



CHURCH *of the* INCARNATION

The Baptism *of our* Lord

January 11, 2026

11:15 am

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Organ Voluntary

Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam, BWV 685

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

THE WORD OF GOD

Introit: *Dilexisti*

THOU hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. *Ps.* My heart overfloweth with a good matter; I speak of the things which I have made concerning the King.

Hymn 76

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Winchester New

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

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 thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

FATHER in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament

Isaiah 42:1–9

HERE is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

Chant by: Henry George Ley (1887–1962)

BRING unto the LORD, O ye mighty, bring young rams unto the LORD :
ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.

Give the LORD the honor due unto his Name : worship the LORD with holy worship.

It is the LORD that commandeth the waters : it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

It is the LORD that ruleth the sea; the voice of the LORD is mighty in operation :

the voice of the LORD is a glorious voice.

The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedar-trees : yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Libanus.

He maketh them also to skip like a calf : Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.

The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness :

yea, the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Cades.

The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes :

in his temple doth every thing speak of his honor.

The LORD sitteth above the water-flood : and the LORD remaineth a King for ever.

The LORD shall give strength unto his people : the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Epistle

Acts 10:34–43

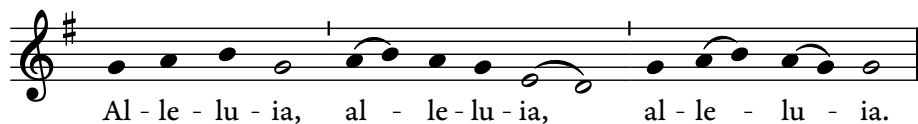
PPETER began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

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.



✠ I have found David my servant : with my holy oil have I anointed him.

The Gospel

Matthew 3:13–17

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

JESUS came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

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

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Jon Jordan

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The People remain seated and the Celebrant says

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The candidates are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents.

Parents and Godparents

I present *N.* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant then asks the Parents and Godparents of the candidates

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

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

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

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the Parents and Godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

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

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, maker 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; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Ghost?

People I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

The Celebrant continues with the Baptismal Covenant; the People respond to each question

I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Deacon then offers prayers for those who are to receive the Sacrament of New Birth.

Each petition concludes

People Lord in thy mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues with the Prayer of Blessing over the water. The Prayer concludes
... with thee and the same Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The People sit.

The Baptism

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

People Amen.

The Priest marks on the candidate's forehead the sign of the cross and says
N, thou art sealed by the Holy Ghost in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

People Amen.

After all have been baptized, a candle is presented by the clergy to each of the baptized, the Deacon saying
Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Amen.

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

The Celebrant then says to the People
Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and 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 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

John Ireland (1879–1962)

MANY waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

*Song of Solomon 8:7, 6; St. John 15:13; 1 Peter 2:24;
1 Corinthians 6:2; 1 Peter 2:9; Romans 12:1*

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.

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

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

SET me as a seal upon thine heart
as a seal upon thine arm,
for love is strong as death;
many waters cannot quench love,
neither can the floods drown it.

William Walton (1902–1983)

from the Song of Solomon

Hymn 339

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

Schmücke dich

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 135
Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg

Organ Voluntary
Épiphanie

Gaston Litaize (1909–1991)

Altar Arrangements

Are given to the glory of God...

in loving memory of
Wade Kimbrough

Choral Evensong 5 PM

This evening's music will be:

Voluntary:	<i>Postlude pour l'office de Complies</i> , Alain
Responses:	Phillips
Psalms 111–113:	Woodward, Priest, Jackson
Canticles:	<i>Service in D</i> , Brewer
Anthem:	<i>Evening Hymn</i> , Gardiner

Reception to follow.

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Coming Up This Week

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

- *The Purpose of Christian Worship*, with Fr. Cody Turner (Ed. Bldg, Room 115-116)
- *Read, Mark, Learn, & Inwardly Digest: Exodus*, with Dr. Stephen Bagby (Ed. Bldg, Room 205)

BELIZE BOOK DRIVE

Month of January, *baskets in the narthex*

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CHORAL EVENSONG & RECEPTION

Sunday, 5 p.m., Main Church

incarnation.org/evensong

BENEDICTINE SPIRITUALITY GROUPS

Monday, 8:15 a.m. or 12 p.m. *Ed. Bldg., Room 119*

Tuesday, 6 p.m., *Ed. Bldg., Room 119*

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SPAIN CAMINO INFO MEETING

Monday, 6–7:30 p.m., *M&O Conference Room*

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MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Monday, 6:30–8:30 p.m., *Central Church Dallas*

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TUESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, 11–12:15 p.m. *Ed. Bldg., Room. 119*

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BACH'S LUNCH: ORGAN RECITAL

Tuesday, 12:15–1 p.m., *Main Church*

incarnation.com/concerts

WOMEN'S WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, 9:15–11 a.m., *Ed. Bldg., Room 205*

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CLOTHING COLLECTION

Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., *Welcome Center*

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Weekday Services

MORNING PRAYER & HOLY COMMUNION

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

HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING

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

Featured Opportunities



SPAIN CAMINO INFORMATION MEETING

Monday, January 12, 6–7:30 p.m. | Mission & Outreach Conference Room

Learn more about our Spain mission trip and pilgrimage taking place in October 2026, where we walk and serve on the Camino de Santiago. RSVP for the meeting: incarnation.org/spain



BACH'S LUNCH RETURNS

Tuesday, January 13, 12:15–1 p.m. | Main Church

Bach's Lunch returns weekly on Tuesdays. Join us for a midday concert of beautiful organ music in a welcoming, reflective setting. incarnation.org/concerts



MOM TO MOM

Tuesdays, 8:45–11 a.m. | January 20–March 10 | Education Building, 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

Join us for an evening of dinner, fellowship, and conversation for parents and families. Speaker Mia Mbrog, LPC, reflects on, “And the Soul Felt Its Worth.” Register at incarnation.org/ffn

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