Episcopal Church of the Incarnation



Easter Season 10:30 Service Booklet

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We love and serve the Lord by loving and serving others.

Holy Eucharist

The Word of God

The Processional Hymn (see colored insert for hymn number)

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen. *People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant may say

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*.

Song of Praise

[H] 213, stanzas 1-2



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The people stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

The Collect of the Day (printed on colored insert)

The First Lesson (printed on colored insert)

The people sit.

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (printed on colored insert)

The Second Lesson (printed on colored insert)

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

The Children's Sermon

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for a brief message just for them. Afterward, those age three through second grade may follow their teachers to Children's Chapel. They'll rejoin their families at the Peace.

The Gradual Hymn (see colored insert for hymn number)

The Gospel (printed on colored insert)

People

All standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ______. Glory to you, Lord Christ. After the Gospel, the Reader says

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

The Sermon Hymn (see colored insert for hymn number)

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

All stand.

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.
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, Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments. We pray for President Biden, Congress, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for those on our parish prayer list, those on the confidential Daughters of the King prayer list, and our homebound friends and those with long-term needs. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We remember those who have died. Give to the departed, eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We pray for our Bread from Heaven family's needs. We ask your special blessing on those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, on those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week, on those whose jobs place them in harm's way, and on and those expecting children.

The Celebrant adds the concluding collect:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful 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.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

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

Then the Ministers and People may exchange with strangers and friends a sign of the Peace of Christ.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with the following sentence of Scripture.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an
offering and sacrifice to God.Ephesians 5:2

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Offertory Anthem or Hymn (see colored insert for anthem or hymn number)

Presentation Hymn

Hymn 213, Stanza 5

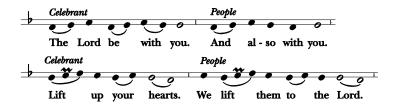


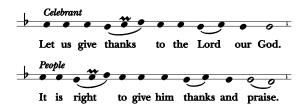
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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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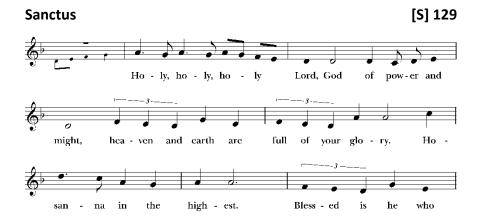


Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





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The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

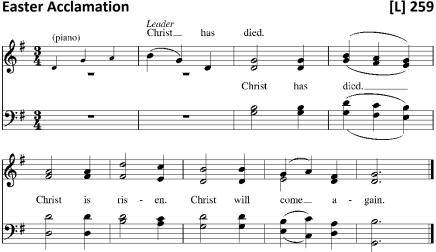
He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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."

Celebrant and People



Easter Acclamation

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The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.



The Celebrant says

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

The Lord's Prayer

People and Celebrant

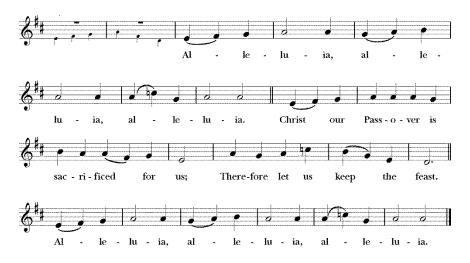
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem



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Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Episcopal Church invites all baptized persons of any age to receive Communion. To receive the consecrated bread, extend your hands upward with palms crossed. When receiving the wine, please guide the chalice to your lips by grasping the base of it. If you prefer not to receive Communion, you may come to the altar rail and fold your arms across your chest to receive a blessing from the priest. If you are unable to come to the altar rail to receive Communion, please let a greeter know so the sacrament may be brought to you at your seat.

Communion Hymns (see colored insert for hymn numbers)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and 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.

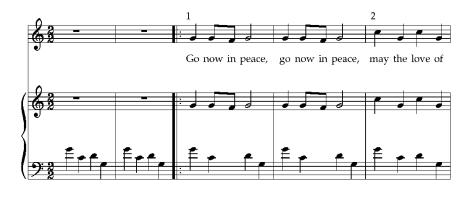
The Priest blesses the people.

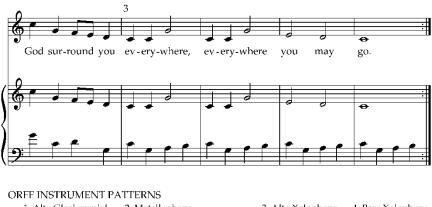
God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, raise you up to walk with him in the newness of his risen life; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Processional Hymn (see colored insert for hymn number)

Dismissal

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The accompaniment may be keyboard, handbells, or Orff instruments.

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The Deacon or Priest says

Thanks be to God. People Alleluia! Alleluia!

Divine Purpose Statement

We are here to love and serve the Lord by loving and serving others.

WE BELIEVE we are a welcoming, non-judgmental, loving, special place to meet God who is love.

WE WORSHIP God in a simple manner through a variety of forms, changing the ritual as the church seasons change. Worship is centered around the Word of God and the Eucharist.

WE SERVE anyone who's hungry, either spiritually or physically, following God's command to love all our neighbors.

Vestry Stewardship Covenant

WE BELIEVE that God is present in our decision-making process and that God is leading us to be a faithful community of worshipers committed to living the Gospel by sharing our gifts and talents with members and nonmembers alike.

WE COMMIT to supporting the ministries of the Church of the Incarnation, to having the faith that God will take care of us abundantly, and to sharing with others out of that abundance.

WE INVITE the community to partner with us as we step out in faith, affirm our belief that God calls us to cast aside fear and self-concern, and seek first the kingdom of God's care and love for all.

Regular Schedule of Services

Monday through Friday:

8:00am Morning Prayer livestreamed on Facebook

Sundays:

8:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite I in the Church
	(quiet and contemplative)
9:30am	Coffee Hour and Christian Formation
	or breakfast on the 1st Sunday of each month
10:30am	Holy Eucharist Rite I in the Church
	with Nursery and Children's Chapel
	also livestreamed on Facebook

Prayer Group

In case of emergencies, confidential prayer requests can be sent out to the Daughters of the King, a group of women committed to praying confidentially for anyone in need of prayer. To add a name to the Daughters' list, fill out a prayer request card and place it in the offering plate – it will be sent to the Daughters. If the need is immediate, call the Rev. Jenny Gettys at 489-6183 and she'll get word out right away.

2024 Vestry

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Welcome to Incarnation!

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. Whether you are passing through, or this is the beginning of a longer relationship, welcome. You are today part of our family. We invite you to fill out one of the Welcome cards in the pew rack so that we can get to know you better. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate or handed to the priest after the service.

Restrooms and a water fountain are located on the left side of the long hallway between the church and the parish hall. The nursery and children's classroom are at the end of the shorter hallway, also to the left of the long hallway. The Greeters are eager to point you in the right direction and to answer any questions you may have.

The Episcopal Church invites all baptized persons of any age to receive Communion. Complete instructions are found on page 14 of this booklet.

Children in Worship

We love the joyful noise of children in worship! They're welcome to wander, chatter, and make themselves at home as they take in the sights and sounds of worship.

On the table in the Narthex (the entry hall) you'll find a variety of children's items like Children's Bulletins and Bible Story Books. We also have nursery care available for infants and toddlers through age 2.