



# Holy Innocents

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2022 10:00 a.m.

### The Season of Creation

The Season of Creation, September 1st through October 4th, is celebrated by Christians around the world as a time for renewing, repairing and restoring our relationship to God, one another, and all of creation. The Episcopal Church joins this international effort for prayer and action for climate justice and an end to environmental racism and ecological destruction. We at Holy Innocents will observe this special season on the Sundays in September, leading up to our celebration of the Feast of St. Francis on October 2.

### The Congregation Gathers

#### Prelude

Bossa de la Sumner

*Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: to see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.*

#### The Tolling of the Bell

Please stand as you are able

#### The Opening Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #10 vs.1-2, 6

(1) New \_\_\_ ev - ery morn - ing is the love our \_\_\_ wak - ening  
 (2) New \_\_\_ mer - cies, each re - turn - ing day, a - round us  
 (6) On - ly, O Lord, in thy dear love, fit \_\_\_ us for

5  
 and up - ris - ing prove; through sleep and dark - ness  
 hov - er \_\_\_ while we pray; new per - ils past, new  
 9  
 per - fect rest a - bove; and help us, this and

safe - ly brought, re - stored to life \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ power and thought.  
 sins for - given, new thoughts of God, \_\_\_ new \_\_\_ hopes of heaven.  
 ev - ery day, to live more near - ly \_\_\_ as we pray.

#### The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* *Glory 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

Celebrant God be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

*Jealous God, you call us to hate the life that is an echo of death and a whisper of fear: give us the courage to pass through shadows and count the cost of a love beyond measure; through Jesus Christ, the one who is fully alive. Amen.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### The Reading

Philemon vs. 1-7

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People *Thanks be to God.*

### The Gospel Procession

The Hymnal 1982 #675 vs.1-2

(1) Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if  
(2) Take up your cross, let not its weight fill

4  
you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with  
your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your

7

will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low \_\_\_\_\_ af - ter me.  
spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and \_\_\_\_\_ nerve your arm.

**The Gospel**

Luke 14:25-33

Deacon

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

The people respond

*Glory to you, O Christ.*

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Deacon

The Gospel of our Savior.

The people respond

*Praise to you, O Christ.*

**The Gospel Procession**

The Hymnal 1982 #675 vs.4-5

(4) Take up your cross, then, \_\_\_\_\_ in his strength, and  
(5) Take up your cross and \_\_\_\_\_ fol - low Christ, nor

calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -  
think till death to lay it down; for on - ly \_\_\_\_\_ those who \_\_\_\_\_

bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory \_\_\_\_\_ o'er the grave.  
bear the cross may hope to wear the \_\_\_\_\_ glo - rious crown.

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Cameron Ayers

## Nicene Creed

Nettleton setting

(1) We be - lieve in God Al - migh - ty, Au - thor of all things that be.  
(2) We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci - fied;  
(3) We be - lieve in God's own Spi - rit, bond - ing all the saints with - in  
Mak - er of the earth and hea - ven, Keep - er of the sky and sea.  
ta - ken from the cross, was bur - ied; True Life there had tru - ly died.  
one church cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from sin;  
We be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ,  
We be - lieve that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave,  
in the bo - dy's re - sur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain  
of the Spi - rit and of Ma - ry born to bring a - bun - dant life.  
then as - cen - ded to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.  
gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

## The Prayers of the People

*Celebrant*

In peace, we pray to you, O God.

*Leader*

O God, we pray for the church... (*petitions may be added*).

O God, in your mercy.

*People Hear our prayer.*

O God, we pray for those who are sick or in any kind of need... (*petitions*).

O God, in your mercy.

*People Hear our prayer.*

O God, we pray for those who have died... (*petitions*).

O God, in your mercy.

*People Hear our prayer.*

Blessed God, whose love calls the whole creation into covenant with you, and who puts in our hands responsibility for the care of the earth and its creatures: we pray for all to whom you have given life and being, saying, "Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace."

For the well-being of the earth; for its resources of water, air, light, and soil, that they may be tended for the good of all creatures, we pray:

*People Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.*

For the mineral and energy resources of the planet, that we may learn sustainable consumption and sound care of the environment from which they come, we pray:

*People Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.*

For the animals of the earth, wild and domestic, large and very small, that they may know the harmony of relationship that sustains all life, we pray:

*People Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.*

For all who shape public policies affecting the planet and its creatures, that they may consider wisely the well-being of all who come after us, we pray:

*People Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.*

For all those engaged in conservation, in agriculture and ranching, in aquaculture and fishing, in mining and industry, and in forestry and timber-harvesting, that the health, fruitfulness, and beauty of the natural world may be sustained alongside human activity, we pray:

*People Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.*

For the creatures and the human beings of your world who suffer from the unjust, violent, or wasteful use of the earth's resources or their devastation by war, that all may one day live in communities of justice and peace, we pray:

*People Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.*

*Celebrant*

In this Season of Creation, we pray that the breath of your creative Word would move our hearts, as in the waters of our birth and baptism. Give us faith to follow Christ to our just place in the beloved community. Enlighten us with the grace to respond to your covenant and call to care for our common home. In our tilling and keeping, gladden our hearts to know that we participate with your Holy Spirit to renew the face of your Earth, and safeguard a home for all. *Amen.*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*We greet each other in the name of Christ.*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

# **The Liturgy of the Table**

**Offertory Anthem** *Be thou my vision* Words: Early Irish, trans. Mary Byrne (1880-1931);  
Music: Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Jane Spencer Mills, *soprano*

*We invite everyone to form a circle around the altar while we sing the gathering hymn, leaving the front chairs for those who are unable to climb the steps or remain standing for the entire Eucharistic prayer.*

*Children are welcome to step up on the bench in front of the altar where they can experience the liturgy up close.*

Presentation Hymn

Wonder, Love, and Praise #757 vs.1-2, 5



(1) Will you come and fol - low me if  
 (2) Will you leave your - self be - hind if  
 (5) Christ, your sum - mons ech - oes true when



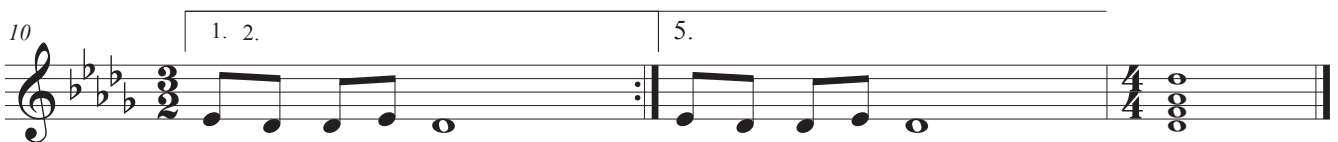
I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and  
 I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and  
 you but call my name. Let me turn and fol - low you and



nev - er be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you  
 nev - er be the same? Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your  
 nev - er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your



let my Name be known? Will you let my life be grown in  
 life at - tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer prayer in  
 love and foot - steps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in\_\_



you and you in me?                      you and you in me.  
 you and you in me?

The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* God be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to God.***

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to God.

*People* ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

Lifegiving God, your word speaks in the void, calling into being things that are not, inviting us to share your work of creation. We thank you for the ages long of gathering stars and cooling earth, of life evolving and waking eyes of wonder. We thank you for the creatures with whom we share the world; for their lives so different from our own, and the riches they reveal. We thank you for the Son of Man, formed from Mary's flesh and nurtured by her faith; he walked the growing earth and proclaimed a fearless kingdom of bird and lily, children and stranger, the beggar and the blind.

On the cross, he joined the labor of all creation's yearning; in his rising, he hallowed all flesh to bear the glory of God; he gives the brooding Spirit to bring to birth a living hope.

Therefore, with all that has life through him, with animals and angels and all who hope for a new creation, we share the song of love which sounds from all eternity.

9 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of power and might, —

17 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of power and might. —

25 Hea - ven and earth are full, — full — of your glo - ry. Ho -

33 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

41 Bless - ed is the one who comes — in the name of God. — Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We ask that your Holy Spirit fall upon us and upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our Lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me."

As on that night, so here and now, he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold. Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, we come to the one in whom all is created in heaven and on earth, whose cross and resurrection make all things new. We offer this to you, asking you to smile upon the gift we bring, for you alone are the Giver and Christ's the gift through which we live once and for all.

Through Christ who was emptied to bear your fullness, we make our prayer with all created life to the glory of God, Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit, who fills all in all, now and forever. *AMEN*

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

# The Lord's Prayer

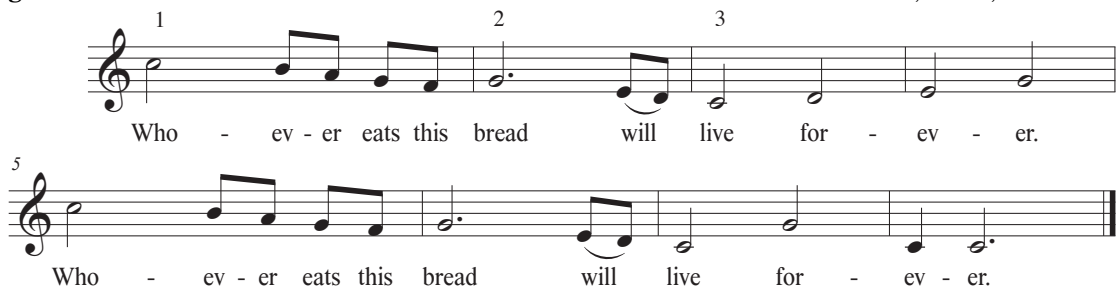
Rimsky-Korsakov



Our Fa - ther in heaven, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

# The Breaking of the Bread

Wonder, Love, & Praise #874



1 2 3  
Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.  
5  
Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

# 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 worshipping 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.*

**Communion Hymn**

Taizé - Communion

[Sung 3 times]

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and ne-ver be hun - gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

**Postcommunion Prayer**

Thank you, Creator,  
Thank you God,  
By your love for us, by your love,  
By your love for us we are yours.

Thank you, Jesus,  
Thank you God.  
By your love for us, by your love,  
By your love for us we are yours.

Thanks you Spirit,  
Thank you God,  
By your love for us, by your love,  
By your love for us we are yours.

**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 #423 vs. 1-3

(1) Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise, in  
 (2) Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light, nor  
 (3) To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small; in

6  
 light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes, most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the  
 want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might; thy jus - tice like moun - tains high  
 all life thou liv - est. the true life of all; we blos - som and flour - ish, like

12  
 An - cient of Days, al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.  
 soar - ing a - bove thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 leaves on the tree, then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.

The Dismissal

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

Postlude Excerpt from *Voluntary in E minor Op.VII*

by John Stanley (1712-86)

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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@holysf.org](mailto:office@holysf.org).

- **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 at this site, and have had a blast each time. The progress at the site is inspiring and impressive. Please join us!

- **Open Cathedral - potluck and sandwich making dates: October 5.**

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.

- **Dano will be making Scent Jars for Fall and Halloween.** Scent Jars contain decorative seasonal particulars along with cinnamon, cloves, orange spice, and citrus peel, artistically arranged in a quart Mason Jar with a pumpkin light. All donations collected will be donated to Holy Innocents. Custom requests welcome.



Contact Dano Cammarota for more info or to order.

- **Hospitality:** We have begun having a small **coffee hour** on the sidewalk after the service, you can sign up to contribute on the [rota sign up link](#).
- **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.
- **Morning Prayer (via Zoom)** continues on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Please reach out to Sue Fandel if you'd like the link.

- **Interested in Baptism?** If you think you might be interested in baptism, please contact The Rev. Cameron Ayers.

### **Staying Connected!**

You can follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HolyInSF>.

The Holy Innocents WiFi password is HOLYINSF

If you would like to receive our congregational emails, email [office@holyinsf.org](mailto: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](mailto:office@holyinsf.org)

#### **For healing of body, mind, and spirit:**

Alyssa (Sarah B's friend); Ange; Betty (Camilla's sister); Bill & Sergio; Bill D.; Bill (Cynthia's brother); Bucky Mills (Richard's dad); Carol & Katie (Joyce's nieces); Christopher (Beth's friend); Darlene (Judith's friend); David B.; Diana (Anne's niece); Diane B. (Sarah B's friend); Elyse (Judith's friend); Eric (Liz K's nephew); Giovanni and Rosanna (Fabienne's cousins); Hotie Gilpin (Sarah's aunt); Jan Cazden (former HI deacon); Jane Davies; Rev. Jeffrey Reed; Jeremy (Thomas' husband); 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 friend); Lina (Fabienne's friend); Linda (Cary'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 M.; Phylliss (Dano's friend); Pierre (Fabienne's family friend); Raymond Flournoy; Rob M.; Robin (Anne's friend); Sarah (Kevin's aunt); Stephen W.; Steve and Teresa (Elizabeth's brother and sister in-law); Susan D.; Thomas F.; Virginia Gassner; Will (Cynthia's son).

#### **For the departed:**

Laura Pettibone (Anne Jenkins' wife); Burt Cazden; Eleni Kasapi (Steven's mother); Joan Blair (Anne R's mother); Sue (Sarah B's friend); Thomas Jenkins (Anne's dad)

### **The Leadership of Holy Innocents**

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