

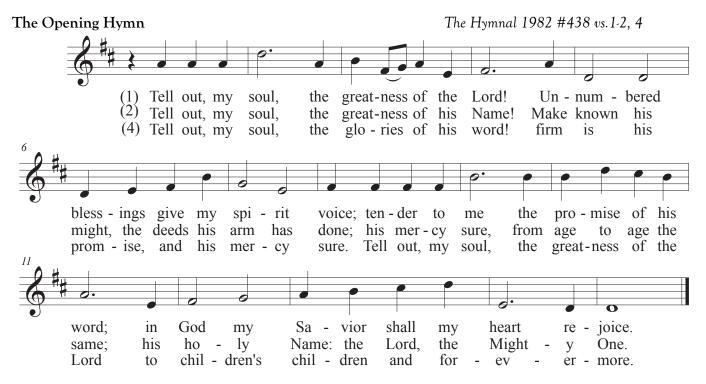
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 28, 2022 10:00 a.m.

The Congregation Gathers

Prelude Variations on Angelus (Be still, my soul, for God is near). by David N. Johnson (1922-87)

The Tolling of the Bell

Please stand as you are able



The Opening Acclamation

CelebrantBlessed be the one, holy, and living God.PeopleGlory to God for ever and ever.



Collect for Purity

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.

The Collect of the Day

CelebrantGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

Inviting God, laying open your table to the deviant and deranged, setting a place for the foreign and unwanted: overturn our tables of power and teach us to receive bread from strange and wounded hands; through Jesus Christ, the One given for all. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

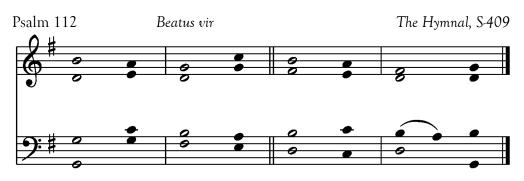
The First Reading

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,

Jeremiah 2:4-13

send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water. Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Reader Thanks be to God. People



- 1 Happy are they who fear the Most High* and have great delight in God's com-mandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land;* the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house,* and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright;* the righteous are merciful and full of com-passion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in **lending**^{*} and to manage their affairs with **justice**.
- 6 For they will never be **shaken**;* the righteous will be kept in everlasting re-membrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil **rumors;*** their heart is right; they put their trust in **God.**
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink,* until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the **poor**,*

and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.

10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine a-way;* the desires of the wicked will perish.

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

The Second Reading

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

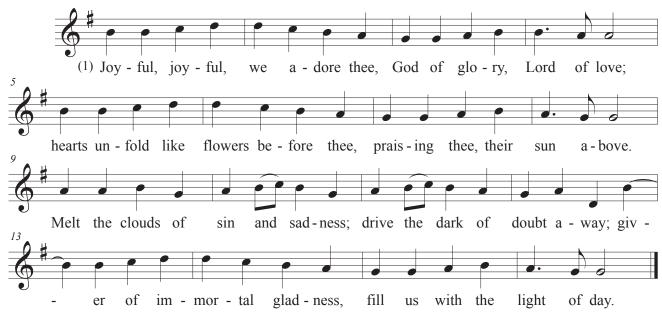
Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Procession

The Hymnal 1982 #376 vs. 1



The Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

GospelerThe Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.The people respondGlory to you, O Christ.

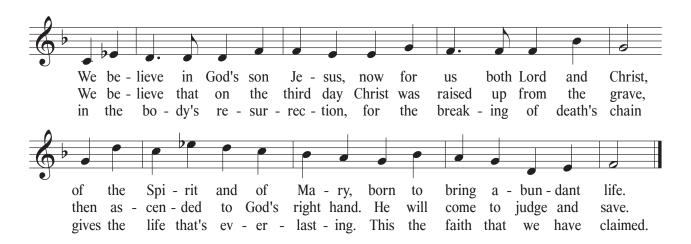
On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, `Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, `Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

GospelerThe Gospel of our Savior.The people respondPraise to you, O Christ.





The Prayers of the People

Celebrant

Let us pray with the assurance given to the Virgin Mary by the archangel Gabriel: "Nothing is impossible with God."

Leader

Eternal God, Author of all creation, thank you for our earthly home set among the planets and stars (please add petitions). We ask your wisdom for its welfare.

People The earth, O God, is yours, held in trust for generations yet unborn. As once Jesus befriended and calmed a stormy sea, make us friends of the earth.

We pray for the inclusive Church of Christ scattered among the nations Mend its brokenness and endow its shepherds with vision and courage.

People Hold close in your care Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Marc our Bishop, Cameron our Long Term Supply Priest, Margaret our Deacon, the Community of St. Francis, and all who serve you faithfully.

In a world longing for peace, call forth leaders worthy of the public trust Like the aggrieved widow praised by Jesus, grant us perseverance in pursuit of all that is good and just.

People May we live in solidarity with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, singing boldly her song: "God has brought down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly."

Forgive the greed of cruel cultures of bigger barns and shameful bank accounts in a world of massive poverty Show us the more excellent way of extravagant sharing.

People Free us from selfishness that separates us from you. Open us to Jesus' warning: "So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves and are not rich toward God."

Touch with wholeness the sick and the injured, and grant comfort to the dying May those who provide care and solace for others entertain angels unawares.

People Open our eyes to see that every act of mercy and kindness is a Sabbath blessing offered in your Name, O God.

Eternal rest grant to our beloved who have died Their love for you and for us is a treasure beyond all price and shall never die.

People By your grace make us worthy of their friendship through lives lived to your praise and glory.

Celebrant

Merciful God, by the intercession of your Holy Spirit receive our prayers. You call all who love their enemies "children of the Most High." Make us signs of love's gentle power to transform hate into hope in a world full of fear; we ask this through Jesus Christ, our Savior. *Amen.*

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

We greet each other in the name of Christ.

Welcome and Announcements

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Anthem *Jubilate* (Let us praise you) Music: attributed to W.A. Mozart (1756-91); arr. Alan Bullard (b.1947)

Presentation Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #568 vs. 1-3



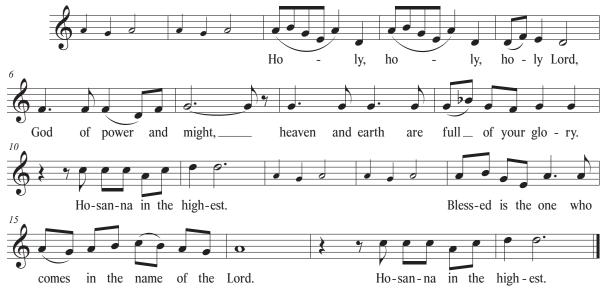
The Great Thanksgiving



In wonder we thank you, God of all peoples and nations, for the gift of creation brought forth by your gracious will. With Abraham and Sarah we rejoice that we are your children, made in your likeness, and are more numerous than the stars in the heavens.

We celebrate the faithfulness of Moses, Elijah, Zechariah and Elizabeth, their son John the Baptist, and all the prophets and martyrs of every age. We thank you for your Child, Jesus, born of the Holy Spirit and your servant Mary and embraced by Joseph, her spouse. We rejoice with Simeon and Anna that, through the Child of Bethlehem, you offer salvation "in the presence of all peoples and for the glory of your people Israel."

We remember with joy the shepherds in awe at your Child's manger, and the angelic message of long ago, "See, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people," as we sing to your glory:



In faithfulness to your will, your Child touched the lives of the untouchable and unmasked false boundaries to mend the wounds of all. We thank you that Jesus, noticing what was in plain sight but was ignored by reluctant eyes, commanded everyone to "see."

To those scandalized by the anointing of Jesus' feet at the hands of a sinner from the streets, your Child asked, "Do you see this woman?" To a foreigner healed of leprosy, who returned to praise you, Jesus announced, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well." To Zacchaeus, a hated tax collector in a tree above the crowds, Jesus, to the shock of critics, looked up and said: "I must stay at your house today."

Foreigners and outsiders found in the Healer from Nazareth a community of belonging. Peter's motherin-law, Mary and Martha of Bethany, and two pilgrims on Easter evening were among those who welcomed your Child into their homes and lives. The Savior, who had no place to lay his head, turned humble homes into sanctuaries of heaven on earth. We implore you, O God, open our clenched eyes that we, too, may see your vision of one human family living in peace on the face of the earth.

At the invitation of your Child, we gather at this holy table with the trust of little children. We remember that at supper with the disciples, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my Body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. When you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Here at your Table, Blessed Savior, in company with the cloud of witnesses and with the church throughout the world, open our eyes that we may recognize you in the breaking of bread and sharing of the cup, and confess boldly:

We remember your death, O Christ, We proclaim your resurrection, We await your coming in glory.

We pray, God of all mercy, send your Holy Spirit upon us and these gifts of bread and wine that they may be for us the sacrament of Christ's body and blood, holy food for holy people. Nourish us with the presence of the risen Christ on the pilgrim journey of your church through the world of our time.

We ask this through your Child, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *AMEN*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,







Invitation to the Table

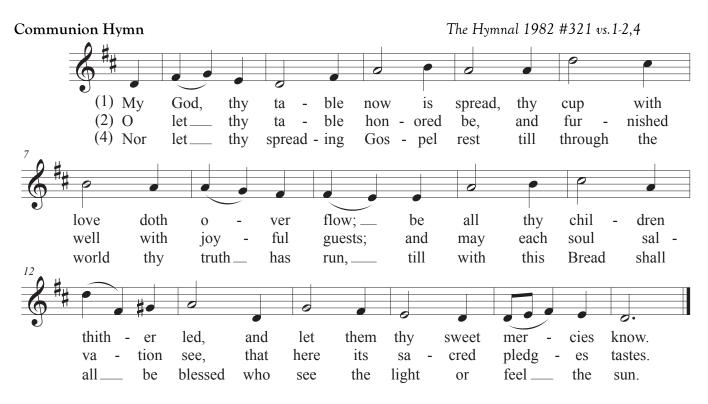
The Celebrant invites all who wish to come to the Table by saying: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

> During Communion all are invited to receive either the Sacrament or a blessing; gluten-free wafers are available.

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are always welcome at Holy Innocents.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion for those worshiping with us online:

Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.



Postcommunion Prayer

CelebrantLet us pray.Celebrant & PeopleWe thank you, Eternal God, for the feast of your love shared at this table.
You welcome us home to your heart even when we know we are not worthy
to be called your children. Send us forth with joy and make us living signs
of the peace and good will announced by the angels at the birth of your
Child, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Community Blessings

Blessing

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn The Hymnal 1982 # 665 vs. 1-3 0 U (1) All my hope God is_found - ed; he doth still on my (2) Mor tal pride and earth - ly___ glo ry, sword and crown be -(3) God's great good-ness en - dur - eth, e'er deep his wis - dom 4 and chance through trust - new, me change he guid - eth, on ly re though with care and toil build them, tower and tray our trust; we pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, life at - tend him, beau - ty and 0 God good and on ly true. known, he un а ple fall dust. But God's tem _ power, hour by. to spring eth out of nought. Ev er more from his_ _ _ 10 0 0 lone calls heart_ be_ his my to own. hour, ple and tower. is my tem _ my new - born worlds rise dore. store and а

The Dismissal

Celebrant	Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People	Thanks be to God.

Postlude Sortie on Christus Rex (Christ is the King!)

Altar Flowers The flowers are dedicated to the glory of God by the Brenzel-Gaines Family.

LITURGY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Great Thanksgiving and Prayers of the People, based on the Gospel of Luke, were written by the Rev. Tom Dipko and the Liturgy Committee.

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Today's collect comes from Steven Shakespeare's Prayers for an Inclusive Church. p104.

SERVING HOLY INNOCENTS TODAY

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Community Announcements

- Due to privacy concerns, we are going to remove personal email addresses from our newsletters and bulletins. When we list a person as a contact, please use our membership directory. This directory requires that a person be in the directory in order to retrieve contact information. If you need to be added to the directory, please send your request to office@holyinsf.org.
- **Game night is starting again!** We look forward to seeing you at church on August 19, at 6:30 p.m. Pizza and drinks provided. Bring your favorite games and your good cheers.
- **Bayview Mission: Sunday, August 28th** Please join us after our service on Sunday, August 28th to help build toiletry bags for homeless and people in need in our community. Bayview Mission is supplying us with 2 kits to build 100 toiletry bags that will include toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, soaps, shampoo, lotion, hand sanitizer, a comb, pair of socks, emery board and toe nail clippers. We are also hoping to add menstrual supplies for women in this community. Help us build the bags and decide how to distribute! If you need more information, please contact Sarah Klapec.

• Open Cathedral - potluck and sandwich making dates: August 31 & October 5.

100 sandwiches were made on Wednesday, August 3 for the Open Cathedral Eucharist at the 16th & Mission Bart Station! Reach out to Rita Lin or Fabienne Blanc if you are interested in taking part in this ministry. We would like to commit to providing meals once a month, and we do have some funds if you would like to help but want reimbursement for the cost of the meals.



• Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Opportunities

Deacon Margaret has recently become involved in Habitat for Humanity in San Francisco – including a project in the Diamond Heights neighborhood. And so - we have two upcoming Habitat opportunities – please contact Deacon Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain if you would like to sign up for either/both of these.....she will inform you about the Habitat on-line sign up process.

Saturday September 17, 12-4 pm, in the Excelsior neighborhood, all ages welcomed This is an opportunity to help get the word out about Habitat Greater San Francisco's Home Preservation program in the city of San Francisco! A recent grant now allows Habitat to make critical repairs to homes in target neighborhoods in the Bayview District and volunteers are needed to help spread the word. This will include walking up and down assigned streets, stopping door to door, and hanging doorhangers. Volunteers will work in teams of two and under the leadership of a staff person.



Saturday October 8, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm, at the 36 Amber Drive building site, ages 16 and up This is a volunteer opportunity at a new building site in the Diamond Heights neighborhood which is creating 8 affordable housing units (photo attached) St. Aidan's has volunteered that this site, and have had a blast each time. The progress at the site is inspiring and impressive. Please join us!

- Morning Prayer (via Zoom) continues on Tuesday and Friday mornings, with a new link. Please reach out to Sue Fandel if you'd like the new link.
- New Vicar Search Process!

The search process for our new vicar is on, and you are all invited to plug into the process to provide your feedback and shape the vision of the search. We have seven different small groups meeting throughout the month - please sign yourself into one! To begin, visit <u>https://tinyurl.com/HISearch2022</u>

Begin with the document that says "Guide = Read this First!" It will show you the way to access the small group and how to see the monthly curriculum.

Please do not hesitate to ask any questions - we want everyone to participate. With questions, please contact Davey Gerhard.

- Interested in Baptism? If you think you might be interested in baptism, please contact The Rev. Cameron Ayers.
- **Hospitality:** We have begun having a small **coffee hour** on the sidewalk after the service, you can sign up to contribute on the <u>rota sign up link</u>.
- Audio/Visual Volunteers Needed: No specific skills required, just a willingness to learn and a general comfort with technology. We will provide all the training you need.

Staying Connected!

You can follow us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/HolyInSF. If you would like to receive our congregational emails, email office@holyinsf.org

Holy Innocents Prayer List

* to add or remove someone from our prayer list, please contact the church office at office@holyinsf.org

For healing of body, mind, and spirit:

Alyssa (Sarah B's friend); Andrea & Lucas, and their family (Sarah B's friends); Ange; Betty (Camilla's sister); Bill & Sergio; Bucky Mills (Richard.'s dad); Carol & Katie (Joyce's nieces); Catherine (Amelia's mother and Thomas' friend); Christopher (Beth's friend); Darlene (Judith's friend); David B.;Diana (Anne's niece); Elyse (Judith's friend); Eric (Liz K's nephew); Fatima (Claire's godmother); Giovanni and Rosanna (Fabienne's cousins); Hotie Gilpin (Sarah's aunt); Jane Davies; Rev. Jeffrey Reed; Jeremy (Thomas' husband); Joan (Alison's sister); Joel & Sam; John (Davey's father); John M. (Sam's friend); Judith; Julia; Julie (Ange's aunt); Kathryn (Judith's friend); Kristen, Ben, and Haven (Sarah B's friends); Leigh (Sarah B's friends); Lina (Fabienne's friend); Lorene and Danny (Joyce's friends); Mallory, Eric and (baby) Anthony (Judith's friends); Marge (Ellen's mother); Marius et Michelle (Fabienne's parents); Mary (Allison's mother); Mary (Susan K DeGrado's mother); Mary M.; Maxime, Thomas & James; Pierre (Fabienne's family friend); Rob M.; Robin (Anne's friend); Sarah (Kevin's aunt); Sharon (Natasha's mom);

Stephen W.; Steve and Teresa (Elizabeth's brother and sister in-law); Susan D.; Thomas F.; Virginia, Will (Cynthia's son).

For the departed:

Laura Pettibone (Anne Jenkins' wife); Burt Cazden; Donald Pace (Judith's friend); Eleni Kasapi (Steven's mother); Joan Blair (Anne R's mother); Mike Scorer (Paul's father), Sue (Sarah B's friend); Thomas Jenkins (Anne's dad).

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