



HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
AUGUST 24, 2025 | 10:15 AM

Today

8:00 AM: WORSHIP CHRIST CHAPEL

8:45 AM: BREAKFAST HOSTED BY THE USHERS AND GREETERS BISHOP COMMONS

9:00 AM: FORMATION INGLETT HALL

10:15 AM: WORSHIP NAVE

1:00 PM: SPANISH-SPEAKING WORSHIP NAVE

4:00 PM: YOUTH GROUP FROST YOUTH CENTER

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.*

*The liturgy is found
in the red Book of
Common Prayer.*

Prelude | Andante tranquillo FELIX MENDELSSOHN

Hymn 390 | Praise to the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

Opening Acclamation | BCP 355

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 of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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 | Jeremiah 1:4-10

The people are seated.

The word of the Lord came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you,
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,

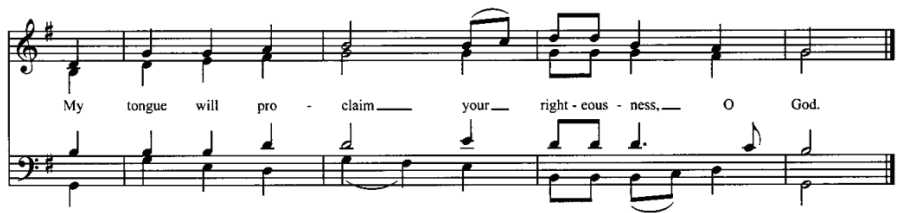
"Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

1x choir,
2x all;
thereafter, all.

Psalm 71: 1-6 | HACKETT, DAW



In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be ashamed.

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;
incline your ear to me and save me.

[ANTIPHON]

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;
you are my crag and my stronghold.

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

[ANTIPHON]

For you are my hope, O Lord God,
my confidence since I was young.

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength;
my praise shall be always of you.

[ANTIPHON]

The Second Lesson | Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one

who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 493 | O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

VS. 1-3 BEFORE, VS. 4-6 AFTER

The Gospel | Luke 13:10-17

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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 people are seated.

The Sermon | The Rev. Ruth Pattison ASSOCIATE RECTOR

The people stand as able.

The Nicene Creed | BCP 358

The Prayers of the People & Confession | BCP 392, FORM VI

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

The Peace | BCP 360

A Liturgy of Thanksgiving

Dear friends in Christ, today we give thanks for the faithful ministry of our sister, Valerie Elliott. For forty years she has cared for the youngest among us, creating a place of welcome, safety, and joy in our nursery. Her work has been a labor of love, and through it she has reflected the embrace of Christ himself, who said, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.”

Thanks be to God.

Valerie, on behalf of this parish, we honor you and give thanks to God for the countless children you have comforted, for the families you have supported, and for the love you have shown. As you enter into retirement, know that you remain an integral part of this community, cherished by all whom you have served so faithfully.

Let us pray. O God of all goodness and love, we bless you for the long and faithful service of your servant Valerie. We thank you for her devotion, her gentleness, and her steadfast care. Grant her joy in the memories of her ministry, rest from her labors, and delight in the new seasons that lie ahead. Surround her with the love of this community, and fill her heart with the peace of your abiding presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Valerie, may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you in this new chapter of life. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Welcome and Announcements

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 online with QR code on page one.

Offertory Anthem | Te Deum in Bb CHARLES VILLIERS STANFORD

We praise thee, O God, we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;
The Father of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true, and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When Thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,
Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death:
thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

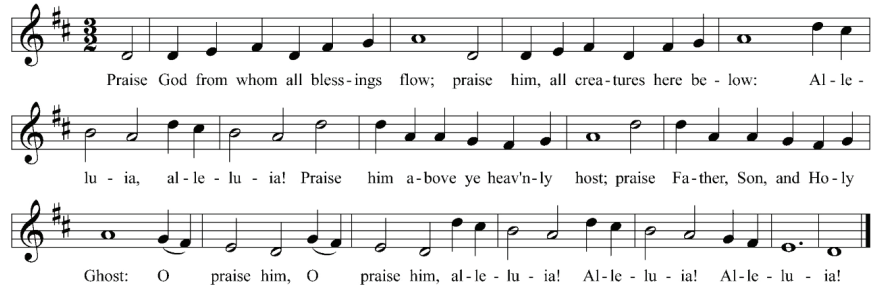
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom Thou hast
redeemed with Thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting.
O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.
Govern them, and lift them up forever.
Day by day, we magnify Thee; And we worship thy Name, ever world
without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
 O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee.
 O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

[Te Deum, Office of Matins]

The people stand as able.

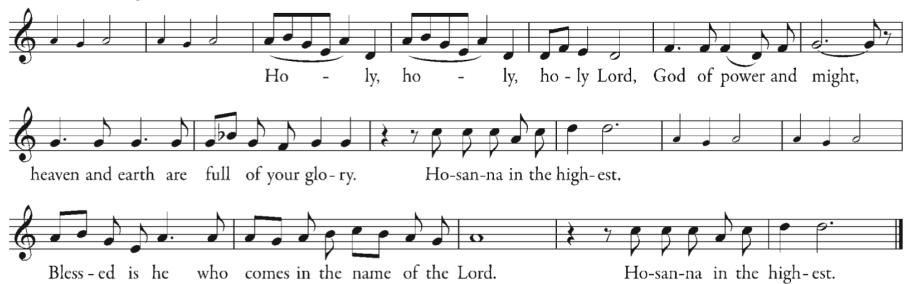
Presentation Hymn | LABT UNS ERFREUEN



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 | BCP 367 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 339 | Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness SCHMÜCKE DICH

Anthem | You Do Not Walk Alone ELAINE HAGENBERG

May you see God's light on the path ahead
when the road you walk is dark.
May you always hear even in your hour of sorrow,
the gentle singing of the lark.
When times are hard
may hardness never turn your heart to stone.
May you always remember when the shadows fall—
You do not walk alone.

[Irish Blessing]

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 473 | Holy, Holy, Holy NICAEA

The Dismissal

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

Postlude | Allegro maestoso, op.65/ii FELIX MENDELSSOHN





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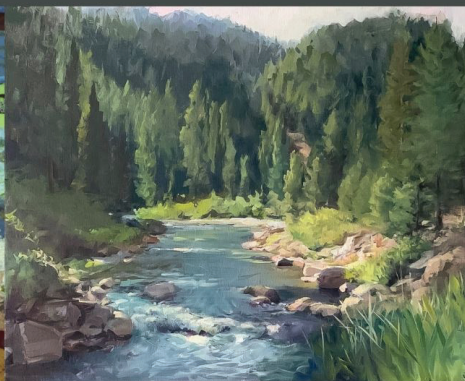
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featuring

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