



INCARNATION CHAPEL

A NEW WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY WITH JESUS AT THE CENTER

Eve of the Second Sunday After Epiphany And Commemoration of the Birthday of Martin Luther King Jr. January 17, 2025, 5:00 pm

Welcome *All remain seated*

Welcoming the sabbath:

How good and how pleasant it is when people dwell together in unity.

Come let us welcome the sabbath.

Shake yourself off, arise from the dust, put on your clothes of glory.

Come let us welcome the sabbath.

Wake up, wake up for your light has come, break out into song.

Come let us welcome the sabbath.

Why be downcast, why do you mourn?

Come let us welcome the sabbath

The Celebrant invites us to a brief period of silent prayer.

Service of light:

Please stand

You O Lord are my lamp.

You turn our darkness into light.

The celebrant prays

Blessed are you Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be glory and praise forever. From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is proclaimed in all the world. When the time had fully come, your unconquered Sun of Righteousness in whom the fullness of your glory dwells called us out of darkness into his own marvelous light. You gave him as a light to the nations, and by the outpouring of his anointing Spirit, you establish us as your royal priesthood. According to the riches of his glory may we be strengthened through his Spirit

that, rooted and grounded in love, our lives may bear witness to your truth, and our lips never cease to proclaim your praise now and forever. **Amen.**

We sing the following three times

Refrain

Christ, my hope, and Christ, my joy, Christ, my strength, and my
light, Christ, my con - fi - dence a - lone, in you I
trust and have no fear; in you I trust and have no fear.

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Collect of the day:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Let us pray:

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word:

All are seated

A Reading from The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (1:1-9)

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The musical score consists of three systems of two staves each. The first system has lyrics: "A - rise, shine, for your light has come, and the". The second system has lyrics: "A - rise, shine for your light has come, and the". The third system has lyrics: "glo - ry of the Lord has dawned up - on you. A". The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of one flat and a time signature of 8/8.

Words: Isaiah 60:1

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Psalm 40:1-12

I waited patiently upon the Lord; he stooped to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord. Happy are they who trust in the Lord! They do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

Response

Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God! how great your wonders and your plans for us! there is none who can be compared with you. Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! but they are more than I can count. In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure (you have given me ears to hear you); Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said, "Behold, I come.

Response

In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: 'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'" I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know. Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation. You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

Response

All stand as we sing:

G⁷ C⁶ G/D D⁷ G G⁷ C⁶ G/D D⁷ G
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-
 le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (1:29-42)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All may be seated for:

The Homily

Dawn Marie Goins

A period of silence follows the homily. Then the celebrant invites all to stand.

Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayers of the People

Reader:

We pray for the coming of God's kingdom. You sent your Son to bring good news to the poor, sight to the blind, freedom to the captives and salvation to your people: anoint us with your Spirit; rouse us to work in his name. Father, by your Spirit

bring in your kingdom.

Send us to tell the world the good news of your healing love. Father, by your Spirit:

bring in your kingdom.

Send us to those who mourn, to bring joy and gladness instead of grief. Father, by your Spirit

bring in your kingdom.

My brothers and sisters, what prayers do we bring before the throne of God's grace and mercy this evening? For whom shall we pray?

We add our own petitions either silently or aloud.

Collect commemorating the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Celebrant: Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Table

The Celebrant bids an Offertory Sentence. We offer the fruit of our life and labor as the table is prepared.

The cantor sings:

Deep river, my home is over Jordan, Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast, That promised land where all is peace?

Oh don't you want to go to that promised land, That land where all is peace?

Deep river, my home is over Jordan, Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

(Traditional Spiritual)

The cantor leads the congregation in singing the hymn as the altar is censed

Let us, who mystically repre-sent the Cherubim, and sing the thrice-ho - ly hymn
to the life - creating Tri - ni - ty, now set aside all earth - ly cares,
that we may welcome the King of all, invisibly escorted by an - gel - ic hosts. Al -
le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might, —
hea-ven and earth — are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in — the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. — Ho -
san - na in — the high - est, — ho - san - na in — the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.*

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

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.

Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.
God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

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 congregation receives communion as the cantor sings:

Precious Lord, Words and Music: Thomas A Dorsey

After communion we all stand to sing the following hymn

1. When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land, let my peo-ple go;
 2. The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo-ple go;
 3. They jour - neyed on at his com - mand, let my peo-ple go;
 4. Oh, let us all from bond - age flee, let my peo-ple go;

1. op - pressed so hard they— could not stand, let my peo-ple go.
 2. to lead the chil - dren of Is - rael through, let my peo-ple go.
 3. and come at length to— Ca - naan's land, let my peo-ple go.
 4. and let us all in— Christ be free, let my peo-ple go.

Go down,— Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;—

tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo-ple go.

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Let us pray:

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word, the bread of life. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements *Please be seated*

Then all stand as the Celebrant bids a Blessing over the people

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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Peace be up - on you, min-is - ter-ing an - gels, Mes-sen-gers of the most - high! -
Bless us with peace, O min-is - ter-ing an - gels Mes-sen-gers of the most - high! -

From the - King who reigns a-bove all oth-er kings the Ho - ly one, bles - sed is He.
From the - King who reigns a-bove all oth-er kings, the Ho - ly one, Bles - sed is He.

Come in peace O An - gels, mes-sen-gers of peace - An-gels of the Lord Most High.
Lav - ish us with peace, O - min - is - ter-ing an - gels, An-gels of the Lord Most High.

From the King who reigns ab-ove all ot-her kings, the Ho - ly one Bles-sed is He.
From the King who reigns ab-ove all ot-her kings, the Ho - ly one, Bles-sed is He.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We invite everyone to share a simple Sabbath meal!

Special thanks to this evening's guest preacher: Dawn Goins, a retired attorney, is blessed to be working in ministry, on a part-time basis, as a Chaplain at Catholic Health's Mercy Hospital in Rockville Centre, New York. Dawn is working toward earning the 2000 hours needed for board certification by the Association for Protestant Chaplains.

Upcoming:

Basic Christian Formation: an intensive course to engage questions of faith from a Christian perspective in the Anglican tradition. It will provide you with opportunities to form relationships with fellow explorers on the same journey. It will also help prepare you for baptism, Confirmation, or Reception in the Episcopal Church, or if you want to begin again in deepening your faith. Sunday mornings at 10:15 at the Mercer School of the Cathedral campus. For more information contact Fr. Mark.

Candlemas, Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple: Saturday evening January 31, a festive service of light. The last feast in the liturgical Christmas cycle. We will also bless candles to light our homes.

Reminders: During this Epiphany Season, we invite you to join the work of the Magi and make a financial gift through an annual pledge to support the work of the Chapel and the Cathedral. Pledge cards are on the welcome table.

We continue to collect gifts to help our neighbors in need: warm socks, gloves, hats for children and adults, along with baby supplies and feminine hygiene items. Please place them in the basket in the chapel – See Dawn Goins for more information.

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