



HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY IN EASTER
APRIL 21, 2024 | 10:15 AM

Today

8:00 AM: WORSHIP CHRIST CHAPEL

8:45 AM: DONUTS PROVIDED BY WOMEN OF HI 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 | Præludium in C, BuxWV 137 DIETRICH BUXTEHUDE

Hymn 646 | The King of Love My Shepherd Is DOMINUS REGIT ME

Easter Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.**

Gloria S278 | WILLIAM MATHIAS

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his
peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:
re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,
with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

The Collect

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

The First Lesson | Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people may be seated.

Psalm 23 | HYLTON STEWART

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture,
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul, and bring me forth in the paths of
righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I
will fear no evil; for thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff comfort
me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me, against them that trouble
me; thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me, all the days of
my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Glory be to the father, and to the son, and to the holy ghost. As it
was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end.
Amen.

The Second Lesson | 1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we
ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love
abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or
sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth
and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth
and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts
condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows
everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have
boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask,
because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the
name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has
commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him,
and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us,
by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 49 | Come, Let Us With Our Lord Arise MEADVILLE

VV 1-2 BEFORE, VS. 3 AFTER

The Gospel | John 10:11-18

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

Glorify to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon | The Rev. Ruth Pattison ASSOCIATE RECTOR

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.**

The people stand.

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.

The people are seated.

The people stand.

**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

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

Shepherding God, gather your church whenever we wander from you and one another. Empower our church in ministries around the world to worship and serve alongside global companions as equal partners and coworkers in the gospel.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, preserve the health of biomes and ecosystems. Inspire scientists, researchers, conservation organizations, and all people entrusted with the task of caring for creation, that we may be better stewards of the world around us.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, lead nations and communities to share resources, cooperate in solving conflicts, and listen to the wisdom of Indigenous peoples. Help all those with power to share it and to use such power for good.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, protect the very young and the very old, those living without housing, victims of domestic abuse, and all who live with chronic illness or compromised immune systems. We remember those on our prayer list. Guide communities to actively care for people who are vulnerable.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, help this and all communities of faith to listen for your voice. Call us away from things that distract us from following you. Invite us to more deeply love and serve people who are lonely, isolated, and on the margins. We remember those in countries torn by war and strife especially Haiti, Ukraine and the Middle East and those seeking to bring peace.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Living God, we give thanks for our ancestors in faith who labored to help generations understand the good news of the gospel. Strengthen us to share the good news in our own day.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

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

Welcome and Announcements

The people are seated.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

At 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. An offering is received to support Holy Innocents' ministry of sharing God's love. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed or with QR code on page 1.

Offertory Anthem | The Lord Is My Shepherd HOWARD GOODALL

Presentation Hymn | LAßT UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a -bove ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly
 Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The Great Thanksgiving | EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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 God 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.

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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus | S128 WILLIAM MATHIAS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven 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.

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.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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. **AMEN.**

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

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. Then all sing.*

The Fraction Anthem | SINE NOMINE, CARL DAW, JR.

God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

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.

Invitation to Holy Communion

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Communion. Please move to the altar rail at the direction of the ushers. 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, indicate this by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

Communion Hymn 664 | My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

RESIGNATION

Communion Anthem | Psalm 23 (Dedicated to My Mother)

BOBBY MCFERRIN

The Lord is my shepherd, I have all I need
She makes me lie down in green meadows,
Beside the still waters she will lead.

She restores my soul, she rights my wrongs.
She leads me in a path of good things,
And fills my heart with songs.

Even though I walk through a dark and dreary land,
There is nothing that can shake me;
She has said she won't forsake me, I'm in her hand.

She sets a table before me, in the presence of my foes.
She anoints my head with oil, and my cup overflows.

Surely, surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of
my life; And I will live in her house forever, forever and ever.

Glory be to our mother, and daughter, and to the Holy of Holies,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.

Sending forth of Holy Communion

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

Let us pray. **Shepherding God,
you have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.
Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.
Amen.**

The people stand.

Blessing

Hymn 205 | Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing GELOBET SEI GOTT

The Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude | Ciacona in C, BuxWV 137 DIETRICH BUXTEHUDE

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