

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

The peoples' responses are in bold.

Brass Prelude

Hymn 175 | Hail, Thee Festival Day SALVE FESTA DIES



The Easter Acclamation dates from the 3rd Century as the traditional celebration of a resurrection people.

Easter Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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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.

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Gloria S278 | WILLIAM MATHIAS



The Collect

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

The First Lesson | Isaiah 65:17-25

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; The people may be seated.

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,

or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it

an infant that lives but a few days.

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain,

or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord--

and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,

the lion shall eat straw like the ox;

but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy

on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

[1x: Organ, 2x: All, Thereafter, All]

ANTIPHON





Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures for ever."

ANTIPHON

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hand of the Lord is exalted!

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ANTIPHON

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

ANTIPHON

The Second Lesson | Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him

on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.





The Gospel | Luke 24:1-12

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body.

The people stand as able.

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

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.

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.

While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated.

The Sermon | The Rev. Dr. Bill Murray RECTOR

The people stand.

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. 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

United in the hope and joy of the Resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for theologians, preachers, and Sunday school teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do.

Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve farms, waterways, and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation.

Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world especially in Ukraine, Haiti, and the Middle East, that all experience the peace that only you can give.

Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for those on our prayer list, and the healthcare workers who care for them.

Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless our music ministries and all who foster our community's song.

Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

As you have raised Jesus from the dead, you show us your resurrection promise. With your holy ones who have sung your praise, free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news.

Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you**.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory | The loose plate offering will go to our Outreach ministries.

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 this QR code.

We omit the general confession because in the Easter season we pointedly remember the great act of Christ's life, death and resurrection for our forgiveness.

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

The people are seated.



Offertory Anthem | Sing Ye to the Lord EDWARD BAIRSTOW

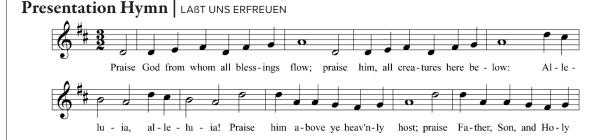
1. Sing ye to the Lord, For He hath triumphed gloriously. Pharoah's chariots and his host Hath He cast into the sea.

2. Mighty victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath Thee lie; Thou hast conquer'd in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light. 3. Now no more can death appal, Now no more the grave enthral, Thou hast open'd Paradise, And in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.

Alleluia, Amen.

[Exodus 15: 21,4; interpreted by Robert Campbell (1814-1868)]

The people stand.





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.

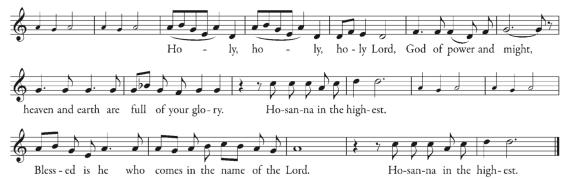
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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:





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.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrified 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.

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.

Communion Hymn | O God Beyond All Praising THAXTED



- 1. O God be-yond all prais ing, we wor-ship you to day
- 2. The flow'r of earth ly splen dor in time must sure ly die,
- 3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav ior, ac cept the love we bring,



and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can-not re - pay; its frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord most high; that we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;



for we can on-ly won-der at ev - ery gift you send, but hid - den from all na - ture th'e - ter - nal seed is sown and wheth - er our to - mor-rows be filled with good or ill,



at __ bless-ings with - out num-ber and mer-cies with-out end. though small in mor - tal stat-ure, to heav-en's gar-den grown: we'll tri-umph through our sor-rows and rise to bless you still,



We lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up-on your word; for Christ, the Man from heav-en, from death has set us free, to mar - vel at your beau-ty, and glo-ry in your ways,



we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might-y Lord. and we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry. and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise!

Easter Carol | This Joyful Eastertide CHARLES WOOD

This joyful Eastertide,
 Away with sin and sorrow!
 My Love, the Crucified,
 Hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.

2. My flesh in hope shall rest, And for a season slumber: Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number. Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.

Death's flood hath lost his chill,
 Since Jesus cross'd the river:
 Lover of souls, from ill
 My passing soul deliver.

Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.

[George Ratcliffe Woodward, "Carols for Easter and Ascension" (1894)]

Communion Anthem | Cornerstone Shawn Kirchner Soloists: Drequan Riley, Alexis Lundy

[REFRAIN]: O the stone that the builders rejected

became the cornerstone of a whole new world.

A grain of wheat may be knocked to the ground

And suffer through the winter's cold

Only to rise right up again

And bear its seed a thousandfold.

[REFRAIN]

The people stand.

Never shall our journey fail;

A little child shall lead the way

Whose eyes are filled with a shining light,

To whom the night is bright as day.

[REFRAIN]

The love that rolls the stone away

Gives us life that we may sing

"Grave, where is thy victory? Death, o death, where is thy sting?"

[REFRAIN]

[Psalm 118:22; Isaiah 11:6; John 12:24; 1 Corinthians 15:55]

The Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 207 | Jesus Christ is Risen EASTER HYMN



The Dismissal

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

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Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Welcome

We are a church with open minds and full hearts.

Scan this QR to fill out our newcomer card!

DAILY OPPORTUNITIES
9:00 AM | Morning Prayer
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WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES
See details at
holyinnocents.org/calendar

Mondays

8:30 AM | Women's Wisdom Circle 1:15 PM | Intercessory Prayer Group 12:00 PM | Brown Bag Bible Study

Tuesdays

First Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesdays

7:00 PM | Adult Choir Practice

Thursdays

9:30 AM | Women's Bible Study

Fridays

Third Fridays, 7:30-8:30 AM
Men of Holy Innocents

HI-Lights

Sharing opportunities to worship, connect and serve at Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church. Visit holyinnocents.org to sign up for th HI-lights weekly email.

WORSHIP

Join us again! | Sunday Worship and Formation

Each week we offer three unique opportunities to worship:

- 8:00 AM | Early Service
- 9:00 AM | Formation for all ages
- 10:15 AM | Family Service
- 1:00 PM | Spanish Service
- 6:00 PM | Celtic Service

Our worship draws on two thousand years of tradition and practice for our prayers and common worship. Access our live-stream archive and find ways to participate in worship on our website.

The Rev. Dr. Bill Murray | bmurray@holyinnocents.org

CONNECT

Men of HI Retreat | April 25-27

Gather at Lake Logan Episcopal Center for a weekend of renewal. Activities include hiking, golf, and fishing. Register on Realm.

John Harris | harris4338@gmail.com

Women of HI: Mahjong Game Night | May 2

Mahjong, a tile-trading game similar to Rummy or Bridge, is making a comeback in Atlanta. No experience needed—beginners will learn from expert Casey Freedman. If you're familiar with the game, come play a few rounds! Cost: \$65 for the lesson and your own Mahjong card. Free for experienced players.

Children's Vacation Bible School | June 2-6

This year's theme, based on Joshua 1:9, reminds kids that God is always with us. Open to rising Pre-K to 5th grade. Rising 6th grade + can be youth leaders. Cost: \$85 (optional aftercare available).