HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Fourteenth Sunday in Pentecost

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 | 10:15 AM

Today

8:00 AM: WORSHIP CHRIST CHAPEL 8:45 AM: DONUTS PROVIDED BY THE CHURCH BISHOP COMMONS 9:00 AM: FORMATION 10:15 AM: WORSHIP NAVE 5:00 PM: SPANISH-SPEAKING WORSHIP NAVE 6:00 PM: CELTIC STYLE WORSHIP CHRIST CHAPEL

Welcome

Holy Innocents is a place to gather as a faith community, where we sing and celebrate, think and talk, laugh and cry, and pray. Together we discover that we are all beloved children of God. With open minds and full hearts, we grow closer to God and to one another. We know we do not have all the answers. We are comfortable with the mystery of the Holy Spirit, alive and active in every person and in the world. Join us as we gather to worship God and serve our neighbors.

Newcomers

If this is your first time with us, we invite you to fill out a newcomer card in the pew rack or online and come by the welcome table near the front door and introduce yourself. No matter your age, gender, orientation, or political or sports team affiliation, you are welcome at communion. Our clergy are always available to answer any questions. We're so glad you're here.

Giving

Jesus understood the power of gratitude and sharing all that God has gifted to us. Your generosity enables us to continue our programs to follow the way of Jesus and to love God by serving our neighbors. Use this QR code to give.

Childcare

We love children of all ages in worship. You may prefer to let our attentive professional Nursery staff care for your young ones under four years old. The nursery is available from 8:00 AM through 10:15 AM worship.



The people stand as they are able at the sound of the bell.

Our music is in the blue hymnal.

The peoples' responses are in bold.

Our service is taken from the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) in the pew rack. Prelude | Prelude on "The Eighth Tune" PAUL MANZ

Hymn 379 God is Love ABBOT'S LEIGH

Opening Acclamation | BCP 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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 Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

The First Lesson | Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship The people may be seated.

God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,

and this my title for all generations.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvelous works.

Glory in his holy Name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgments of his mouth, O offspring of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen.

He is the Lord our God; his judgments prevail in all the world.

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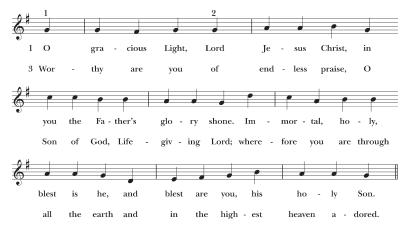
The Second Lesson | Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

1x choir, 2x all; thereafter, all Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Hymn 25 O Gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ The Eighth Tune BEFORE THE GOSPEL: VS. 1 (SUNG TWICE: 1X UNISON, 2X CANON) AFTER THE GOSPEL: VS. 3 (SUNG TWICE: 1X UNISON, 2X CANON)



The Gospel | Matthew 16:21-28

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block During the Gospel processional, children ages Pre-K through 5th grade are invited to follow the cross to attend Children's Chapel.

The children will return during the peace.

The Gospel Procession reminds us that it is our responsibility to carry the Good News of Jesus Christ into all the world.

We stand, as we are able, to listen to this reading. Some will trace a cross with their thumb over their forehead, lips, and heart. This "enacted prayer" asks that the Gospel be inscribed in our minds, spoken with our lips and loved in our hearts. to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

The people are seated.

The people stand.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The people are seated.

The Sermon | The Rev. Dr. Bill Murray RECTOR

The Nicene Creed | BCP 358

The Prayers of the People | BCP 387

Confession of Sin | BCP 360

The Peace | BCP 360

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

We gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give. All are invited to make a gift to support our ministry as the plate is passed or online with the QR code on page 1.

Offertory Anthem | Ubi caritas PAUL MEALOR

SOLOIST, SOPHIA TOLEDO

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Where true love and charity are found, God is there.

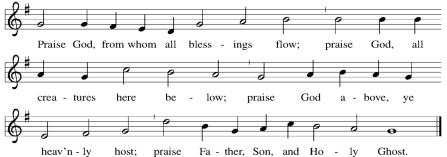
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. The love of Christ has gathered us into one.

Exsultemus et in ipso iucundemur. Let us rejoice and be glad in Christ.

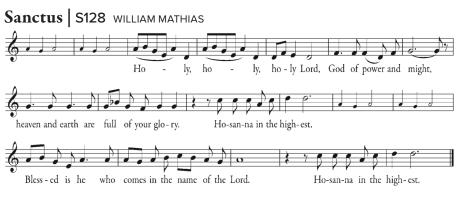
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum, et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Let us fear and love the living God, and care for one another with sincere hearts. LATIN, 9TH C.

Presentation Hymn

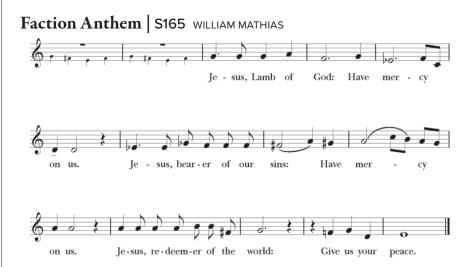


The Great Thanksgiving | BCP 361 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A



The Lord's Prayer | BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread



Invitation to Holy Communion

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Communion. Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please notify a minister. Receiving the bread is full participation in the Eucharist. Wine is also available. If you prefer to receive a blessing, rather than the Eucharist, indicate this by placing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

Hymn 581 Where Charity and Love Prevail CHESHIRE

Communion Motet | Ubi caritas MAURICE DURUFLÉ Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Where true love and charity are found, God is there.

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Please move to the altar rail at the direction of the ushers.

After receiving communion feel free to light a candle for someone you love or seek prayer from one of our healing ministers.

 Sending forth of Holy Communion In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to our friends, that they may share with us in the sacrament of our Savior Jesus Christ. We who are many are One Body, because we all share one Bread, and one Cup.
The Postcommunion Prayer BCP 365
The Blessing
Hymn 450 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name coronation
The Dismissal Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.
Postlude Postlude on All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name DAVID CHERWIEN

We are here for you.

If you have a pastoral emergency at any time, please call the church office and follow the prompts. You will immediately be connected to Bill, Stewart or Ruth, who take turns being on-call. The word "pastor" is the Latin word for shepherd. The Community of Hope at Holy Innocents is a community of lay persons in the parish who have been deeply and thoroughly trained in the care and practice of being a pastor. If you would like to talk or pray with a lay pastoral caregiver, please email *CoH@holyinnocents.org*

The people stand.



HI-Lights Opportunities to worship, connect and serve. Ministry Fair | September 10

There are numerous groups where you can worship, connect, and serve! During Formation time, Inglett Hall will be transformed into a Ministry Fair where each group will have a booth and you can learn more about ways to get involved at the church. We are enthusiastic about our ongoing growth and community involvement, and we invite you to join us in this journey.

FOMA: Spelman College Glee Club | September 17

It's no secret that our congregation LOVES to sing "Lift Every Voice and Sing" (LEVAS). On Sunday, Sep 17, our choir will be joined by the Spelman College Glee Club. I bragged on you and they agreed that we, then, should sing LEVAS together - it will be our closing hymn that day. Dr. Sean Vogt will be at the organ, Dr. Kevin Johnson will be at the piano, and our combined Sopranos and Altos, along with you all, should come ready to...Lift Every Voice and Sing! The Spelman College Glee Club is also one of country's best treble choirs. They've given command performances at the White House for Barack Obama, taken multiple international tours, along with many other accolades, and will celebrate their 100th anniversary in 2024. 10:15am: Worship with Spelman College Glee Club, 2:30pm: Spelman College Glee Club concert.

Dollywood Trip | November 3-5

All 6th-12th graders are invited for a weekend of fun and fellowship in Pigeon Forge, TN. The cost is \$375 plus extra cash for fast food on the way there and back. We'll head to our beautiful Airbnb on Friday night, spend all day Saturday exploring the rides, and head back Sunday after a devotional in Smoky Mountain Park. Friends are welcome to join us but must attend 3 youth group events before we depart. Register by September 24.

Iconography Workshop | October 23-27

Internationally known iconographer Mary Jane Miller will lead an icon workshop at Holy Innocents. Our focus for the week will be Mary Magdalene, the Apostle to the Apostles. Each day we will learn how to paint and reflect on the image from 9:00 AM to 4:00 AM with ample breaks for lunch and snacks. No skill level is needed or required. The joy of this process is learning and growing together. The \$485 fee includes all supplies and lunch. All that is needed is a willingness to learn. Only 7 spots left, sign up on our website.



Community of Hope

The Community of Hope at Holy Innocents' is a group which serves others through compassionate listening. Members complete a fourteen week training program which is rooted in the timeless principles of Benedictine spirituality, and which is designed to equip participants to disclose God's love to others.

The HIEC group meets several times each year for continuing education, prayer, and worship. Want to learn more? Ask any of our COH members for more information. We anticipate a new training series will be scheduled for early 2024.

Contact Karen Calhoun | kncalhoun@yahoo.com

Upcoming Opportunities

Learn more | holyinnocents.org/calendar

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 10 Ministry Fair

SEPTEMBER 11 Reading Connections VG: Judie Jacobs and Mary Jane Miller

SEPTEMBER 12 Men's Dinner and a Book

SEPTEMBER 13 GLOW

SEPTEMBER 15 Men of HI: Third Friday

SEPTEMBER 17 FOMA: Spelman College Glee Club Youth Group

SEPTEMBER 24 Youth Group: Restore

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 1 Kirkin' o' the Tartans Spaghetti Lunch OCTOBER 3 HI-Young Adults: Pumpkin Paint and Sip

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october 11 Real Talk

OCTOBER 18 Women of HI Chili Cook Off

OCTOBER 19 VG Opening: Judie Jacobs & Mary Jane Miller

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OCTOBER 22 Stewardship Ingathering Youth Group: Six Flags

OCTOBER 23-27 Icon workshop

OCTOBER 25 Real Talk

OCTOBER 29 Fall Festival





Connect

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