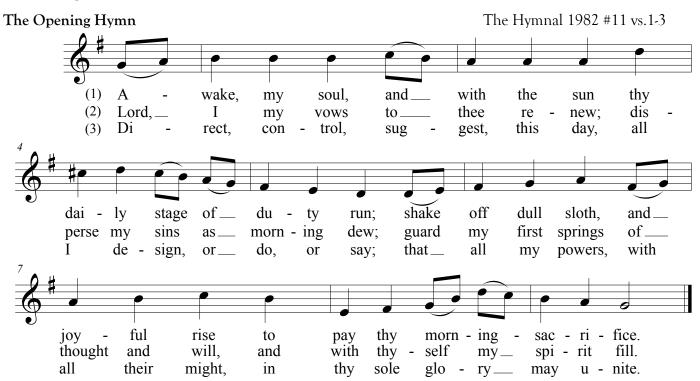


Advent I November 27, 2022 10:00 a.m.

The Congregation Gathers

Prelude Piano Meditation on Bellwoods (O day of God, draw nigh)

The Tolling of the Bell



During the singing of the first hymn, the children are invited to gather at the Advent Wreath; all candles darkened.

Blessing of the Advent Wreath and Candles

Celebrant God of all seasons and times, your creation is ever green and ever new.

The children bring extra pine boughs or pinecones, chestnuts, holly, etc and

place them within or on the wreath

Child Bless this wreath woven from these branches

that we may be woven together in love.

An acolyte lights the appropriate candle.

Child Bless this candle created from the work of bees, your tiny creatures,

that we may be illumined by the light of Your Son.

All Bless this wreath, a symbol of the new life within us, that we may give birth to your Wisdom and

Truth which, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, call us into unity. Amen.

One candle is lit.

Celebrant Keep awake, sisters and brothers.

All Son of Man, Come in great power and glory.

Celebrant Heaven and Earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

All Son of Man, Come in great power and glory.

Celebrant O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would

quake at your presence - as when fire kindles brushwood.

All Son of Man, Come in great power and glory.

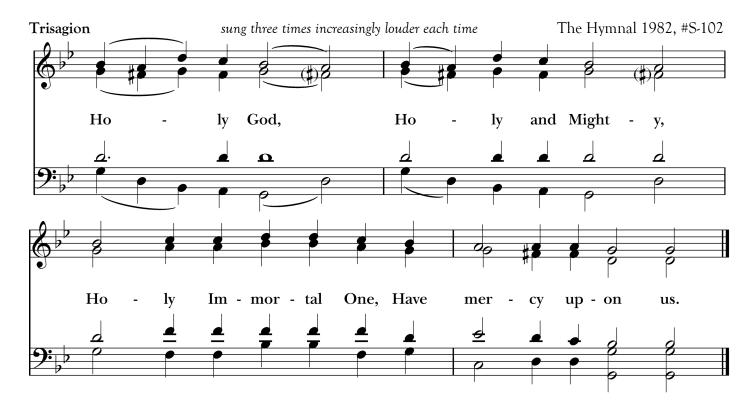
Celebrant Let us pray: Great God, in these days of darkness we feel the chill of the evening and the cold

of the dormant earth. By the light of this candle may we find the Christ in each other. *Amen*.

After the Candle is lit, all return to their seats.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. People Glory to God for ever and ever.



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Holy Thief, stealing away our false securities and idle vanity: awaken us from the dull sleep that clings to empty fear and vacant routine; unfold on us the time of crisis when love of truth floods a thirsty world; through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills;

all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

to the house of the God of Jacob;

that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,

and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,

and shall arbitrate for many peoples;

they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,

come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.



- I was glad when / they said / to me,* "Let us go to the house of / our God."
- Now our / feet are / standing* within your gates, O Je-/ ru-salem.
- 3 Jerusalem is / built as a / city* that is at unity / with itself;
- To which the tribes go up, the / tribes of the / Most High,* the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of / our God.
- 5 For there are the / thrones of / judgment,* the thrones of the house of / David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of / Jeru-/salem:* "May they prosper who / love you.
- Peace be / within / your walls* and quietness within your / towers.
- 8 For / my com-/panions' sake,* I pray for your pros-/perity.
- 9 Because of the / house of / our God,* I will seek to / do you good."

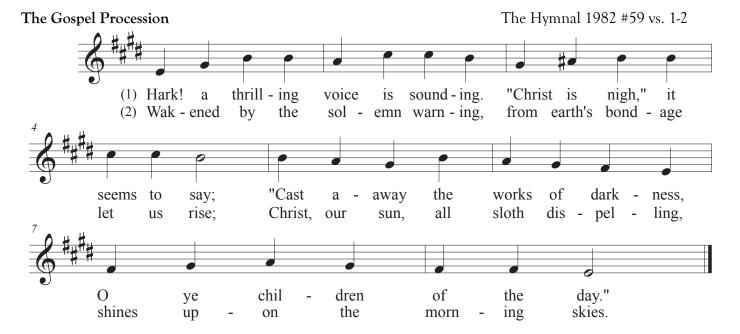
The Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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The Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

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The people respond

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

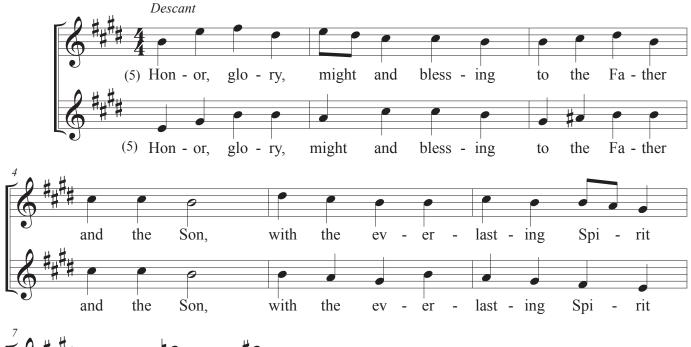
Glory to you, O Christ.

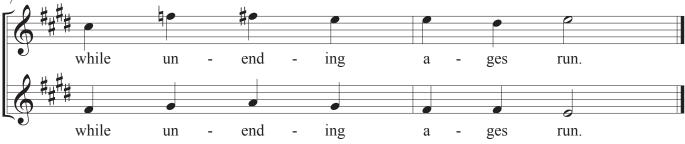
Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Gospeler The Gospel of our Savior.
The people respond *Praise to you, O Christ.*

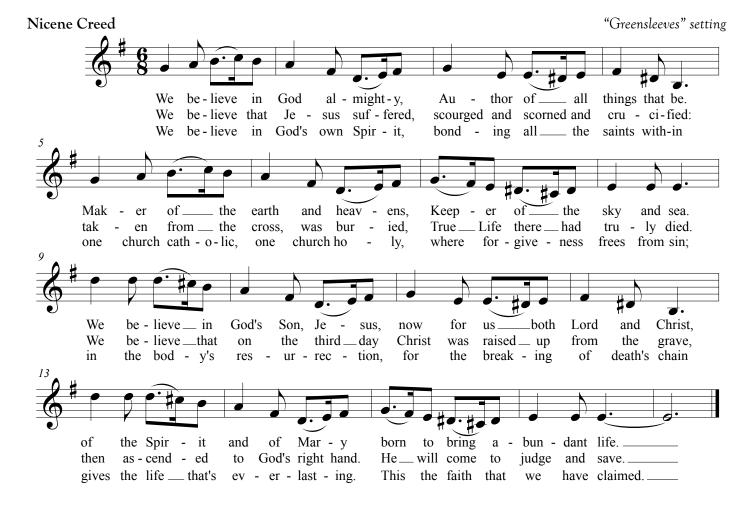
The Gospel Procession

The Hymnal 1982 #59 vs.5





The Sermon The Rev. Scot Sherman



Prayers of the People

During the pause after each bidding, the people offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Deacon / Celebrant

As we keep awake for the revealing of our Savior Jesus Christ, let us offer prayers to God who stirs up strength and comes to help us.

Leader

For the peace of the world, and for our unity in Christ -- we pray to you, O God.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

For Marc our bishop and all bishops, for the priests, for the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God -- we pray to you, O God.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

For the church throughout the world and the faithful in every place -- we pray to you, O God.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

For Joe our President, for the leaders of the nations and all in authority -- we pray to you, O God.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

For justice, peace, and freedom among all peoples of the earth -- we pray to you, O God.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

For travelers, for the sick and the suffering and for those in any need or trouble -- we pray to you, O God. *O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel*

For the hungry and the oppressed, and for those in prison -- we pray to you, O God.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

For the dying and the dead, and for those in mourning -- we pray to you, O God.

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need -- we pray to you, O God..

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel

Joining our voices with our Sister Mary of Nazareth and with all the saints and angels of God, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

Celebrant

O Rising Sun, brightness of light eternal, sun of justice, come and shine on those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death. Glory to you for ever. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

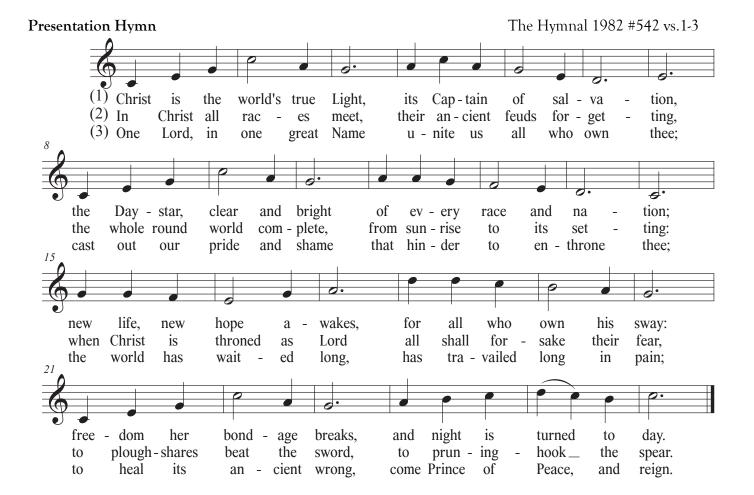
People And also with you.

We greet each other in the name of Christ.

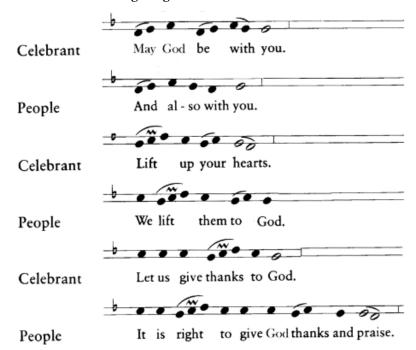
Welcome and Announcements

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Anthem The Lord at first did Adam make English traditional carol, arr. by David Willcocks



The Great Thanksgiving

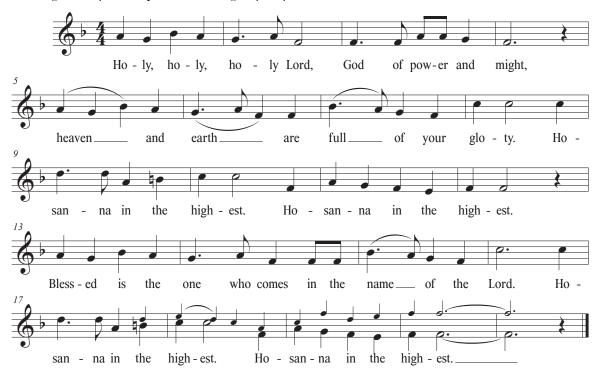


Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Loving God:

We remember your death, O Christ, We proclaim your resurrection, We await your coming in glory. And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O God of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

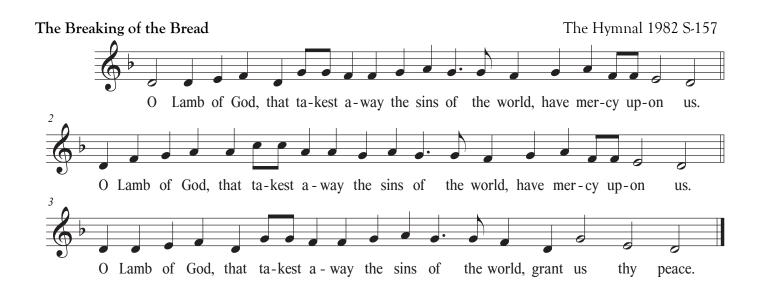
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary, the Blessed Holy Innocents, Blessed Francis, Blessed Clare, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,



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.

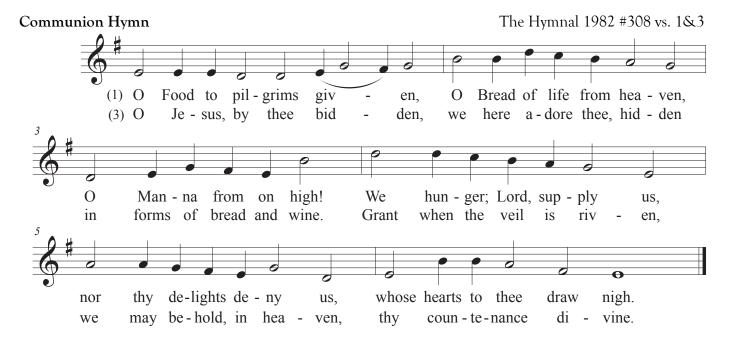
now and for ever. Amen.

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

Celebrant

Let us pray.

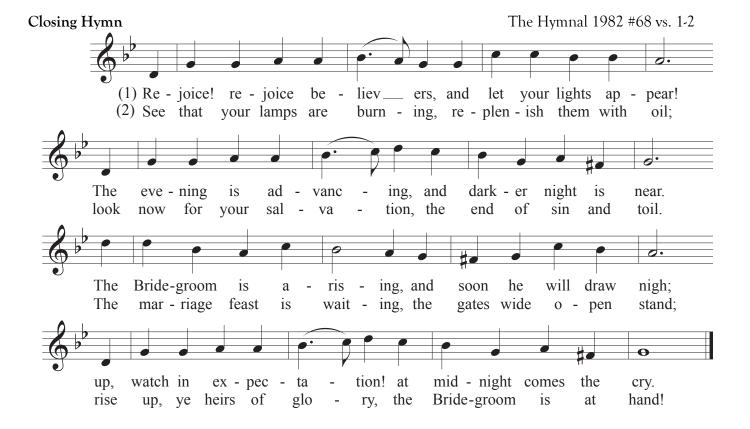
Celebrant & People

Eternal God, we thank you that in Christ you give yourself into our hands: May we who have tasted life proclaim the coming feast when many will come from east and west, from north and south, to greet the Lord of all. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Community Blessings

Blessing

May the God who brings heaven close to earth give truth to our judgment and flame to our longing that our hearts might be ready to be born again in love; and the blessing of God, one holy and undivided Trinity, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*



The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Moderato in F# Major by Franciszek Walczyński (1852-1937)

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

We need volunteers for the Planning Committee for the Christmas Pageant. These are not necessarily the people who will do all the work, but the people who will plan what we're going to do, how it can happen safely, who do we need to do what, etc. Please contact PamelaClarecsf@aol.com to volunteer for the planning committee.

Holy Innocents Christmas

5pm Christmas Eve Pageant & Communion for all ages! 10PM Christmas Eve Carols & Festal Eucharist 10AM Christmas Day Eucharist with Carols

Advent Flowers: If you would like to contribute to the Altar Flowers for Advent, please use the red flower envelopes on the credenza in the back of the church. There is also a clipboard on the credenza where you may write your dedication. The names and dedications will appear in the bulletin on Christmas Eve / Day. You may also donate online and/or send your dedications to Dano Cammarota (my email is on the flower envelopes) before December 21st.

Holy Innocents Stewardship Campaign Thank you for all you do for the Holy Innocents Community! Your gifts help us live out our mission and ministry in our neighborhood and throughout the world. You are invited to make your pledge of time, talent, and treasure for the 2023 fiscal year during our pledge campaign season - October 9 - October 30. Don't worry if you have not yet sent in your pledge card. You may still do so!

To participate in this year's campaign, please visit our Stewardship web page at https://holyinsf.org/giving You may also complete a pledge card located at the back of the church and place it in the plate. However you make your gift this year, please know that your work is appreciated and needed."

New Habitat for Humanity Date – Saturday Dec. 17, 8:30 – 4:00 pm

We have a new Habitat date at the Amber Drive site in Diamond Heights – we've had a great time each Saturday we've participated and all are welcome – there's a job for everyone! Contact Deacon Margaret (mdyerc@stanford.edu or 650-619-0781) if you would like to sign up - she will inform you about the Habitat on-line sign up process.

Interfaith Winter Shelter Volunteering in March 2023

Are you interested in volunteering for the Interfaith Winter Shelter this season? Holy Innocents is signed up to prepare and serve meals **Sunday, March 5th** at Canon Kip Senior Center (705 Natoma Street). We need to prepare meals offsite for 30 guests plus 3 staff, and then be there at 5 pm to serve them.

If you are interested in participating, please let Sarah Klapec know at sklapec@yahoo.com or via text at 415-672-4298. We can then discuss what we want to prepare and who will do what. If you are just able to cook but not serve, or just able to serve but not cook, just let Sarah know, and she will coordinate accordingly!

If this date doesn't work for you or if you want to volunteer for more days, there are weekdays we can sign up! Just let her know your interest and your weekday availability. There are different locations depending on the date but we do need to be ready to serve at 5 pm.

Stephen Siptroth's Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate - December 3rd at Grace Cathedral. Stephen Siptroth who was with us for his Field Education has been approved to be ordained as a transitional deacon. Congratulations to Stephen!

Participate in the Search for the Ninth Bishop of California!

Bishop Marc Andrus will be retiring as Bishop of California in 2024, and already the search for a new bishop is underway. There are many opportunities to have your voice heard in the process, and it begins in November!

The Diocese will be holding listening sessions around the Bay Area throughout November as a part of the process for searching for a new bishop. If you missed the one on November 16 at St. Gregory of Nyssa here in San Francisco, you may attend any of them across the Bay Area as your schedule allows. The complete list can be found here: https://diocalbishopsearch.org/2022/10/25/diocesan-listening-sessions-announced/

Keep the website handy for updates and more information as we move into 2023. https://diocalbishopsearch.org/

You are also welcome to reach out to members of the Bishop's Search Committee with questions and feedback. You'll note that Holy Innocents has two members on it: our own Venerable Margaret Dyer Chamberlain and our parishioner Neil Penick. https://diocalbishopsearch.org/search-committee/

Due to privacy concerns, we have removed 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 support@holvinsf.org.

Sock Drive for Bayview Mission: A box will be kept in the back of the sanctuary for donations of a new pair of socks (men, women, children). The socks will be collected and delivered to Bayview Mission in time for Christmas. For more info contact Dano Cammarota.

Emergency Flood Relief for Haji Muhammad Sharif Village in Pakistan Claire Quarterman's best friend is trying to raise money for the victims of a flood in Pakistan. Her friend's father lives in the town. Here is the link where one can

donate: https://www.launchgood.com/campaign/emergency flood relief for haji muhammad shari-f-village in pakistan#!/

Open Cathedral - potluck and sandwich making date: January 18, 2022.

Thanks to everyone who has been part of this ministry. 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 do have some funds if you would like to help but want reimbursement for the cost of the meals.

Wednesday Potlucks are back!

Come join us for a shared meal in the parish hall every Wednesday at 6:30 pm, Bring a dish and/or beverage to share. At our next gathering, we will discuss bringing back our post meal content and conversation. Contact Stephen or Cynthia Walker for questions or more information.

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.

Morning Prayer (via Zoom) continues on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Please reach out to Sue Fandel if you'd like the link.

To add an announcement to the weekly newsletter and/or Sunday bulletin, please send your text (ready to paste) no later than 11:00 am Wednesday to office@holyinsf.org.

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; 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); Gloria (Tom L's sister-in-law); Hotie Gilpin (Sarah's aunt); Jane Davies; Rev. Jeffrey Reed; Jeremy (Thomas' husband); Joel & Sam; John (Tom L's brother); 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); 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 (Susan K DeGrado's mother); Mary M.; Maxime, Thomas & James; Peter (Tom L's friend); Pierre (Fabienne's family friend); Rob M.; Robin (Anne's friend); Sarah, Gideon, and family (friends of Malcolm, Seth, and Cora); Sarah (Kevin's aunt); Sharon (Natasha's mom); Seán (Judith's friend); Stephen W.; Steve and Teresa (Elizabeth's brother and sister in-law); Susan D.; Thomas F.; Virginia, Will (Cynthia's son).

For the departed:

Robert Bautista (Joyce's friend), Toni Rae Katz (John's sister-in-law), Fred (Bucky) Mills (Richard's dad); Laura Pettibone (Anne Jenkins' wife); Burt Cazden; Donald Pace (Judith's friend); Eleni Kasapi (Steven's mother); Joan Blair (Anne R's mother); Mary (Alison's mother); Mike Scorer (Paul's father), Peter Olson and Ilan Vitemberg (Tom L's friends); Sue (Sarah B's friend); Thomas Jenkins (Anne's dad).

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