



CHURCH *of the* INCARNATION

The Second Sunday *after* Christmas

January 4, 2026

7:30 & 11:15 am

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The 7:30 am service is spoken with no music.

Organ Voluntary

In dulci Jubilo, BuxWV 197

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

THE WORD OF GOD

Introit: *Dum médium*

WHEN as all the world was in profoundest quietness, and night was in the midst of her swift course: Thine almighty word, O LORD, leaped down from heaven out of thy royal throne. *Ps.* The Lord is king, and hath put on glorious apparel : The Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

Hymn 92

On this day earth shall ring

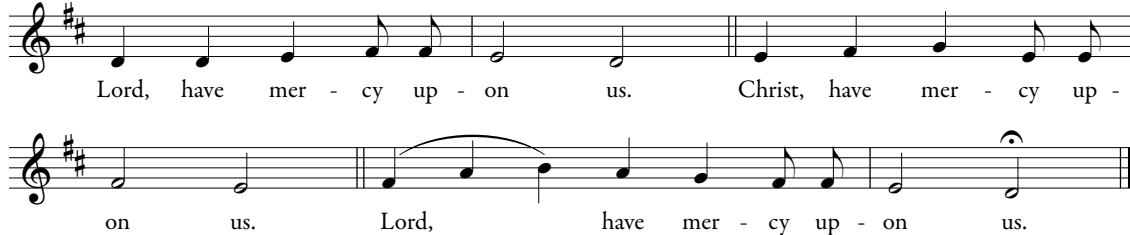
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Celebrant ✠ Alleluia. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

People And we beheld his glory, full of grace and truth. Alleluia.

The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity.

Kyrie



Gloria in excelsis

Priest *People*

Glo-ry be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee,
we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give
thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God _____ the
Fa - ther Al - might - - - y. _____ O Lord, the on - ly be-got-ten

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Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that
 ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that ta - kest a -
 way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of
 God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art ho - ly;
 thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Ghost, art most high ✕ in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. ____
 A - - - - - men.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O GOD, who didst wonderfully create, and yet more wonderfully restore, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, thy Son Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament

Jeremiah 31:7–14

THUS says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, “Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel.” See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.” For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 84:1–9

Chant by: Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848–1918)

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings : thou LORD of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the LORD :
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young :
even thy altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be always praising thee.
Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee : in whose heart are thy ways.
Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.
They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.
O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.
Behold, O God our defender : and look upon the face of thine anointed.

The Epistle

Ephesians 1:3–6, 15–19a

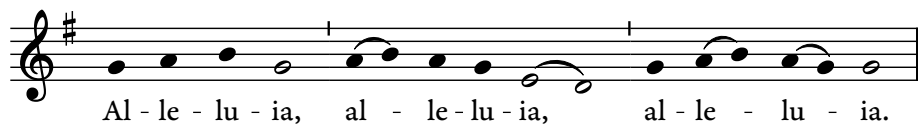
BLESSED be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

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.



✠ The LORD is King, and hath put on glorious apparel :
The LORD hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

The Gospel

Matthew 2:13–15, 19–23

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

AFTER the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, “Out of Egypt I have called my son.” When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child’s life are dead.” Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, “He will be called a Nazorean.”

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

THE SERMON

The Rev’d Jordan Griesbeck

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 Lord, in thy mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

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

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

HERE is the little door, lift up the latch, oh lift! We need not wander more but enter with our gift; our gift of finest gold, gold that was never bought nor sold; myrrh to be strewn about his bed; incense in clouds about his head; all for the Child that stirs not in his sleep, but holy slumber holds with ass and sheep. Bend low about his bed, for each he has a gift; see how his eyes awake, lift up your hands, O lift! For gold, he gives a keen-edged sword (Defend with it thy little Lord!) For incense, smoke of battle red, myrrh for the honoured happy dead; gifts for his children, terrible and sweet, touched by such tiny hands and oh such tiny feet.

Frances Chesterton (1896–1938)

Doxology

Old 100th

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

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People

It is meet and right so to do.

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,

Sanctus & Benedictus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of Hosts: Hea-ven and earth are full
— of thy glo - ry. Glo - - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. ✠ Bless - ed —
— is he that com-eth — in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer on pg. 334 of the Prayerbook, which concludes

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.

People



A - men.

Communion Devotions

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

Celebrant and 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.

Celebrant and People

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. 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.

Agnus Dei

Men
O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, have

Women
mer-cy up - on us. O Lamb of God that ta-kest a - way the

All
sins of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, grant _____ us thy peace.

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.



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

Charles Wood (1866–1926)

LITTLE lamb, who made thee?
Dost thou know who made thee?
Gave thee life, and bid thee feed
By the stream and o'er the mead;
Gave thee clothing of delight
Softest clothing woolly, bright;
Gave thee such a tender voice
Making all the vales rejoice?
Little Lamb, who made thee?
Dost thou know who made thee?

Little Lamb, I'll tell thee
Little Lamb, I'll tell thee:
He is callèd by thy name
For He calls Himself a Lamb
He is meek, and He is mild:
He became a little child
I a child, and thou a lamb
We are callèd by His name
Little Lamb, God bless thee!
Little Lamb, God bless thee!

William Blake (1757–1827)

Hymn 115

What child is this, who, laid to rest

Greensleeves

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 86

O Savior of our fallen race

Gonfalon Royal

Organ Voluntary

In dir ist Freude, BWV 615

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

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Coming Up This Week

BELIZE BOOK DRIVE

Now through February 3, *Welcome Center*
Janelle MacDonald | jmacdonald@incarnation.org

BENEDICTINE SPIRITUALITY GROUPS

Monday, 8:15 a.m. or 12 p.m. *Ed. Bldg., Room 119*
Tuesday, 6 p.m., *Ed. Bldg., Room 119*
Betsey Fredericks | befred82@gmail.com

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Monday, 6:30–8:30 p.m., *Central Church Dallas*
Nikki Jackson | njackson@incarnation.org

MEN'S BURNING OF THE GREENS

Monday, 8–10 p.m., *North Parking Lot*
Jordan Greisbeck | jgreisbeck@incarnation.org

EPHIPHANY MASS

Tuesday, 12:15 p.m. | *Main Church*

CLOTHING COLLECTION

Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., *Welcome Center*
Janelle MacDonald | jmacdonald@incarnation.org

HARMONIA STELLARUM

Saturday, 7:30 p.m., *Main Church*
incarnation.org/concerts

READ, MARK, LEARN: EXODUS

Sunday, 10:20–11 a.m., *Ed. Bldg., Rm 205*
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Weekday Services

MORNING PRAYER & HOLY COMMUNION

Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m., *Memorial Chapel*

HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING

Wednesday, 12–1 p.m., *Memorial Chapel*

A Prayer for Quiet Confidence (BCP, p. 832)

O God of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength: By the might of thy Spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence, where we may be still and know that thou art God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Featured Opportunities



HARMONIA STELLARUM

Saturday, January 10 at 7:30 p.m. | Main Church

Inspired by Mozart's fascination with the revolutionary Stein fortepiano, this concert celebrates the arrival of a brand-new copy of the instrument. Enjoy spirited Viennese music from "the land of the clavier," performed on period instruments. incarnation.org/concerts



WOMEN'S WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays, 9:15–11:30 a.m. | January 14–April 29 | Ed. Bldg. Rms 114-116, 119, 205

Join us for *The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis* by Nancy Guthrie, a study that explores how Genesis points to Christ through teaching, discussion, and personal Bible study.

Contact Sherri Minter at COTIBibleStudy@gmail.com



MOM TO MOM

Tuesdays, 8:45–11 a.m. | January 20–March 10 | Ed. Bldg. Rm, Room 205

Moms are invited to be refreshed and encouraged through homemade breakfast, fellowship, and intentional conversation. Nursery care is provided. Register at incarnation.org/mom



FAMILY FORMATION NIGHT

Sunday, January 25, 5–7:30 p.m. | Great Hall

An evening of dinner, fellowship, and conversation for parents and families. Speaker Mia Mbroh, LPC, will reflect on the theme, "And the Soul Felt Its Worth." Register: incarnation.org/ffn

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