**Nativity Worships**

**Ordinary Time Fall 2022**

**October 30, 2022**

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| Prelude | *Consolation* | Mendelssohn |
| Opening Hymn | *O love, how deep, how broad, how high* | H 448 |
| Sequence Hymn | *What does the Lord Require?* | H 605 |
| Offertory Hymn | *There’s a wideness in God’s mercy* | H 469 |
| Communion Hymn | *Lord Jesus, think on me* | H 641 |
| Post Communion  | *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart* | H 488 |
| Postlude    | *The Wanderer* | Mendelssohn |

**The Collect**

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**Old Testament: Isaiah 1:10-18**

Hear the word of the Lord,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,
I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;

even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil,
learn to do good;

seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,

defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out,
says the Lord:

though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;

though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

**The Psalm: 32:1-8 *Beati quorum***

1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*
and whose sin is put away!

2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, \*
and in whose spirit there is no guile!

3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*
because of my groaning all day long.

4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*
and did not conceal my guilt.

6 I said," I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." \*
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; \*
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**The Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

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

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**The Gospel: Luke 19:1-10**

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

**Prayers of the People**

We pray for our parish members: Jamie, Nancy, Marge, Donna, Dan, Nina A, Marian, Steve and our family and friends: Mary P, John, Miles, Deidra, Layla, Mary Lou, Seanna, Lauren, Ann, Linda, Kevin, Walter and Nancy Jane.

We pray for those who have died and those who mourn remembering especially those who have died in the war in Ukraine.

**Announcements**

Join our Holy Listening Sessions.

* 10/30 Sunday, 11 am-12 pm. in the Sanctuary (in person) after our 10 a.m. service
* 11/3 Thursday, 6 pm-7pm on Zoom. [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85620543633](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85620543633&sa=D&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw279CecoFVmkxXm8e00gls4)
* 11/6 Sunday 9-10 am in the Kitchen (between the 8 and 10 am worship services)
* 11/18 Friday 12:30-1:30 pm in the Rector’s Office and on Zoom (hybrid) after our Noonday prayer. [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85072816196](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85072816196&sa=D&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw3bUmMS0GY0C8sM2N9_XnAf)

Nativity Fall Workday, November 5. 9-12 pm: In preparation for the coming rains (we hope), we’ll be spreading woodchips on our gardens and doing some trimming and planting.

Add names to the Necrology. We will be celebrating All Saints Day on November 6th, please add names of people who have passed in the last year to the list at the back of the church, or send a note to nativityonthehill@gmail.com.

If you missed the Nativity Mass at Grace Church in St. Helena last week, you can hear it at the Grace Church [livestream here.](https://www.facebook.com/search/posts?q=grace%20episcopal%20church%2C%20saint%20helena).

Join the Kairos Outside Prayer Vigil next weekend. We will be praying for the women who are participating in the weekend and for all of the wonderful team members who are putting the weekend together. You can sign up for one or more 30 min prayer sessions from Friday at 4 p.m. through Sunday at 11:30 p.m. The sign-up is at the back of the church, or you can call Jean Heine or Penny Poteet.

Remember All Saints Day Memorial Garden Blessing and Commemoration on November 6th.

Nativity is still looking for an Office Administrator. We are looking for someone who could work at the church for 10 hours a week (2 hours a day). See our website for the job description or speak with Rev. Kirsten about places to advertise. The job announcement is on our website.

We will with thanksgiving receive offerings of Nativity pledges and plate today. You can contribute by sending a check to the church or by using the “Give” button on our website,[www.nativityonthehill.org](http://www.nativityonthehill.org).

All who participate in this Holy Eucharist virtually receive the full benefits of the sacrament by coming with the intention of being united with Christ and one another. (BCP 457).

Flowers today are given to the Glory of God.