



The Seventeenth Sunday *after* Pentecost
September 20, 2026 ✠ 9:00AM with Baptisms

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION!

We are so glad you are here and worshiping with us. If you are visiting, please fill out the card in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate, so we can get to know you. You're also invited to meet with a connection minister wearing a yellow lanyard in the Welcome Center who can get you plugged into the life of our parish.

today
SEPTEMBER 20

7:30 AM

TRADITIONAL
CHURCH

9 AM

TRADITIONAL
CHURCH
CONTEMPORARY
CHAPEL
CHILDREN'S CHAPEL
2ND FLOOR

10:20 AM

SUNDAY CLASSES
EDUCATION BUILDING

11:15 AM

TRADITIONAL
CHURCH
CONTEMPORARY
CHAPEL
CHILDREN'S CHAPEL
2ND FLOOR

5 PM

CHOIR OF TRINITY COLLEGE,
CAMBRIDGE IN CONCERT
CHURCH

NURSERY

Infants – Age 3 • 8:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. • Education Building, 1st Floor

SUNDAY CLASSES: 10:20 – 11:05 AM

ADULTS

**Living the Faith We Received:
Our Anglican Identity**

*Led by The Rev. Parker Williams and
The Rev. Shawn Torres
Room 115 – 116*

This 10-week course explores what it means to follow Jesus in the Episcopal tradition. This class is for those who are new to Christianity, preparing for Confirmation, or looking to deepen their faith.

**The Life of David: 1-2 Samuel and
Select Psalms**

*Led by Dr. Stephen Bagby
Room 205*

Read, Mark, Learn, and Inwardly Digest.
In this 10-week study, we'll explore David's life and his place in the biblical story, while considering themes of sin, grace, courage, love, honor and shame—and the relationships that shaped him.

YOUNG ADULTS

Breakfast Club

Room 209
Join other young adults in their 20s and 30s for breakfast tacos, fellowship, and group study. Come build relationships and start your Sunday together!

YOUTH

Confirmation: 6th Grade

Room 004, Basement

Confirmation is a way to publicly affirm our faith in God and make the commitment to serve our brothers and sisters in Christ. This class is for our 6th grade students and other youth who have not yet been confirmed.

God With Us: 7th – 12th Grade

Room 005, Basement

We'll explore what it means to know that God is with us—in our relationships, struggles, fears, joys, and everyday lives. Through Scripture, conversation, and reflection, we'll discover how God's presence shapes our faith and our lives.

CHILDREN

Little Disciples: PreK – 2nd Grade

2nd Floor, Education Building

Children will explore Bible stories and the Christian faith through Bible lesson, crafts, and activities that help children connect what they learn to their lives throughout the week.

Bible Drill: 3rd – 5th Grade

Room 026, Basement

Bible Drill is a fun, fast-paced way for kids to write Scripture on their hearts. Students will memorize Scripture and books of the Bible in fun and interactive ways.

First Communion: 2nd Grade and older

Begins January 10, 2027

Children and their parents learn together about the Eucharist and its importance in our life of faith through age-appropriate lessons and activities.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

SONG

How Great Is Our God

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with your spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE LESSONS

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Jonah 3:10-4:11

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Is it right

for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalms 145:1-8

I will exalt you, O God my King,
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
Every day will I bless you
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;
there is no end to his greatness.
One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.
I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty
and all your marvelous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous
acts,
and I will tell of your greatness.
They shall publish the remembrance of your great
goodness;
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

All stand.

THE SEQUENCE

Veni Sancte Spiritus

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

Deacon ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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

THE SEQUENCE

Veni Sancte Spiritus

THE SERMON

Cn Oliver Lee

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

THE PRESENTATION & EXAMINATION OF THE BAPTISMAL CANDIDATES

The People remain seated as the candidates are presented.

The Celebrant says

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Godparents

I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Question Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Answer We will, with God's help.

Question Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Answer We will, with God's help.

The Celebrant then addresses the Parents and Godparents with the following questions, who speak on behalf of the children they are presenting.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The People stand and the Celebrant addresses them, saying

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

THE PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

The Deacon then says to the People

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues with the Prayer of Blessing over the water. The Prayer concludes
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated for the baptisms.

THE BAPTISMS

Each candidate is presented by name. Then the Priest pours water upon the candidate, saying
 N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Priest takes oil and marks each candidate's forehead with the sign of the cross and says
N, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

When these actions have been completed, all stand, and the Celebrant says a prayer of thanksgiving.

Celebrant

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant & People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

All greet one another in the peace of Christ.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Children's Blessing 9am only

Almighty God, heavenly Father, you have blessed us with the joy and care of children: Give us calm strength and patient wisdom as we bring them up, that we may teach them to love whatever is just and true and good, following the example of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Birthday Blessing

Watch over your 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 your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

SONG

There Is Power

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with the Preface, which concludes

Therefore we praise you, 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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Celebrant & People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;

✠Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, saying

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant & People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

Celebrant

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

Celebrant & People

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 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.

As an act of private devotion, the following prayer may be prayed

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your 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.

Instructions for Holy Communion

All Christians who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, 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.

Gluten-free Bread and Wine from a dedicated gluten-free chalice are available for those with a medical need; just notify a priest when you kneel at the altar rail. If one is not able (e.g. because of a medical condition), 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. Intercessory Prayer Ministers are available in the back of Ascension Chapel after you receive Holy Communion.

SONG

Do It Again

SONG

Your Grace Is Enough

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER & BLESSING

Celebrant & People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the People.

SONG

Amen (African American Spiritual)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A priest is available to anoint you with oil and pray for you at the Altar Rail today. If you would like to receive this ministry of Holy Unction, please come forward and kneel at the conclusion of today's service.



Bulletin Cover:

"Baptism"

Ivanka Demchuk

PRAY, CARE, & CONNECT

Morning Prayer & Holy Communion

Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m.

Memorial Chapel

Holy Eucharist With Healing

Wednesday, 12 p.m.

Memorial Chapel

PRAY

Prayer Requests

Complete a gold-topped card in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. Our clergy meet weekly to pray for each request.

Prayer During Communion

Prayer Ministers are ready to pray with you at the back of the church during communion.

Healing & Anointing

If you are 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.

Traditional: Low Altar after Communion

Contemporary: Altar Rail after the service.

Active-Duty Prayer List

To add a loved one to the active-duty prayer list, email the person's name and branch of service to Nanci Parkhurst at nparkhurst@incarnation.org.

PASTORAL CARE

Baptism

To request baptism, email baptism@incarnation.org.

Confirmation

To be confirmed at Incarnation, email the Rev. Jordan Griesbeck at jgriesbeck@incarnation.org.

Confession & Reconciliation

To schedule with any Incarnation priest, email Nanci Parkhurst at nparkhurst@incarnation.org.

Birth Announcements

Submit a birth announcement to Ashley Hensel at ahensel@incarnation.org.

Funeral Information

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