# News You Can Use

### Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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**Our Staff:** 

The Rev. Michael Galvin, Rector The Rev. Cathy Scott, Deacon

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Monday-Wednesday 9 AM - 2 PM

The Vestry:

**Senior Warden** Bryan Luce, **Junior Warden** Dan Chillemi; *Treasurer* Betty Bogeman; Abby Galvin (youth), Wade Nichols, Ginny Olsen, Ben Paden, Lauren Hendrickson, Elaine Pickens, Marty Blake, Doug Tannas, *Clerk* Ruth Everett

The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday, September 15th. All are invited to attend.

### Serving This Sunday, September 6:

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Homily: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Organist: Dawn Waddell

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Ushers: Bob French, Joe Schrock

Readers: Skip Thomas, Betty Bogeman, Bryan Luce, Charles Forman

Prayers: Skip Thomas, Barb Spangler

Chalice: Skip Thomas, Ruth Everett, Patrick Burke

Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Jacob Forman, Matthew Johnston, Lexi Burke

Healing: Nancy Thomas, Stephen Canter

LEV: Nancy Thomas

Almoners: Bryan Luce, Ben Paden
AG Sat. Set Up: Lexi & Patrick Burke
AG Bread: Michelle Daniells

AG Set Sup 10 a m: Ginny Olean/Amy Ma

AG Set Sun. 10 a.m.: Ginny Olsen/Amy Mundie AG Clean Up: Lexi & Patrick Burke

Hospitality: Luce/Tannas

#### Christian Education:

Adult Forum and Sunday school classes for children in preschool through high school will return on Sunday, September 13th at 9 AM.

Please join us!



## Sunday's readings:

First Reading Proverbs 22:1-2,8-9,22-23 Psalm 125 Second Reading James 2:1-17 Gospel Mark 7:24-37

#### **Our Mission**

We bear witness to the Light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus, nourishing people and transforming lives.

### Worship and Feast Days

Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori and President of the House of Deputies the Reverend Gay Clark Jennings have issued a letter calling on Episcopal congregations to participate in "Confession, Repentance, and Commitment to End Racism Sunday" on September 6th. Please read the Presiding Bishop's letter by clicking HERE.



<u>Taizé Service</u>: On September 12th, at 7 PM, we will host our next Taizé-style service in the outdoor worship space. All are welcome to join us for a contemplative and meditative service!

#### Christian Education



Who will you invite?

<u>Back to Church</u> Sunday: Join us for the return of our Sunday school classes on September 13th at 9 AM. Children's Ministry classes and Youth Group will meet together at this time. Our 9 AM Adult Forum presentation will include an update on our City of God building project with information about the review from the Diocese, the financing process, a look at the final building plan, and samples of the materials used in the project.

<u>Teachers Needed</u>: Our Christian Education Directors have planned some exciting gatherings for all children in preschool through high school. We are looking for adult volunteers to assist with these gatherings during our 9 AM Sunday school hour beginning on Sunday, September 13th. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex and is also <u>available online</u>. Please contact Jolene Johnston for more information. jjohnston@hfec.org

<u>Children and Youth Registration</u>: All children who participate in our Children's Ministry and Youth Group programming are required to have completed registration forms on file with the church. Forms are also required for infants and toddlers who utilize our Nursery and childcare options. Registration forms are available in the Narthex.

Please note that the forms have two sides. Completed forms are due by Sunday, September 13th.

<u>Let's Work Together!</u> When we resume our programming on Back to Church Sunday, things will feel fairly normal. Once the heavy equipment rolls onto the property and starts tearing down walls, we are going to have to be fairly creative (and flexible!) to continue our lessons. Please watch for announcements regarding relocated Sunday school classes at the Goddard School on Fishers Pointe Blvd. The Adult Forum program will continue to be presented in the Holy Family sanctuary.

### **Outreach Opportunities**

<u>Care Package Ministry</u>: September is Care Package Ministry month. Earlier this year, a group of volunteers began a care package ministry to reach out to members of our congregation who were away from home. This ministry began as a way to share some "Sticky Faith" TLC with college students but will be expanded to support those deployed in the military, working at temporary job assignments, or receiving medical care at treatment facilities away from home. Cash donations are being accepted on an ongoing basis to help pay for shipping costs. A sign-up link will be provided at various times during the year to purchase items to send to our Holy Family friends who are away. Please see Jolene Johnston or Annette Harling for more information.



<u>Coats for Kids</u>: Are you cleaning out any closets this summer? Please hold onto coats of any size that are in good shape to donate to our Coats for Kids collection in September. More details will be shared as we approach the fall season.

<u>Colts Game—Dayspring Benefit</u>: Dayspring Center is the charity of choice for the Colt's Game Day Collection on Thursday, September 3rd. This year, volunteers will be stationed outside the ten main entrances collecting money for the homeless children of Indy. Please tell your friends!

**Crop Walk:** Mark your calendars for October 4th at 2 PM. More information will be posted soon. See Rachelle Galvin for details.

### Thanks Be to God

- Holy Family's "mulch fairy" AKA Jim Agnew who finished spreading all the remaining mulch on the church grounds
- Kim Agnew for sorting and organizing prizes for the Community Block Party

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### Fellowship Gatherings

**Breakfast Buddies:** Join us for our adult meal group gathering beginning at 8:30 AM on Saturday, September 12th at the Roost in Fishers. No cooking, no clean up!

Youth Group Kickoff Tailgate Party: All youth group students (grades 7-12), their parents, and adult leaders are invited to an information session and tailgate party immediately following the 10 AM service on Back to Church Sunday, September 13th. Bring your camp chairs and food to share. We will serve ice cream sundaes as well. Vanilla and chocolate ice cream will be provided.

St. George Festival: The St. George Orthodox Christian Church Festival will be held on September 18th (5-11 PM) and September 19th (12 Noon - 11 PM). The festival presents a heritage of faith, hospitality, good food, music, and crafts from our roots in the Holy Land, the Middle East, and the cultures that make up its congregation. The festival has free admission. There is \$5 offsite parking available (shuttle buses will also run). St. George's is located at 10748 116th St. in Fishers. Just look for the gold dome!

Women's Social: All women of the church are invited to an evening gathering at a private home on Friday, September 18th beginning at 7 PM. Please contact the church office for directions. admin@hfec.org

Community Block Party: It's a party! Join us for our Community Block Party on Saturday, September 26th from 5 – 10 PM. This family-friendly event will be held on in our backyard right here at the church. We are excited to host a DJ from 5-8 PM and the band Living Proof from 8-10 PM. We will have a free Kids' Fun Zone with bounce houses, carnival games, and face painting as well as a food court with budget-friendly meal deal options. Bring your family and friends to our evening of fun!



#### Other News

<u>Community Garden Cookout</u>: On Saturday, September 5th, community gardeners are invited to a pitch-in cookout at 11 AM to celebrate another successful year of the community garden. We will provide hamburgers/hot dogs. You can bring a side, a salad, or dessert to share with others, preferably made with something from your garden.



<u>City of God Groundbreaking Ceremony</u>: Please join Father Mike, Deacon Cathy, Bishop Cate, and Aspen Group representatives for our official groundbreaking ceremony at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, September 9th. Please bring a dessert to share (please <u>do not</u> bring anything that requires utensils).

<u>Choir Resumes</u>: Fall Choir rehearsals begin Thursday, September 10th from 7:00-8:00 PM. All voices and skill levels are welcome! Youth ages 12 and up are also welcome to sing in the adult choir. The choir sings most Sundays at the 10 AM service.

Please contact Music Director Bethany Paden for more information.

Acolyte Training: All current acolytes and those interested in joining are invited to a pizza lunch and training following the 10 AM service on Sunday, September 20th. Students must be at least 8 years old and in the 3rd grade to become an acolyte. Senior acolytes must be 13 years old and in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Adult acolytes are also welcome.

Hoosier Interfaith Power & Light: We have been invited to participate in a multifaith conference on Saturday, September 26th from 9 AM - 12:15 PM about how to protect God's creation while saving money. The conference is free but requires an RSVP. Please see the "Around Town" display in the Narthex or contact Jolene Johnston for more information. jjohnston@hfec.org



Jenny Barker September 4
Jenny Luce September 6
Trevor Pierce September 9

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Bob & Tari Murray September 3
Joe & Barb Spangler September 5
Paul & Amy Mundie September 8

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