



# HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Wednesday in Holy Week

MARCH 27, 2024 | 6:00 PM

## Holy Week

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THURSDAY | 6:00 PM WORSHIP CHRIST CHAPEL  
FRIDAY | 12:00 PM WORSHIP NAVE  
SATURDAY | 7:00 PM WORSHIP NAVE  
SUNDAY | 8:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 6:00 PM WORSHIP

## Welcome

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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.



# Penitential Order: Rite II

**The Opening Acclamation** | Book of Common Prayer 351

**The Confession of Sin and Absolution** | BCP 352

**The Kyrie** | BCP 356

**The Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. Lord God, whose blessed Son our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Lesson** | Isaiah 49:1-7

The Lord God has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens--  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backward.

I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame  
he who vindicates me is near.

*The people are seated.*

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
It is the Lord God who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 70** | *spoken by whole verse.*

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;  
O Lord, make haste to help me.

**Let those who seek my life be ashamed  
and altogether dismayed;  
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune  
draw back and be disgraced.**

Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back,  
because they are ashamed.

**Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;  
let those who love your salvation say for ever,  
"Great is the Lord!"**

But as for me, I am poor and needy;  
come to me speedily, O God.

**You are my helper and my deliverer;  
O Lord, do not tarry.**

### **The Second Lesson** | 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand

signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand.*

## **The Gospel | John 12:20-36**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say-- 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has

come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

After Jesus had said this, he departed and hid from them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** | Taylor Irwin SEMINARIAN

*The people are seated.*

**The Nicene Creed** | BCP 358

*The people stand.*

**Prayers of the People, Form IV** | BCP 388

**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.*

## The Great Thanksgiving | BCP 367 Eucharistic Prayer B

### The Breaking of the Bread

#### 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.*

*The people stand.*

#### Postcommunion Prayer | BCP 365

#### Blessing

#### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Maundy Thursday | March 28**

**6:00 PM IN CHRIST CHAPEL AND LIVE-STREAMED** | Taken from the Latin *mandatum* or commandment, the service recalls Christ's commandment to love one another, and then the transition to betrayal and the arrest. Ruth preaches at this service which concludes with the stripping of the altar. All leave in silence just as Christ was left alone by those around him.

## **Vigil of the Sacrament**

**MARCH 28 UNTIL MARCH 29, 10:00 AM** | The reserve sacrament is taken to a small altar set up in the Oratory which is decorated as a garden. All are invited to come and watch with the Lord and spend time in prayer anytime through the night until the vigil ends with a brief service of Morning Prayer at 10:00 AM in Christ Chapel. Scan this QR code to sign up for an hour.



## **Good Friday | March 29**

**12:00 PM IN THE NAVE AND LIVE-STREAMED** | Marking the hour where Jesus hung on the cross, the church worships together in the church nave at noon with readings, preaching, and solemn prayers. Bill will preach at this is a difficult but important service to share as a community.

## **Easter Vigil | March 30**

**7:00 PM IN THE NAVE AND LIVE-STREAMED** | Perhaps the most triumphant and joyful service of the year, this service marks the moment when Jesus was raised from the dead to bring new life to the world. The Vigil begins in the Memorial Garden with a kindling of the new Paschal fire and gradually moves into the Church. With choir, organ, brass, chanting, incense, and the first Eucharist of Easter, we celebrate the defeat of death and the promise of new life. Stewart preaches and Ruth celebrates and baptizes her first grandchild!

## **Easter Day | March 31**

**8:00 AM: HOLY EUCHARIST IN CHRIST CHAPEL**

**9:30 AM: EASTER EGG HUNT**

**10:15 AM: HOLY EUCHARIST IN THE NAVE**

**11:15 AM: YOUTH EASTER EGG HUNT**

**5:00 PM: SPANISH SERVICE IN THE NAVE**

**6:00 PM: CELTIC SERVICE IN CHRIST CHAPEL**

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