

TO YOU, O LORD, I LIFT UP MY SOUL.
PSALM 25:1



THE GOOD SAMARITAN | VINCENT VAN GOGH | OIL ON CANVAS | 1890



THE CHURCH OF THE
INCARNATION

4TH SUNDAY
AFTER TRINITY
JULY 13, 2025

Welcome To *The* **CHURCH** *of the* **INCARNATION**

To all who are spiritually weary and desire rest,

To all who are mourning and long for comfort,

To all who struggle and desire victory,

To all who sin and need a Savior,

To all who are hungry and thirst for righteousness,

And to whomever will come,

This church opens her doors,

Offering welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

*God calls us out of the world and welcomes us into his presence.
Opening our hearts to him in love, we respond by confessing our
sins, receiving his forgiveness, and fully devoting our lives to him in
praise and adoration.*

*Congregational responses are indicated in **boldface**.*

Please stand.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

Words Robert Robinson, 1758; Music Asahel Nettleton, 1825 CCLI 11069486.

Come thou Fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's redeeming love

*literally, "stone of
help," from 1 Samuel
7, referring to a stone
Samuel set up to
commemorate
God's help:

Here I raise my ebenezer*
Hither by thy help I've come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let thy goodness like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above

PRAYER FOR PURITY

Let us pray.

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.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

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*When we confess our sins to God we are not groveling in guilt; we are dealing with our guilt. If we deny our sins, we will never be free from them.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN*

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If you're able please kneel and silently confess your sins against God and your neighbor.

Almighty 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.

*Only God can forgive sins. In announcing God's forgiveness, pastors obey Christ's command to his ministers to pronounce Christ's forgiveness on his behalf (John 20:23).

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS*

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Please stand.

THE PSALM

Lord, open our lips.

^oPsalm 51:15

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.^o

The earth is the Lord's for he made it:

O come, let us adore him.

*When LORD is printed in small capital letters, it is the personal name for the one true God, the creator of heaven and earth and all things. In the original language it was likely pronounced yahweh.

Psalm 25:1 To you, O LORD*, I lift up my soul.

***² O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.***

³ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

***⁴ Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.***

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.

***⁶ Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your
steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.***

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth or my
transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

***⁸ Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.***

⁹ He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

***¹⁰ All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and
faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his
testimonies.***

¹¹ For your name's sake, O LORD,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.

***¹² Who is the man who fears the LORD?
Him will he instruct in the way that he should
choose.***

¹³ His soul shall abide in well-being,
and his offspring shall inherit the land.

***14 The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him,
and he makes known to them his covenant.***

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

The earth is the Lord's for he made it:
O come, let us adore him.

*Since God first gathered a people to himself, a fundamental part of public worship has been that his people pray together. In the presence of God, we ask for ourselves and on behalf of others those things that are necessary for our life and salvation.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and, that we may receive what we ask, teach us by your Holy Spirit to ask only those things that are pleasing to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the same Spirit lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

We encounter our risen Lord in Scripture. As a people defined by God's Word, we respond to God through confession of faith, corporate prayer, and a demonstration of our reconciliation with one another in passing the peace of Christ.

DEUTERONOMY 30:9-14

After the Scripture is read:

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

COLOSSIANS 1:1-14

After the Scripture is read:

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

LUKE 10:25-37

Before the Scripture is read:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Scripture is read:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Please stand.

*The Nicene Creed has been prayed and recited since AD 325. It is the most widely used encapsulation of the essential and unifying beliefs of Christianity.

THE NICENE CREED*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

*Catholic here means that every local church founded on the gospel is part of the one universal church founded by God through Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*We close by praying together for the mission of the Church.

*This ancient tradition is rooted in Luke 24:36-49. In these words we hear the promise that the dark side of life in the world and in us will not prevail. The power of the evil one has been overcome.

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*

The leader will invite us to pray.

. . .

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone works great marvels: Send down upon our clergy and the congregations committed to their charge the life-giving Spirit of your grace, shower them with the continual dew of your blessing, and ignite in them a zealous love of your Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us greet one another in the name of our Lord.

Greet those around you with some version of these words:
“The peace of Christ be with you.”

Parents pick up infants and toddlers from upstairs at this time.

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

Ephesians 5:2 “Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”

JESUS WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS

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Hallelujah what a Savior
Hallelujah what a friend
Saving helping keeping loving
He is with me to the end

Jesus what a friend for sinners
Jesus lover of my soul
Friends may fail me foes assail me
He my Savior makes me whole

Jesus what a strength in weakness
Let me hide myself in him
Tempted tried and often failing
He my strength my victory wins

Jesus what a help in sorrow
While the billows o'er me roll
Even when my heart is breaking
He my comfort helps my soul

Jesus I do now receive him
More than all in him I find
He hath granted me forgiveness
I am his and he is mine

Please stand.

BLESS THIS OFFERING, O LORD

Words and Music: Unknown.

Bless this offering O Lord
And let it multiply within your hands
Feed the hungry with the bread of life
And let us see your mercies
A taste of things in store
We offer up this sacrifice to you O Lord

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

God welcomes his people to feast at his table. This meal, a means of grace for all who receive by faith, is a rehearsal of the central act of the Christian faith: Christ's death on the cross — his body broken and his blood shed as a sacrifice for our sins.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

. . .

*Hosanna is a Hebrew word that carries a twofold meaning: to praise Jesus as the Son of God sent to save us and to cry out to Jesus for that salvation.

***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
Hosanna, hosanna, in the highest***

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory***

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

. . .

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

. . .

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

***Our Father, who is in heaven,
hallowed be your Name.***

***Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.***

***Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.***

***And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.***

***For yours is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.***

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

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Lamb of God you take away
The sins of the world
Have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away
The sins of the world
Have mercy on us

Lamb of God you take away
The sins of the world
Grant us peace

*If you desire prayer
for any reason,
eucharistic prayer
ministers are ready
to pray with you
in the lobby while
communion is being
served.

THE DISTRIBUTION*

All baptized Christians who come with faith in Christ and repentance for sin are welcome to share in this feast. If for any reason you would prefer to abstain, cross your arms over your chest, and one of the servers will pray a blessing for you.

Come forward to receive communion row by row. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, take a small cup at the front of the aisle as you go forward. When arriving at the front of the communion line, place your hands in front of you to receive a piece of bread, and consume it. After receiving the bread, proceed to the first server to take a drink from the common cup (please do not dip your bread) or to the second server with your plastic cup to receive a pour of wine. Grape juice is available at the far right station and is available poured only.

MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Graham Kendrick. CCLI # 7024758.

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in him no other
My soul is satisfied in Him alone

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us at the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed my ransom paid at the cross

SURELY

Kate Bluett, Isaac Wardell, Nick Chambers, Paul Zach. CCLI License 11069486.

Surely it is God who saves us
Surely it is God who saves us
Trust the Lord, don't be afraid
He's lifting us up

With joy, with joy
We will draw water from the well
We will draw water from the well of salvation

With joy, with joy
He will set a table for us all
Pourin' the wine now let it flow in celebration

And we'll fly, we'll fly
Through the morning and the night
Through the darkness and the light to salvation

And we'll fly, we'll fly
When he makes our darkness bright
Where the bridegroom meets the bride in celebration

Lift up your hearts, lift up your hearts
Lift up your hearts in celebration
Lift up your hearts, lift up your hearts
Lift up your hearts in celebration
We will lift them up to the Lord
We will lift them up to the Lord
We will lift them up in celebration

HIS MERCY IS MORE

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What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many his mercy is more

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.*

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING AND COMMISSIONING

Please stand.

All our problems:

We send to the cross of Christ!

All our difficulties:

We send to the cross of Christ!

All the devil's works:

We send to the cross of Christ!

All our hopes:

We set on the risen Christ!

. . .

Let us go forth into the world, knowing Christ and
making him known.

Thanks be to God.

NEWS AND EVENTS

Parent Class: Intro to Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

Parents and guardians of children ages 0-9 are invited to join us for an intro to the Atrium class on July 19th from 9am - 11am. The class will be led by Paula Cook and Lindsay Finnegan. Coffee, donuts, and childcare will be provided. Please email Susannah* to RSVP to let her know if you can attend this class and if you need childcare.

Church Center Update!

Our sermons are now available on our app, website, or wherever you listen to podcasts! Parents and guardians can also check-in children for childcare on the app.



Also on Church Center:

- Request access to the church directory
- Donate and view your personal giving records
- View your volunteer schedule
- Check-in your children for children's programming

Please make sure your address and household information are accurate, confirm your privacy settings, and upload a profile picture. Contact Charity Brubaker* with any questions!



Connect with Us!

If you are new to Incarnation, please take a moment to scan the QR code or fill out a paper form at the sanctuary side exits. We'd love to get to know you more and help you get connected.

Missions Conference

New Wineskins 2025 Hope for the Nations global mission conference will take place from September 17-20 at the Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC. Sign up today!



** Staff email addresses can be found on the back cover of the worship guide.*

There is no children's programming for ages 4-12 during the summer.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

All children's ministry is staffed by trained and screened volunteers.

Nursery: Also open for parents/caretakers and infants, anytime during the service for nursing or fussy babies. Located upstairs, midway down the hall to your left. Available throughout the service. You can bring your child prior to the service. Pickup at the Peace.

Toddler Room: For steady walkers up to 3 years old. Located upstairs; last classroom on the right. Check-in located outside the classroom. You can bring your child prior to the service. Pickup at the Peace.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July 19 Parent and Guardian Intro Course: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

July 20 First Sunday with our new rector, Matt Wilcoxon

July 21 CASA Volunteer Interest Meeting

Aug 24 Fall Kick-off Party



**COTI
CALENDAR**



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