

Today

8:00 AM: WORSHIP CHRIST CHAPEL 9:00 AM: FORMATION INGLETT HALL

10:15 AM: WORSHIP NAVE

11:15 AM: FALL FESTIVAL AND MINISTRY FAIR
1:00 PM: SPANISH-SPEAKING WORSHIP NAVE
3:00 PM: SANDRO RUSSO PIANO CONCERT 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.

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

Prelude | Largo HANDEL

Hymn 495 | Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus! IN BABILONE

Opening Acclamation | BCP 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

Gloria | S280 ROBERT POWELL

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The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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 people are seated.

The First Lesson | Joel 2:23-32

O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the Lord your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.

The threshing floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.



And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Then afterward

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;

your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.

Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 65 | said responsively by half verse.

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;

to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come,

because of their transgressions.

Our sins are stronger than we are,

but you will blot them out.

Happy are they whom you choose

and draw to your courts to dwell there!

they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.

Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,

O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

You make fast the mountains by your power; they are girded about with might.

You still the roaring of the seas,

the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.

Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs;

you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous;

the river of God is full of water.

You prepare the grain,

for so you provide for the earth.

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;

with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

You crown the year with your goodness,

and your paths overflow with plenty.

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,

and the hills be clothed with joy.

May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;

let them shout for joy and sing.

The Second Lesson | 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand as able.

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.

LEVAS 60 | How Great Thou Art SWEDISH FOLK MELODY

VV.1-2 BEFORE: VS. 4 AFTER



The Gospel | Luke 18:9-14

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

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'od, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon | The Rev. Dr. Bill Murray RECTOR

The Nicene Creed | BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For your holy Church throughout the world; that we may proclaim your Gospel with gratitude and grace, and live as faithful stewards of your abundance.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

For this parish of Holy Innocents—for the pledges we have offered and the hopes we carry forward; for the ministries that nurture faith, deepen fellowship, and serve our neighbors in love. Continue to make us one body. Together. For Good. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For our community and for all who labor for justice and peace; for those whose daily work builds up the common good, and for hearts willing to serve in places of need.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

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 as able.

For the beauty and order of your creation; for wisdom to live gently upon the earth, and for hands that plant, restore, and sustain life.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

For those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for the lonely, the anxious, and the weary; that your healing presence may renew their strength and bring them peace.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life— for this parish family, for the gift of belonging, and for the joy of walking together in faith and hope.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

We remember before you those who have died, and those whose faith has shaped our own. May they rest in your eternal love and rise in glory.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Loving God, source of all goodness and giver of every gift, accept the prayers and thanksgivings of your people. Grant that what we have pledged with our lips, we may fulfill with our lives, in the power of your Spirit and to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The people kneel or remain standing.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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 | BCP 360

Welcome and Announcements

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

The people are seated.

The Holy Communion

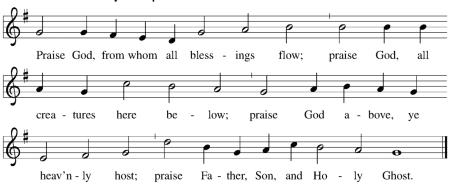
The Offertory

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 online with QR code on page one.

Offertory Anthem | O Radiant Dawn MACMILLAN

O Radiant Dawn, Splendour of eternal Light, Sun of Justice: Come, shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death. Isaiah had prophesied, The people who walked in darkness have seen the great light upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. Amen.

Presentation Hymn OLD 100TH



The Great Thanksgiving | BCP 367 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

The people stand as able.

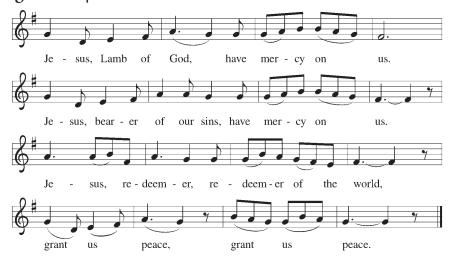
Sanctus | FRANZ SCHUBERT



The Breaking of the Bread

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

Agnus Dei | Jesus, Lamb of God FRANZ SCHUBERT



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.

Anthem | Jesus Christ the Apple Tree POSTON

Hymn 597 | O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines JERUSALEM

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 518 | Christ is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

The Dismissal

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

Postlude | Prelude in g minor BUXTEHUDE

The people stand as able.

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