.

Are given to the glory of God...

This evening's music will be: Voluntary: Psalm-Prelude Set 2, No. 1, Howells

in loving memory of Responses: Byrd

John Anderson Norman, Sr.

Psalm 103: Knight, Hancock
Canticles: Service in E, Murrill

Bill Harris

Anthem: Thou, O God, art praise in Sion, Boyle

Reception to follow.

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Notes

Coming Up This Week

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOLS | Sundays, at 10:20 a.m.

- Called to Give, with Bp. Greg Brewer (Ascension Chapel)
- Read, Mark, Learn, & Inwardly Digest: Genesis, with Dr. Stephen Bagby (Memorial Chapel)

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

Sunday, 12:30–2 p.m. *Ed. Bldg, Theater (downstairs)*Brandy Femat | bfemat@incarnation.org

WALKING THE MOURNER'S PATH

Sunday, 12:30–2 p.m. *Marmion Conf. Room* Judy Frizzell | jfrizzell@incarnation.org

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Sunday, 12:30–2 p.m. *Ed. Bldg, Room 205*Ben Hodges | bhodges@incarnation.org

CHORAL EVENSONG RESUMES

Sunday, 5 p.m. *Main Church*Rachel Jones | rjones@incarnation.org

BELIZE INFO MEETING

Monday, 6–7:30 p.m. *M&O Conf. Room*Janelle MacDonald | jmacdonald@incarnation.org

MOM TO MOM

Tuesday, 9:15-11:15 a.m. Ed. Bldg., Room. 205 Brandy Femat | bfemat@incarnation.org

TUESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, 12–1:15 p.m. Ed. Bldg., Room. 119 Brandy Femat | bfemat@incarnation.org

LECTIONARY CLASS

Wednesday, 7:30–8:30 a.m. *Ed. Bldg, Rm 115–116* Timothy Ralston | tralston@dts.edu

WOMEN'S WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, 9:15–11:30 a.m. *Ed. Bldg., Room. 205* **Ms. Chris Adams** | cadams4542@aol.com

SQUARE ONE (NEW MOMS)

Thursday, 11–12:30 p.m. *Ed. Bldg, Balcony* Ashley Hensel | ahensel@incarnation.org

ALPHA

Thursday, 6:30–8 p.m. *Welcome Center*Ben Hodges | bhodges@incarnation.org

SUPPER CLUB

Friday, 6:30–9 p.m. *Offsite*Ben Hodges | bhodges@incarnation.org

Weekday Services

MORNING PRAYER & HOLY COMMUNION

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m., Memorial Chapel

HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING

Wednesdays, 12 p.m., Memorial Chapel

Featured Opportunities



INCARNATION 101

TODAY, Sunday, September 7, Ed. Bldg. Room 205, 12:30–2 p.m. If you're interested in exploring membership, or simply want a chance to hear more about what we're about, join us for this special lunch. More at *incarnation.org/101*



WALKING THE MOURNER'S PATH

TODAY, Sunday, Sepember 7, 12:30–2 p.m. in the Marmion Conference Room
This a grief workshop is for those who have experienced a recent, or not so recent, loss of a loved one. Our faith-based curriculum is grounded in God's powerful promises. Join us today.



BELIZE INFO MEETING

Monday, September 8, from 6–7:30 p.m. M&O Conf. Room
Learn about our 2026 mission trip to Belize (February 24–March 1). We'll share details about our projects, with a chance to sign up for the trip. Register at incarnation.org/belize



ALPHA

Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m. Starts 9/11.

For those who are still curious about faith. Questions allowed. Join us for a meal, time to talk around a table, and explore faith. Details and register at *incarnation.org/alpha*

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