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December 3, 2015

The Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Michael Galvin, Rector
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Office Hours:

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, December 15th. All are invited to attend.*

Serving This Sunday, December 6:

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Homily: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Charles Forman
Ushers: Scott Higgins, Paul Mundie
Readers: Betty Bogeman, Wade Nichols, Scott Wilson, Rachel Wilson
Prayers: Mara Yachik, Barb Spangler
Chalice: David Emerson, Lauren Hendrickson, Patrick Burke
Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Shannon Luce, Eliza Wilson, Lexi Burke
Healing: Nancy Thomas, Ruth Everett
LEV: Kristine Canter
Almoners: Dan Chillemi, Ginny Olsen
AG Sat. Set Up: Ginny Olsen, Greta Wilson
AG Bread: Evelyn Johnson
AG Set Sun. 10 a.m.: Ginny Olsen, Amy Mundie
AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson, Holly Forman
Hospitality: Rachelle Galvin

9 AM Sunday School and Adult Forum: During our 9 AM Christian formation hour in Advent, all children and adults will participate in intergenerational activities together. Please come to the sanctuary at 9 AM. The Nursery will be open for children under the age of three at this time.

10 AM Nursery: Charly Tunison

10 AM Childcare is closed while the education wing of the building is being renovated. Coloring boxes and story books are available in the Narthex for use by children in first grade and under during the worship service. We encourage children in second grade and higher to sing, read, and pray together with their families!



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Baruch 5:1-9 **Canticle 4** **Second Reading** Philippians 1:3-11 **Gospel** Luke 3:1-6

Our Mission

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



Celebration of Life Service

Please join us for the Joe Lungren Celebration of Life Service. Visitation will be held Monday, December 7th in the Narthex at Holy Family beginning at 10 AM. The service with Eucharist will begin at 11 AM in the Sanctuary. If you can help provide food at the visitation, please contact Nancy Thomas or the church office. admin@hfec.org Please keep Joe's wife Mary Esther and the entire family in your prayers.



Worship and Feast Days

Christmas Eve Music: We are looking for talented members of our youth to provide sacred music during our 5 PM Children's Service on Christmas Eve. An accompanist is available for vocalists or instrumentalists. Piano or other instrumental selections are also welcome. If you are interested in sharing your talent, please contact Cheryl Burke in the church office by Dec. 9th. Please note that in order to avoid duplications, we do ask you to provide the name of the piece and the composer/arranger as soon as possible.

Christian Education



Advent For All! Please join us at 9:00 AM this Sunday for an intergenerational program titled The Twelve Ways of Giving. Our talented Youth Group members will begin with a festive musical presentation. This will be an interactive program that will be appropriate for all ages. Our photo booth will also be available in the Narthex with this week's Advent word: LOVE.

Youth Group Meeting: Youth group members and teachers will be gathering for fellowship and lessons on December 6th from 6:30 PM-8:00 PM. We will be meeting at the Delaware Township government center during our parish expansion construction. We will be meeting every other week until usable space is available at HFEC. Please see Marty Blake for more information.

Youth Group Exchange Program: Your input is needed! Holy Family was selected to participate in the Youth Ministry Grant Initiative (YMGI) from the Center For Congregations (CFC). With this funding, Holy Family is developing a Youth Group Exchange Program with Anglican youth from another culture. Youth visiting Fishers will live out the outreach mission of Holy Family by working side by side in a week long mission project in central Indiana. You are invited to participate in one of the three upcoming discussion groups to learn about the program and help the committee develop the "reverse mission trip" portion of the program. Interested adults are asked to select one of the following discussion groups to attend. The youth are having separate discussions. The meetings will be held at the Galvin home, and adult beverages and appetizers will be served. Wednesday Dec. 9th, 6-8 PM; Friday Dec. 11th, 6-8 PM; Sunday Dec 13th, 1-3 PM. Additional information can be found [HERE](#).

Outreach Opportunities

Angel Tree Month: Angel Tree tags are still available. Please return unwrapped items with their Angel Tree tags by Sunday, December 13th. Bless your generosity!



Thanks Be to God

- Bryan Luce and Stephen Canter for assembling our Advent photo booth
- Susan Crouch for folding bulletins each week

Fellowship Gatherings

Coffee Hour: If you enjoy sharing food and fellowship at our coffee hour following the 10 AM service, please consider being a host or hostess. Since we are limited to the Narthex during this time, it is very easy to provide a few items for people to enjoy. Click on [this link](#) to sign up.



Holy Family Christmas Party: Save the date! Please join us for the annual Holy Family Christmas Party, to be held at the home of Father Mike and Rachelle Galvin **THIS Saturday, December 5th from 7-10 PM**. It is just our way of saying thank you for all you do to support our ministry together at Holy Family. While we love your children, *this is an adult-only gathering*. For directions to the Galvin home, please contact the church office. admin@hfec.org

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



Ugly Sweater Sunday: We want to see the ugliest Christmas sweaters you can find! Dig through the attic for gifts that have "gone into timeout," buy one at Goodwill, or even make one yourself. We'll enjoy sharing these festive frocks on Sunday, December 13th. To add to the fun, we'll award prizes for some of the most over-the-top sweaters. Come join the fun!

Greening of the Church: On Sunday, December 20th at 4 PM we will hold our annual greening of the church. Please come, one and all, to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. Children are welcome to attend and are expected to remain with their parents and help decorate. There is no childcare provided for this event. Following the decorating, pizza will be provided as a thank you for your hard work.

Other News

Amazon Smile Supports Holy Family! Don't forget - Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible [AmazonSmile](#) purchases to Holy Family Episcopal Church whenever you shop on AmazonSmile.



Nursery Volunteers Needed: We are in need of additional volunteers in our Nursery during the 10 AM service. Please use [this link](#) to access the sign-up sheet.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew: All men of the church are invited to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew gathering on Tuesday, January 26th at 7 PM. There is no meeting in late December due to the holidays.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our crafters will gather at a private home beginning at 7 PM on Wednesday, January 6th. Please contact the church office for directions. admin@hfec.org



Annual Meeting- January 17th: The Holy Family Annual Meeting will take place on January 17th from 9-9:50 AM. In order to facilitate a quick meeting, we will need two adults to volunteer to watch the children in 6th grade and under while they enjoy a movie and a snack. Youth Group members in 7th grade and higher are expected to attend the meeting. Please contact Jolene Johnston if you wish to volunteer to provide childcare during the meeting. jjohnston@hfec.org

Christmas Greenery Donations: Each year we decorate the Sanctuary with beautiful Christmas flowers and greenery. We ask parishioners to prayerfully consider donating money to pay for these items. Those who do will be thanked in the Christmas bulletins. Donation envelopes are available in the Narthex and are due on December 13th.

Construction Thank You Lunch: On December 17th at 12 noon, we will host a lunch for the construction workers who have been building our wonderful new spaces. We will have the lunch catered and are requesting donations to help cover the cost of the meal. Volunteers are needed to serve the meal as well. Those who wish to make donations or serve the meal are asked to contact Doug Tannas on Sunday or the church office during the week. admin@hfec.org

Carrie Keys	December 6
Dylan Waddell	December 6
Scott Higgins	December 8
Jolene Johnston	December 8

