

News You Can Use

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2017

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
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Bethany Paden, Music Director

Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday 9 AM - 2 PM

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, March 21st.

Serving This Sunday, March 26:

Celebrant: The Rev. Steven Giovangelo
Homily: The Rev. Steven Giovangelo
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Judi Taflinger
Ushers: Andrew Barker, Joe Schrock
Readers: Wade Nichols, Jeff Merryman, Greta Wilson, Bob Murray
Prayers: David Emerson, Jonathan Gosser
Chalice: Sandra Cline, Joan Head, Debbie Talbert
Acolytes: Bryan Luce, Thomas Canter, Eliza Wilson, Sarah Beard
Healing: Nancy Thomas, Scott Wilson
LEV: Scott Wilson
Almoners: Susie Beard, Doug Tannas
AG Sat. Set Up: Jenny Barker
AG Bread: Paul Mundie
AG Sun. Set Up: Amy Mundie
AG Clean Up: Jenny Barker, Lauren Wilson
Hospitality: Cahalan

9 AM Sunday School:

Adult Forum: Lenten Discipleship

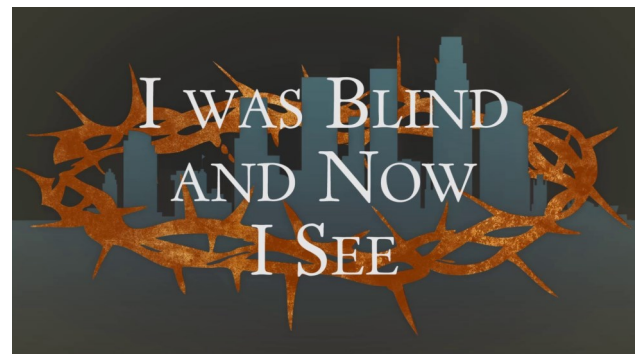
Godly Play: Jolene Johnston

Believers/Disciples: Bob Murray, Lesley Cahalan

Youth Group: Marty Blake, Ruth Everett

10 AM Nursery: Teresa Conroy-Roth

10 AM Childcare: Assistance requested



Sunday's readings:

First Reading 1 Samuel 16:1-13 **Psalm 23** **Second Reading** Ephesians 5:8-14 **Gospel** John 9:1-41

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, April 3rd at 6:15 PM. If you cannot attend, you may submit prayer requests by clicking [HERE](#).

Holy Week Service Roles: We are in need of volunteers to fulfill the service roles for Holy Week. Please sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex or on the church website [HERE](#) if you wish to serve during any of the Holy Week services. Please contact the church office with any questions. admin@hfec.org

Palm Sunday: To commemorate Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, we join in a procession at 8 and 10 AM with singing and the waving of palm leaves. The reading of the Passion Gospel, with members of the congregation taking the various roles, highlights this service.

Maundy Thursday: We remember the Last Supper with a service that includes, for those who wish to participate, the washing of each other's feet. Following the service, some members of the congregation maintain an all-night vigil, including visiting the stations of the cross.

Good Friday: This solemn service commemorates Christ's sacrifice for us on the cross. We are offered the opportunity to venerate the cross in silence.

Easter Vigil: This Saturday evening service is the first service of Easter. This wonderful service features the lighting of the Paschal candle and the sharing of its light among the congregation, the reading of Scripture that illuminates "God's saving deeds in history," joyous baptisms, the ringing of bells and the proclamation that "Christ is risen."

Easter Sunday: During our regular 8 AM and 10 AM services, we affirm that "the Lord is risen indeed." This service is family-friendly; all are invited to participate. Nursery care is provided for children under the age of three.

Invite your friends and family to spend Holy Week at Holy Family.



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Maundy Thursday 7 PM
Good Friday 7 PM
Saturday Vigil 8 PM
Easter Sunday 8 & 10 AM
Easter Brunch 9 AM
Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 AM

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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](#).

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.

1 – SEPARATION & PLANNING

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



Christian Education

Lenten Adult Forum: What does it mean to be a disciple of our Lord? Each Sunday during Lent, in 9 AM Adult Forum, we will discover and practice one of the holy habits of discipleship: Prayer. Worship. Learning. Service. Giving. Participants will also be linked as prayer partners. Come and see how discipleship can deepen our relationships with God and each other and broaden our vision of the Kingdom of God in our midst! Questions? Contact Deacon Cathy. cscott@hfec.org



Hero Central VBS: Holy Family will be bringing back VBS this summer! Please prayerfully consider volunteering, contributing supplies, or giving a monetary donation. *We also need youth volunteers (rising 6th grade and older.)* We will be taking kids on an awesome adventure along side some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make all of us truly heroic in God's eyes. VBS Hero Central will have music, science, crafts, games, bible stories, and snacks! Help kids discover their strength in God! For more information please contact Kristine Canter or Jolene Johnston. jjohnston@hfec.org

Outreach Opportunities

Homeless Month: In 2015, an average there were 794 veterans with children who identified as homeless. Want to take action to help the homeless? Here is something you can do!

Clothe the poor: Help Belynda Gilpin (Barb Spangler's sister) in her clothing ministry at Otterbein United Methodist Church. See the clothing you donate on the families of the near-homeless and poor citizens of Indianapolis. Contact Deacon Cathy to get connected. cscott@hfec.org



Escape Homelessness Day: The Escape Rooms [Indy](#) and [Fishers](#) are helping to put an end to our city's homelessness, especially for the children! On Tuesday, April 18th, 100% of ticket sales from Escape Room Downtown and Fishers will go to help combat and prevent family homelessness in Indy through [Dayspring Center](#). Get a team of 6 or 12 friends or family members together. Select your themed escape room from five downtown or six in Fishers. Book your team's preferred time slot on April 18. Your team will get 60 minutes to find clues, solve puzzles, and discover keys and combinations to escape the locked room together. Get ready for the best interactive entertainment experience of your life!

Fellowship Gatherings

Easter Brunch: Congregation members and guests at Holy Family are invited to participate in our annual Easter Brunch held at 9 AM between Easter Sunday services. This event is a joyous gathering filled with delicious food prepared by parishioners and shared among families. **The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex and available [online](#) if you wish to provide food or drinks for this event.**

Game Night: Join us on Friday, April 21st 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!

Men's Breakfast: All men of the parish are invited to our men's breakfast on Saturday, April 22nd from 9 AM - Noon. Bring a friend!

Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction: On April 22nd, Holy Family's Youth Group will hold its annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction fundraiser event. This event supports the mission work of our youth.

We are inviting members of the congregation to join in the fun by donating a themed basket of items (tax-deductible) valued between \$20-50 for the auction. You are also invited to make a monetary donation, and we will create a basket in your name.

Donated items are due by Palm Sunday, April 9th. Contact Jolene Johnston for more information. jjohnston@hfec.org



Other News

Hospitality Help Wanted: 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 [HERE](#).

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



Community Garden Kick-off Meeting: On April 1st at 10 AM there will be a Community Garden meeting held in the Narthex. All gardeners and those interested in learning more about the garden are invited to attend. If the weather cooperates the meeting will be followed by some clean-up work in the garden. Please contact James Keith with questions holyfamilygarden@gmail.com.



Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our crafters will gather in the Narthex at 7 PM on Wednesday, April 5th.

Easter Eggs: Bags filled with empty Easter eggs are available in the Narthex near the welcome desk. We invite you to take home a bag of eggs and fill them with individually-wrapped candy (no loose jelly beans), stickers, temporary tattoos, erasers, or small toys. Please loosely tie the bag shut and return it to church by Palm Sunday, April 9th. We appreciate your generosity in helping continue this tradition for Holy Family's children and visitors.

Thanks Be to God

- Father Steve for celebrating Eucharist with us - view his homily [HERE](#)
- Youth Group families for providing dinner items for this month's meeting: Johnston, Luce, Cleaver, Canter, Bruns, Blake



Henry Jendraszak

March 25

Church Budget Through End of February:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$32,492	\$29,529
Expenses	\$27,935	\$31,950
Difference	\$4,557	-\$2,421

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