

News You Can Use

The First Sunday in Lent

February 11, 2016

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 Ben Paden, **Junior Warden** Dan Chillemi;
Treasurer Betty Bogeman; Ethan Everett (youth), Bryan Luce,
Lauren Hendrickson, Elaine Pickens, Marty Blake, Doug Tannas,
Fred Stahly, Susie Beard, Debbie Talbert *Clerk* Jim Agnew

*The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday,
February 16th.*

Serving This Sunday, February 14:

Celebrant: The Rev. Michael Galvin
Homily: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Charles Forman
Ushers: Troy Everett, Scott Higgins
Readers: Skip Thomas, Betty Bogeman, Joel Bruns,
Lauren Hendrickson
Prayers: David Emerson, Jonathan Gosser
Chalice: David Emerson, Gary Snyder, Holly Forman
Acolytes: Paul Mundie, Shannon Luce, Matthew Beard, Maci Blake
Healing: Nancy Thomas, Stephen Canter
LEV: Kristine Canter
Almoners: Fred Stahly, Dan Chillemi
AG Sat. Set Up: Lauren Wilson, Jenny Barker
AG Bread: Evelyn Johnson
AG Set Sun. 10 a.m.: Ginny Olsen, Amy Mundie
AG Clean Up: Lauren Wilson, Jenny Barker
Hospitality: Canter, Harling

9 AM Adult Forum: The Jesus Fatwah

9 AM Sunday school:

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers: Stephen Canter, Cecelia Loney

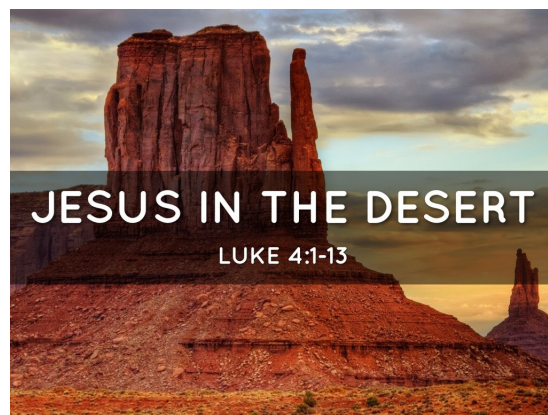
Disciples: Rachelle Galvin

Jr. High: Ruth Everett

Sr. High: Patrick Burke

10 AM Nursery: Assistance requested

10 AM Childcare: Assistance requested




Sunday's readings:

First Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11 **Psalm 91:1-2,9-16** **Second Reading** Romans 10:8b-13 **Gospel** Luke 4:1-13

Our Mission

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

Responses to the Communiqué from the Primates of the Anglican Communion

[Communiqué from the Primates of the Anglican Communion](#)  Click here to read



Presiding Bishop
Michael Curry's response



Diocese of Indianapolis
Bishop Catherine Waynick's response

Worship and Feast Days



Prayer Group: *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7*

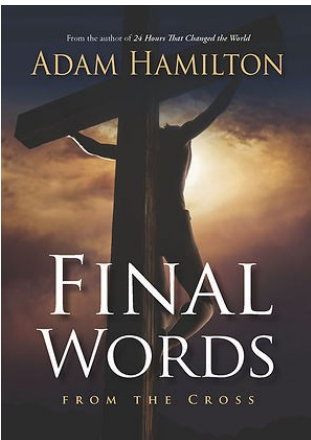
We have begun a Holy Family Prayer Group that meets the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 6:15 PM – 6:45 PM at church. During our time together, we will pray for the concerns of others. Our sacred time together will hold both silent and spoken prayer. We invite anyone to pray with us and to also request prayer by placing their written prayers in the prayer box at the front of church, using our [online prayer request form](#), or by telling Deacon Cathy their prayer requests. **Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. Jeremiah 29:12**

Christian Education

Sunday School Schedule: Sunday school for children and youth is in full swing for the new year. If you are interested in volunteering as a teacher or assistant in preschool-6th grade, please go online and [sign up](#). Please consider serving in this important ministry.

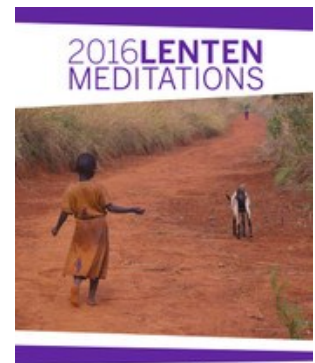
The Jesus Fatwah: Love Your (Muslim) Neighbor As Yourself: In The Jesus Fatwah, Islamic and Christian scholars offer reliable information about what Muslims believe, how they live out their faith, and how we all can be about building relationships across the lines of faith. Facilitated by Father Mike and Deacon Cathy, this important topic will be discussed during the 9:00 AM Adult Forum hour in our new parish hall on February 14th. Please join us!

Lenten Devotions: Written by a collection of Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion leaders and published by Forward Movement, Episcopal Relief & Development's 2016 Lenten Meditations center on the spiritual practices of our contributors and how the meditations of their hearts have transformed the way they encounter Jesus' presence in all persons. It is our hope that these Lenten meditations will deepen your faith in the risen Christ and strengthen your connection to our community that walks together with others around the world. Lenten devotions booklets from Episcopal Relief & Development are now available in the Narthex. You may also view this program online by clicking [HERE](#).



Final Words From the Cross: Join us for 9 AM Adult Forum beginning February 21st to examine Christ's dying hours and his final words as seen and heard by those who stood near the cross. Adam Hamilton's study provides insight into the scenes we hear in readings and song, and gives an opportunity for us to reflect on Jesus at the most traumatic time in his life.

Confirmation Class Forming: If you will be 16 years old by April 30th and wish to be confirmed, or are an adult and want to be received into the church, or want to make a reaffirmation of your Baptismal vows during a confirmation service with the bishop, please see Father Mike, Deacon Cathy, or Bob Murray. You may also contact the church office. admin@hfec.org There will be four, two-hour sessions from 11:30 AM -1:30 PM on the following Sundays: Feb. 28, March 6 & 13, and April 10.



Fellowship Gatherings

Breakfast Buddies: Join us for our adult meal group gathering beginning at 8:30 AM on Saturday, February 13th at the Roost in Fishers. No cooking, no clean up!

Youth Group Lock In: The youth group will be having a Lenten lock-in starting at 6 PM on February 19th and ending at 8 AM followed by brunch on February 20th. Youth will prepare and deliver a pizza meal to firefighters at Fire Station 91 on Friday night. Please see Marty Blake or Ruth Everett to RSVP for the event or if you have any questions.

Other News

Childcare Volunteers Needed: We are in critical need of additional childcare volunteers during the 10 AM service. Please use [this link](#) to access the Nursery sign-up sheet. To help supervise preK-1st grade children, please use [this link](#). Signing up to supervise children just 1-2 times per semester will make a tremendous difference to these important ministries. There's nothing to prepare, just come and spend time with our cool kids. Bless your willingness to serve!



Snacks for Miracle Place: The Disciples Class will be preparing snacks for the children that come to Miracle Place after school. The class will meet in the kitchen at Holy Family **THIS Saturday February 13th** from 1-3 PM for food preparation and fellowship!

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our crafters will gather at a private home beginning at 7 PM on Wednesday, March 2nd. Please contact the church office for directions. admin@hfec.org



Join Daughters of the King: Please join us at the church on **Friday, March 4th** at 7 PM to learn more about the Order of the Daughters of the King. *Please note the change of date.* We will discuss the discernment process for entry to the order and make Anglican prayer beads. For more information, please contact Barb Spangler or Annette Harling on Sunday or via the church office. admin@hfec.org

Dinner Groups Forming: Our ever popular Dinner Groups will be starting again this April. These groups of 4-5 families meet at one another's homes or in restaurants on a schedule that they set themselves. If you are interested in being part of a Dinner Group that will meet through the summer and into the fall, please sign-up on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. The kick-off event will take place at Holy Family on April 23rd at 5 p.m. For more information you may contact Susan Stahly, Jenny Barker, Kristine Canter, or the church office, admin@hfec.org.

Meal Ministry: The mission of Meal Ministry is to demonstrate love, mercy, hospitality, compassion and outreach by providing meals to those from Holy Family that are in need of a meal due to sickness, hospitalization or other hardship. When a meal is requested, we will notify the group of volunteers for interest in signing up to provide a meal or gift card for a meal. For more information contact: Kristine Canter, Fran Browning or the church office, admin@hfec.org.

Outreach Opportunities

Delaware Township Food Pantry: Hunger Month - "It is an eternal obligation toward the human being not to let him suffer from hunger when one has a chance of coming to his assistance." Simone Weil The township has asked us to help focus on the following items for donation: oatmeal packets, granola bars, applesauce, breakfast cereal, peanut butter, jelly, canned chunky soups, and macaroni & cheese. They also need toilet paper and cleaning supplies.

Meals for the Pour House: Members of the Youth Group will assemble sack lunches for the homeless through The Pour House. This event will take place from 10AM-12PM on Saturday, February 27th in the Youth Center and kitchen. Food item donations, monetary donations for food items, and volunteers from the congregation are needed for this important youth group outreach activity. Please see sign up sheets in the narthex. For more information, please contact the church office. admin@hfec.org

Thanks Be to God

- Dan Chillemi for providing landscape cleanup to our island in the parking lot
- Vestry members for providing their time and talent to lead our congregation

Dani Renckly February 11
Melissa Norcross February 12
Brad Daniells February 13



Deb Hoffmann February 14
Paul Mundie February 14
Nolan Stahly February 16

Explanation of Changes in the Church and Liturgy During Lent

There are a number of alterations made both in the decorations of the church as well as in the regular liturgy during Lent. Some of these include:

Liturgical Colors -The altar hangings are purple, a color of Jesus' royal kingship and of his royal priesthood, as he embraces suffering and finally death on the cross for his people.

Processional Cross -The regular shiny brass processional cross is replaced by a plain, wooden processional cross, reminding us of the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ on a tree. His sacrifice defeats death and makes us whole.

Flowers - There are no flowers on the altar during Lent, reflecting the focus on repentance over celebration.

Penitential Order - There are changes in the liturgy during Lent as well. The service starts with the Penitential Order, which focuses on confessing our sins and receiving forgiveness from the very beginning of our worship.

Music - The music used for the regular parts of the Eucharist changes; it is more in a minor key and in a more transcendent style.

Eucharistic Prayers - During Lent we will use Eucharistic Prayer C which is more penitential and requires greater participation from the congregation.

Post Communion Prayer - At the end, the post-communion prayer is different, demanding our attention to the actual words of what we are praying.

Alleluia - All Alleluias are dropped during Lent, reflecting that Lent is again about penitence over celebration.

Hymns - The hymns during Lent are different in character, with words that draw us to the holiness of God and our need for God's forgiveness and grace.

All of these changes to the liturgy during Lent are designed to get our attention and force us to engage the experience in a more present way. Hopefully our Lenten Services will help to take each of us out of our comfort zone and truly reflect on our lives and relationship with Christ.

Many Blessings My Friends,

Fr. Mike

