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The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Cathy Scott, Deacon

Jolene Johnston, Director of Children's Ministry and

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Marty Blake, Director of Youth Ministry Cheryl Burke, Parish Administrator Bethany Paden, Music Director Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday 9 AM - 2 PM

The Vestry:

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

The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday, February 21st.

Serving This Sunday, February 5:

Celebrant:The Rev. Kate WilsonHomily:The Rev. Kate WilsonDeacon:The Rev. Cathy ScottMusic Director:Bethany Paden

Greeter: Scott Wilson

Ushers: Troy Everett, Larry Pickens

Readers: Sandra Cline, Betty Bogeman, Joel Bruns, Joan Head

Prayers: Wade Nichols, Chris Brown

Chalice: David Emerson, Joe Spangler, Joan Head Acolytes: Bryan Luce, Shannon Luce, Mikaila Blake,

Matthew Beard

Healing: Nancy Thomas, Stephen Canter

LEV: Bryan Luce

Almoners: Susie Beard, Fred Stahly

AG Sat. Set Up: Greta Wilson, Kristine Canter

AG Bread: Evelyn Johnson AG Sun. Set Up: Greta Wilson

AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson, Jenny Barker

Hospitality: Bruns

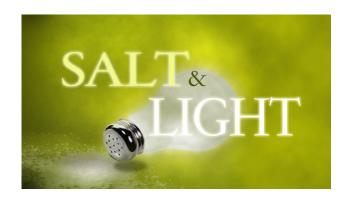
9 AM Sunday School:

Adult Forum: TED Talk - Emotional First Aid

Godly Play: Heather Tannas Believers: Lesley Cahalan Disciples: Bryan Luce

Youth Group: Marty Blake, Susie Beard

10 AM Nursery: Kristine Canter 10 AM Childcare: Susan Luce



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Isaiah 58:1-12 Psalm 112:1-9 Second Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-16 Gospel Matthew 5:13-20

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: The next gathering of our prayer group will be Monday, February 6th 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.

Ash Wednesday: Join us on Wednesday, March 1st for the imposition of ashes at 7 PM in the sanctuary.

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 separation and planning phase. Questions about the search process may be directed to our Senior Warden Ben Paden via the church office. admin@hfec.org You may also follow our updates ONLINE.

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Pray for faith-filled endings and preparation

- · Notify the Bishop's Office
- Form Transition Team
- · Say "Good Bye" well
- · Call Interim/Transition Priest
- Explore Diocesan Requirement for Search
- Review Search Options, Budget & Charge
- Choose Search/Discernment Committee

<u>Search Prayer</u>: 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

<u>Adult Forum</u>: Please join us this Sunday, February 5th at 9 AM for Adult Forum in the parish hall. This week we will be discussing a TED Talk by Guy Winch as he explains "Why we all need to practice emotional first aid."

<u>Confirmation Class Forming</u>: Confirmation is the service in which we make a mature public commitment to Christ and receive strength from the Holy Spirit and the laying on of hands by a Bishop. To prepare for confirmation, any baptized person 16 years or older is welcome to participate in the class, including adults who want to be received into the Episcopal Church or those who want to reaffirm their commitment to Christ. See Deacon Cathy or Bob Murray for more information or sign up <u>ONLINE</u> to participate. Classes will be held on Sundays from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM beginning February 19th (schedule will be distributed to those participating.)



<u>Sunday School Teachers Needed</u>: Being a part of the spiritual development of Holy Family's children is a powerful way to reaffirm your own faith and connection to God. Sunday school lessons include a variety of activities from reading the bible to crafts and games depending on the grade level. If you are interested in teaching or assisting in PreK-6th grade Sunday school classes on Sunday mornings, please sign up <u>ONLINE</u> or contact Jolene Johnston. jjohnston@hfec.org

Outreach Opportunities

<u>Delaware Township Food Pantry Month</u>: The food pantry has asked for the following items: sugar, oil, flour, juice, peanut butter/jelly, spaghetti sauce, rice, dried beans, canned fruit, crackers, oatmeal, cereal, household cleaners, laundry detergent, bleach, personal hygiene items. *This list includes suggestions, but any canned or nonperishable item is gratefully received.*

A letter to Holy Family from the Delware Township Trustee, Debbie Driskell:

Your congregation has faithfully donated to our pantry for many years. Words cannot express how much we appreciate your steadfast generosity. We are excited to learn that you are continuing your efforts to end hunger in our community.

The Delaware Township Food Pantry is funded solely by donations. Because of this we are able to serve two other townships besides our own. Residents of Delaware, Wayne and Fall Creek Townships may use our pantry. We feel that by serving the area that comprises our school system we better serve our community.



The Delaware Township Food Pantry distributed 27,647 pounds of food and household supplies in 2016. We aided 645 households and 2,347 people.

The number of households reflects each usage and should not be interpreted to mean 645 different households. Some families are dependent upon food pantries to supply much of their family's nutritional needs, so if they would happen to use our pantry every month they would be counted twelve times.

Usage was down this year by 1,769 pounds. We have observed that people who lost their jobs in 2016 were likely to find one more quickly than in past years. However, we are concerned that donations were also down by 2,926.5 pounds. We appreciate your help!

Fellowship Gatherings

<u>Game Night:</u> Join us on February 10th 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!



Youth Group Dinner Meeting: On Sunday, February 19th, all youth group students are invited to our monthly gathering. Dinner will be served at 5:30 PM, and the meeting will end no later than 8 PM. Please contact Youth Director Mary Blake if you have any questions. mblake@hfec.org

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: Join us for our annual pancake supper on Tuesday, February 28th from 5:00-7:00 PM. This event is a fundraiser for youth group activities. Tickets are on sale following each Sunday service - please look for the youth group table near the parish hall. Family (\$15), Adult/child over 10 (\$5), Child under 10 (\$3).

Thanks Be to God

- The Reverend Kate Wilson for celebrating Eucharist with us view her homily HERE
- Bethany Paden and Barb Spangler for leading the Daughters of the King study retreat; Ruth Everett for hosting the retreat meals and hospitality

Happy Anniversary

Bill & Mary Dickason February 4

Bryan Luce February 2
Grady Tunison February 2
Nancy Thomas February 4
Bob French February 5
Ella Haisley February 6



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Other News

Boy Scout Sunday: The Boy Scouts of America designates the Sunday that falls before February 8th (Scouting Anniversary Day) as Scout Sunday, which is the primary date to recognize the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting. On February 5th all boy scouts, boy scout leaders, and those involved with scouting are invited to wear their uniforms and receive a blessing during the 10 AM service. Active scouts are encouraged to wear their full, Class A dress uniforms. Please contact Jolene Johnston for more information. jjohnston@hfec.org

Boy Scout Sunday

<u>Hospitality Help Wanted</u>: Please consider signing up to host our donuts and coffee time following the 10 AM service. You may find more information about this ministry by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

<u>Childcare Volunteers Needed:</u> We are in need of nursery and childcare volunteers during the 10 AM service. Please use <u>this link</u> to access the Nursery sign-up sheet and <u>this link</u> to help with PreK-1 childcare. Signing up to supervise children just 1-2 times per quarter will make a tremendous difference to this important ministry. Students in grades 9-12 are invited to participate as assistants. 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.



<u>Coffeehouse Talent Show</u>: Join us <u>THIS Saturday</u>, <u>February 4th at 7 PM</u> as we showcase the talents of some of Holy Family's Youth Group and adult members. Enjoy a dessert and beverage in our parish hall-turned-coffeehouse and support the activities and mission trip of our youth. *A freewill offering will be taken at the door*.

<u>"Love for Waycross" Fundraiser</u>: A Waycross fundraiser will be held at 6 PM on February 10th at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Indianapolis. This event's meal will

be prepared on-site by Chef Kyle Dahncke. Enjoy appetizers, dinner (vegetarian option available), dessert & drinks (alcoholic & non). \$50/person, adults 21+. See more information by clicking **HERE**.



<u>Newcomer Lunch</u>: If you have started attending Holy Family in the six months, you are invited to a newcomer lunch that will be held on Sunday, February 12th at 11:45 in the Parish Hall. This is an opportunity to get to know the clergy, staff and wardens of Holy Family. Please RSVP to the church office (admin@hfec.org) by Wednesday, Feb. 8th so that enough food can be prepared. Please register HERE.



Godly Play at Recreation Unlimited: All children in PreK-1st grade are invited to our annual fellowship field trip to Recreation Unlimited on Sunday, February 12th from 12 - 2 PM. The cost is \$12 per child. Recreation Unlimited allows children who are eight years old and younger to experience their Play Zone. Please see Mrs. Tannas or Mrs. Johnston for a registration form. jjohnston@hfec.org

<u>Amazon Supports Holy Family</u>: When you start at <u>Smile.Amazon.com</u> your sales help Holy Family. Choose Holy Family as your organization to support and share the love!

<u>Prayer Shawl Ministry</u>: Our crafters will gather in the Narthex beginning at 7 PM on Wednesday, March 8th.

<u>Men's Breakfast</u>: All men of the parish are invited to our manly men's breakfast on Saturday, March 11th from 9 AM - Noon. Bring a friend!

Church Budget Through End of December:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$214,467	\$231,464
Expenses	\$241,757	\$255,897
Difference	-\$27,290	-\$24,433

<u>Pledging Options:</u> 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

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