

# News You Can Use

August 31, 2017

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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#### Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday from 9 AM -2PM

#### **Our Staff:**

The Rev. Cathy Scott, Deacon  
Jolene Johnston, Director of Children's Ministry and  
Director of Communications  
Marty Blake, Director of Youth Ministry  
Cheryl Burke, Parish Administrator  
Bethany Paden, Music Director

#### The Vestry:

**Senior Warden** Ben Paden, **Junior Warden** Lauren Hendrickson;  
*Treasurer* Betty Bogeman; Connor Wilson (youth), Dan Chillemi,  
Marty Blake, Fred Stahly, Susie Beard, Debbie Talbert, Doug  
Tannas, Lauren Wilson, Lee Cahalan; *Clerk* Jim Agnew

*The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday,  
September 19th.*

## Serving this Sunday, September 3:

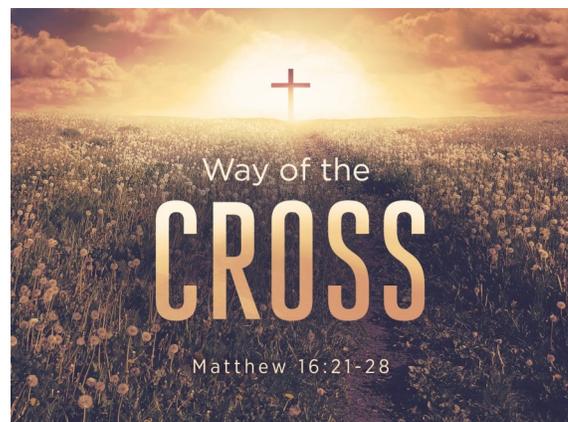
Celebrant: The Rev. Jay Lawlor  
Homily: The Rev. Jay Lawlor  
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott  
Music Director: Bethany Paden  
Greeter: Larry Pickens  
Ushers: Joe Schrock, Troy Everett  
Readers: Betty Bogeman, Sandra Cline, Joel Bruns,  
Jonathan Gosser  
Prayers: David Emerson, Chris Brown  
Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Ruth Everett, Joan Head  
Acolytes: Bryan Luce, Ian Johnston, Jenny Luce, Maci Blake  
Healing: Scott Wilson  
LEV: Scott Wilson  
Almoners: Marty Blake, Fred Stahly  
AG Sat. Set Up: Greta Wilson  
AG Bread: Greta Wilson  
AG Sun. Set Up: Amy Mundie  
AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson, Lauren Wilson  
Hospitality: Tannas

#### 9 AM Sunday School:

*Classes for all ages are closed for the summer so that our  
teachers may refresh and renew themselves spiritually.  
Classes will resume with our fall programming.*

**10 AM Nursery:** TBD

**10 AM Childcare:** Closed until September 10th



## Sunday's readings:

**First Reading** Exodus 3:1-15 **Psalm** 5:1-6, 23-26, 45c **Second Reading** Romans 12:9-21 **Gospel** Matthew 16:21-28

## 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

**Prayer Group:** Prayer Group on Labor Day, Monday September 4th, is cancelled. The next gathering of our prayer group will be Monday, September 18th at 6:15 PM. If you cannot attend, you may submit prayer requests by clicking [HERE](#).



**Altar Flowers:** The 2017 sign-up sheet for altar flowers is now available in the hallway outside of the parish hall. The cost is \$55, and you are able to dedicate your gift in the bulletin. It is a great way to celebrate a birthday or anniversary or just a special remembrance of a date. At the end of the 10 AM service you are invited to take your flowers home. You can pay by check and write "flowers" in the memo line or pay on-line on the HFEC website via the PayPal option on the [Contact Us](#) page.

## Rector Search

We will make every effort to keep all members of the congregation updated on our progress during our search for a new rector. Currently we are in the congregational self-discernment phase. Questions about the search process may be directed to our Senior Warden Ben Paden: [benpaden@hfec.org](mailto:benpaden@hfec.org) You may also follow our updates [ONLINE](#).

**Search Prayer:** Creator God, thank you for bringing us together as a holy village. Send the Holy Spirit to inspire and guide our Search Committee as they discern rector candidates to lead us in worship and service to others. Grant our Committee clarity, wisdom and vision as they work together in the selection of our new spiritual leader.

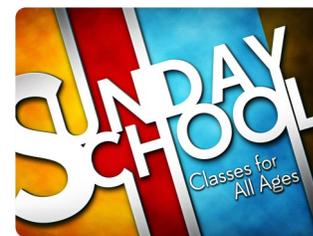
Grace us with joy, patience, mercy, and strength to continue to bear witness to the light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus. Open our hearts to support and care for each other during this time of transition. Likewise, prepare the heart of the priest who will answer our call for leadership. May this servant of God be responsive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We pray this in the name of Your Son, Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.



## Christian Education

**Sunday School Resumes:** Sunday school for all ages will resume on Sunday, September 10th at 9 AM. Classes are available for Godly Play (PreK-grade 1), Believers (grades 2-3), Disciples (grades 4-6), Youth Group (7-12), and adults. Volunteers are needed in our Children's Ministry program - please sign up by clicking [HERE](#). Registration cards are required for all ages and are available now.

**Mission Trip Presentation:** Please join us on Sunday, September 17th at 9 AM for a presentation made by the members of this year's Mission in the Mountains trip to Johnson City, TN. The participants will share personal stories and photos from their worship, fellowship, teambuilding, and service project experiences.



## Outreach Opportunities



**Outreach Focus - Care Kits for Kids:** Students in Holy Family's Godly Play class, grades PreK-1st grade, have partnered with HSE schools to create care kits of hygiene products for children who receive assistance via the Gleaner's Back Sack Program. Gleaners started this program as a way to care for the most vulnerable student population throughout the Indianapolis area. Many of the kids who participate in this program don't typically have access to food aside from the breakfast and lunch provided at school. The program is designed to send kids home on Friday with food that will last them through the weekend. While this program is great for sending food items home with the students, it doesn't provide additional hygiene items that students also need. In order to serve these children more fully, we plan to provide the students with items such as soap, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste, and a toothbrush. Please consider making a monetary donation to support this

program by writing CARE KITS in the memo line of your check. Care kits will be assembled in late September.

## Thanks Be to God

- Rev. Bob Dekker for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily [HERE](#)
- Ruth Everett, Lauren Hendrickson, Cheryl Burke, and Jolene Johnston for preparing food and organizing the Stewardship Ingathering reception; Bethany Paden, Teresa Conroy-Roth, and Cathy French for helping with reception clean-up

## Fellowship Gatherings

**The Doughnuts are Coming!** Beginning this fall, we will return to our doughnuts and coffee hospitality time following the 10 AM service each Sunday. Please consider signing up to host this important fellowship ministry by clicking [this link](#).

**Men's Brunch:** On Saturday, September 2nd from 10 AM - 12 PM all men of the church are invited to a Men's brunch for food, fellowship, and study in the Parish Hall. Please contact Joe Spangler or the church office with questions. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)

**Game Night:** Join us on Friday, September 8th beginning at 6 PM for our monthly game night. We'll play board games and card games - fun for the whole family. Food and drinks will be provided. See you there!



## Other News

**Childcare Volunteers Needed:** Please use [this link](#) to access the Sunday 10 AM Nursery sign-up sheet. All adult volunteers are required to complete online training through the Diocese. We are happy to contact you to begin this process once you sign up to volunteer. *10 AM Childcare for children in preschool - 1st grade is closed for the summer and will resume on September 10th.*



**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Our crafters will gather in the Narthex at 7 PM on Wednesday, September 6th.

**Newcomer Lunch:** If you have started attending Holy Family in the past six months, you are invited to a newcomer lunch that will be held on Sunday, September 10th at 11:45 AM in the Parish Hall. This is an opportunity to get to know the clergy and wardens of Holy Family. Please RSVP to the church office ([admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)) or [online](#) by Wednesday, September 6th so that enough food can be prepared. We look forward to meeting with you!

**Altar Guild Breakfast:** Please consider joining the Altar Guild for a Fall Breakfast to find out more about joining this wonderful ministry on Saturday, September 23rd at 9:30 AM in the parish hall. We will talk about what the job entails and you will have a chance to meet other Altar Guild members. Altar Guild is a behind the scenes ministry that is vital to the smooth operation of services, and it is very flexible to meet your schedule. In addition, it is a ministry that you can do with your kids! If you have questions please ask Greta Wilson or Lauren Wilson. Please RSVP to Greta via the church office: [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org).



### Happy Anniversary

Jim & Fran Browning      September 2  
 Bob & Tari Murray        September 3  
 Joe & Barb Spangler      September 5



Matthew Beard              September 1  
 Hannah Tannas             September 2  
 Jenny Barker                 September 4  
 Jenny Luce                     September 6

### Church Budget Through End of July:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$102,765	\$103,351
Expenses	\$93,217	\$102,143
Difference	\$9,548	\$1,208

**Pledging Options:** Did you know that you can issue checks from your bank directly to Holy Family? As more and more people stop carrying checkbooks with them, this is an easy option to set up recurring payments to fulfill your pledge for the year. If you prefer, you can pay your pledge via credit card through the church website. Simply use the secure PayPal link on the [Contact Us](#) page of the website. Please contact the church office if you have any questions. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)