

WORSHIP CONNECT SERVE







WORSHIP

ACOLYTES

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Our youth can jump in on this opportunity anytime between grades 5-12. We have training classes available for them throughout the school year, as well as fun perks such as pizza parties, pool parties, and a trip to Six Flags.

ALTAR GUILD

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This faithful team cares for the altar, vestments, vessels, and altar linens of the parish. Members prepare the sanctuary and chapel for Sunday services as well as midweek school services and clean up afterwards. Each volunteer is assigned to a team that serves one weekend a month.

FLOWER GUILD

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Every week, our amazing Flower Guild arranges flowers to beautify our worship and fellowship spaces. Guild members are assigned to one of four teams and serve once a month. Everyone joins in the fun on Christmas and Easter. Some of our members are very experienced while others are still learning tricks of the trade. No matter your experience, we're hiring!

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The Rev. Ruth Pattison rpattison@holyinnocents.org Melody McNeil mmcneil@holyinnocents.org

LEMs are parishioners who go directly from Sunday liturgy to share the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion with those who cannot be present with the gathered church. They are sent out with the words: "We send you forth in peace with these holy gifts that those to whom you go may know we share one bread, one cup."

LECTORS

The Rev. Stewart Lucas slucas@holyinnocents.org

This is an opportunity to read from Holy Scripture during our Sunday services at 8:00am, 10:15am or 6:00 pm. Lectors, also known as lay readers, serve once every 4-6 weeks and may also read the Prayers of the People.

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MUSIC: ADULT CHOIR

Dr. Sean Vogt svogt@holyinnocents.org Cammie Ives cammieives@gmail.com

Joyful voices singers provide music each Sunday from mid-August through May, at the 10:15 AM service. Additional services during the expected seasons of Christmas and Holy Week. The repertoire encompasses all traditional-classical periods of church music from the 16th through the 20th centuries. A brief audition with the Director of Music is required, and at least minimal music reading skills are necessary.

MUSIC: CHILDREN'S CHOIR

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Children's Choir is open to elementary aged children. We meet at 9:00 AM and then transition immediately into Sunday School. We also have time together during Children's Chapel at the 10:15 AM service. Children's Choir sings during the 10:15 AM service every two months.

MUSIC: HANDBELLS

Ericka Stack ericka.palmer816@gmail.com Cammie Ives cammieives@gmail.com

Join our alto section leader, and director of handbells, Ericka Stack. Ringers play approximately four times annually with weekly rehearsals following the 10:15 AM service.

USHERS

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The ministry of the usher is largely one of hospitality. An usher may be the first person someone sees when arriving for worship. Ushers meet and greet in the name of Christ, distribute bulletins and direct worshipers to the altar rail for communion.

VERGERS

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Vergers assists the clergy in worship, especially in the marshaling of processions. The history of the verger dates back to the middle ages when the verger was the "Protector of the Procession," leading the way, making room for the procession to enter the church from the town square, and with his virge (mace) in hand would literally clear the way if necessary.

BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY

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Connect with others in the parish to discuss selected Biblerelated readings. Drop-ins are welcome! The group meets on most Mondays at noon when the church office is open. Joining us on Zoom is also an option.

COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

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The College Connections ministry at Holy Innocents' Church strives to maintain a connection between our college kids and their parish home while they are away at college. Periodically during the academic school year, cards and small gifts are sent by volunteer parishioners to let your child know that the members of Holy Innocents are thinking of and praying for them.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

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Education for Ministry (EfM) is a comprehensive four-year program designed to provide participants with a deep understanding of the Christian faith and its impact on their lives. The program is based on small-group study and practice, with each group mentored by an experienced leader. By exploring theology and spiritual practices in a supportive community, participants are encouraged to engage with their faith in a meaningful way and to apply it to their daily lives. The program meets on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-9:00 PM through the end of May and begins again in September.

FRIENDS OF MUSIC & THE ARTS

The Rev. Ruth Pattison rpattison@holyinnocents.org
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Music and art can heal us, set us free, plunge us deep into new insights, expand our souls, make us new, and help us fall in love with the God we seek to worship. Our aim is to create space that deepens and enriches our spirituality through the arts. Regular concerts and gallery shows take place in the church, Bishop Commons and the Ventulett Gallery.

VENTULETT GALLERY

Tom Ventulett designed the space as part of the church's 2012 renovation to showcase for local and regional talent. Our venue

provides for artistic expression that elevates and educates our parish and community about the power of art to inspire and promote curiosity. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the artwork support this ministry of hospitality.

Visit our website for upcoming dates or volunteer to share hospitality at our events. holyinnocents.org/foma

FOYERS GROUPS

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Foyers is a ministry that helps members of the church get to know one another. There is no agenda. Groups of 6-8 are randomly selected to meet for 6 months. Each group sets its own style. Some meet and the host prepares the meal; some have each couple bring part of the meal. How each group functions is up to the members. A casual meal and friendly conversation is a wonderful way to spend a couple of hours together.

HEALING PRAYER

Judy Fielder jpfcnm47@gmail.com

Prayers of healing and the laying on of hands are offered after communion in our side chapels. Members of this team usually meet monthly, often reflecting on a book and covenant with God and one another to daily prayer, study, and silence, as both an outward and visible sign of this ministry.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Betty Barstow bbarstow@bellsouth.net

The Intercessory Prayer Group meets on Mondays at 1:15 pm to pray for needs identified by parishioners and clergy. The group commits to pray daily for each request. Prayers are received by: calls into the church office, prayer cards filled out by Sunday worshipers, Clergy, or call/email to members of the Intercessory Prayer Group.

KNITTING/PRAYER SHAWLS

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Open to all, the Prayer Shawl Ministry offers a chance for service to others as well as a time for socializing. The Guild of Knitters meets monthly on the first Tuesdays of the month from 7:00-8:30pm and makes prayer shawls, which are kept at the church and delivered to those who are ill or grieving.

MEN'S DINNER AND BOOK GROUP

Jeremy Webber jhwwebber@gmail.com

The Men's Dinner and a Book group meet to discuss a book of the groups choosing. Each meeting is hosted by a different member. Group meets on the second Tuesday, every other month from 6:30-9:00 PM.

MEN OF HOLY INNOCENTS

Charles Crosby charles@corepm.net

A great way to connect with other guys in our church. Hospitality and lively discussion as well as breakfast. All men are welcome and invited to attend! Group meets on the third Friday of the month from 7:30-8:30am in the Frost Youth Center. All men of the church are also invited to the annual retreat at Lake Logan, North Carolina, usually in April.

PARISH LIFE

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Connect with other parishioners while planning church events where we can gather, eat and have fun! Periodic commitment throughout the year.

SECOND HALF

The Rev. Stewart Lucas slucas@holyinnocents.org

Our seniors, some retired, some still working, gather for occasional meals, services, concerts, reflection, speakers and just plain fun.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACH/ASSIST

Renee Stephens rstephens@holyinnocents.org

There are so many ways to get involved with the children's ministry. Become a small group leader! Ms. Renee prepares all of the curriculum, teaches the Bible lesson in a large group and then the kids break out into their small groups for further discussion and activities. Other ways to help are set up & decorating, serving snacks, organizing supplies, greeting families and crafting.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Jeannie Longley jeannielongley@gmail.com

This groups meets weekly on Zoom at 9:00 AM. We read and discuss the Gospel for the coming Sunday. All are welcome to join in as we explore together.

WELCOME TEAM

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A group dedicated to welcoming both new and current members, helping to integrate all into the life of the church.

WOMEN OF HOLY INNOCENTS

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Be sure to turn out for our first big event on October 18th, a Chili Cook-off to get things going! Lots of fun is in store this year with the addition of small events: a walk in the woods on a Saturday morning in November, a cookie swap and wisdom from Unplug the Christmas Machine, in December; Moveable Feast events when we cook together to support our pastoral ministries. Watch the calendar for a winter event, dinner and a speaker, and a "sound bath" in early spring to coincide with Lent.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

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Have you ever read a book and then asked others if they have read it because you wanted to hear their thoughts and opinions? Come join us on the second Monday of each month from 6:00 to 7:30 pm to share our impressions of the book, ask questions, provoke new ideas about relationships, humor, opportunities, the world, and our own aspirations.

WOMEN'S WISDOM CIRCLE

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Start your week with authentic, in-depth conversation in the light of wisdom sayings from throughout the ages. We invite you to share the questions, challenges and thanksgiving of our lives. The Wisdom Circle is open; so come as it fits into your schedule and bring a friend. This group meets virtually on Mondays from 8:30-9:30am. Contact Abbie to receive a link to the next meeting.

YOUNG ADULTS

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All twenty and thirty somethings are invited to join the Young Adults group! We will have fun events throughout the year, including Bible studies, and community building events.

YOUTH GROUP LEADER

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Do you enjoy talking through theological questions? Spend time with our 9th-12th graders! The teenage years are an emotional rollercoaster that bring questions of confidence, identity, and faith. Our student ministry provides a safe environment that helps our middle and high school students become young men and women of God. Through experiences that deepen their faith, connections are formed that last a lifetime. Consider joining our youth family on this wild ride. Sunday mornings, afternoons, and other fun outings.

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COMMUNITY OF HOPE

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Community of Hope International is comprised of laypeople who are called and trained to serve in all forms of pastoral care to members of our Holy Innocents 'church community as lay ministers. Pastoral care is when a person is "present" in a listening, compassionate, non-controlling manner to an individual or group, consciously or unconsciously representing God to them and seeking to respond to their spiritual needs. Community of Hope is based on the monastic Rule of St. Benedict, which emphasizes obedience, humility, and discipline.

JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA | FUNERAL MINISTRY

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St. Joseph of Arimathea was organized in 1993, to assist bereaving families at the time of the funeral. It derives its name from Joseph of Arimathea, a disciple of Jesus, who took away the body of Jesus, wrapped him in linen as was the custom, and laid him to rest in the sepulcher. Members of the Committee prepare and serve a reception following funerals.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

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This team monitors the church buildings and grounds, and advises the Vestry of issues regarding maintenance, repair or replacement. The volunteers communicate regularly with the church staff and organize work parties of volunteers for 'cleanup' tasks, and minor maintenance and repairs in the buildings and grounds.

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STEWARDSHIP

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Our personal response to God's generosity is evident in the way we share our resources of time, talent, and money to support the church. Stewardship reflects our commitment to making God's love known through the realities of human life and our use of all that God has given us. It is also our service to God's world and our care of creation. Parish members are encouraged to make an annual stewardship pledge. This team organizes the annual fall giving campaign and encourages the community to "work, pray, and give for the spread of the kingdom of God."

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

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God has blessed us to be a blessing. Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church is committed to sharing the overwhelming abundance God has showered on us with people who are in need in our community and beyond.

Through our partners, we provide support to our neighbors in need in the local community, greater Atlanta, as well as internationally. We give generously to organizations that provide necessities such as food, clothing, and other assistance to our neighbors. We continually seek and welcome new opportunities to serve.

Our community partners are:

- Childspring International
- The Church of the Common Ground
- The Community Assistance Center
- Emmaus House
- Forging Futures
- Habitat for Humanity
- Haiti Market Place Gonaives
- Hammer and Nails
- Horizons at Holy Innocents' Episcopal School
- LaAmistad
- Solidarity Sandy Springs Food Pantry

For more information visit holyinnocents.org/outreach

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