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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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#### **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

#### **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, May 16th.

# Serving This Sunday, May 14:

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Bruce Gray Homily: The Rev. Canon Bruce Gray Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott

Music Director: Bethany Paden Greeter: Barb Spangler

Ushers: Bob French, Joe Spangler

Readers: David Emerson, Wade Nichols, Joel Bruns, Joan Head

Prayers: Sandra Cline, Chris Brown

Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Gary Snyder, Ruth Everett

Acolytes: Bryan Luce, Ian Johnston, Noah Tannas, Sophia Paden

Healing: Wade Nichols, Stephen Canter

LEV: Stephen Canter

Almoners: Fred Stahly, Susie Beard
AG Sat. Set Up: Kris Brown
AG Bread: Chris Brown

AG Sun. Set Up: Open

AG Clean Up: Kris Brown, Holly Forman

Hospitality: Chillemi

#### 9 AM Sunday School:

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers/Disciples: Jolene Johnston Youth Group: All adult mentors 10 AM Nursery: Dan Chillemi

10 AM Childcare: Assistance requested



# Sunday's readings:

First Reading Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5,15-16 Second Reading 1 Peter 2:2-10 Gospel John 14:1-14

### **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, May 15th at 6:15 PM. If you cannot attend, you may submit prayer requests by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

<u>The Bishop is Coming!</u> On Sunday, May 21st, our new Bishop Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows will visit Holy Family for the first time. On that day she will lead our Sunday school hour at 9 AM for those in second grade and older. A special hospitality hour will follow the 10 AM service – please consider <u>signing up</u> to help. All are invited to attend.



<u>Confirmation Service</u>: Four Holy Family parishioners (Teresa Conroy-Roth, Ian Johnston, Connor Wilson, and Rachel Wilson) will be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church through the laying on of hands by our new Bishop Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows on Thursday, May 25th at 7 PM at Christ Church Cathedral, Indianapolis. All members of our congregation are invited to attend the service to celebrate with our confirmands. If you cannot attend, please pray for and congratulate them.

### **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 You may also follow our updates ONLINE.



<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.

## **Outreach Opportunities**

<u>Community Garden Month</u>: Per the USDA, 12.7% of US households are food insecure. In Indiana, 15.3% of households are food insecure. There is increasing demand for community gardens to donate fresh produce to their local food pantries. In 2016 The Hamilton county Soil Water Conservation District (HCSWCD) started the Urban Agriculture Program to network Hamilton county



community gardens and help partner them with food pantries. The Holy Family Community Garden aims to provide a gardening opportunity to community members and develop relationships among and with community members beyond the garden. There are still plots available for \$10. Please email holyfamilygarden@gmail.com to reserve your garden plot.

**HELP WANTED!** We are looking for a volunteer to deliver donated vegetables from the community garden to Fishers United Methodist Church on Wednesday mornings between 9 AM - Noon in the summer. Please contact garden coordinator James Keith if you can help. holyfamilygarden@gmail.com

<u>Mother's Day Shopping</u>: <u>Mother's Day is THIS Sunday, May 14th.</u> Shop at <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and Amazon will donate to Holy Family Episcopal Church.

<u>Help for the Homeless</u>: We are collecting \$5 gift cards to McDonald's to add to the bags packed by our children and youth last week. Please turn them in to Marty Blake, Jolene Johnston, or Cheryl Burke in the church office. Please email Youth Director Marty Blake for more information. mblake@hfec.org

**<u>2017 Mission Trip:</u>** This year our Youth Group students and adult mentors will travel to Johnson City, TN from July 14-19 to St. John's Episcopal Church. Please contact Marty Blake by May 15th to reserve a spot on the trip. mblake@hfec.org



### Thanks Be to God

- Canon Gray for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily **HERE**
- Those who attended our quarterly Newcomer Lunch
- Those who supported our annual flower sale
- Betty Bogeman for organizing the annual flower sale; Kim Agnew and Evelyn Johnson for helping sort and distribute flowers

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### **Christian Education**

<u>9 AM Adult Forum</u>: Please join us at 9 AM this Sunday, May 14th as the Finance Committee discusses church finances, stewardship, and the impact on our search for a new rector.

Hero Central VBS: VBS returns to Holy Family on June 5-9, 2017. Please prayerfully consider volunteering, contributing supplies or giving a monetary donation. We also need youth volunteers (vising 6th grade and older)

supplies, or giving a monetary donation. *We also need youth volunteers (rising 6th grade and older.)*Registration is open now: CLICK HERE. For more information please contact Kristine Canter or Jolene Johnston. jjohnston@hfec.org

<u>New Preschool</u>: Stepping Stones Child Development Center, Inc. at Holy Family has Christian preschool openings for children ages 17 months - 5 years. More information is available by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

# Fellowship Gatherings

<u>Game Night</u>: Join us on Friday, May 12th 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!

<u>Popcorn is Coming!</u> In the summer at Holy Family we enjoy popcorn hospitality following the 10 AM service. Please click <u>HERE</u> to sign up to volunteer.

From the MOMS Club: The MOMS Club would like to thank you for opening your doors to allow us to have our Monthly Meetings in the parish hall! Moms Offering Moms Support is a non for-profit organization with chapters all over the United States. We are a local Fishers group of moms that gather and meet to do a variety of activities to support moms and children. If you would like to know more information about MOMS Club or have questions about joining please visit our website or inquire via email at the following address: momsclubfisherswest@gmail.com

### Other News

<u>Childcare Volunteers Needed</u>: Please use <u>this link</u> to access the Sunday 10 AM Nursery sign-up sheet and <u>this link</u> to help with PreK-1 childcare. 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. The last day for 10 AM Childcare is May 21st. *We will close for the summer*.

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



<u>Allisonville Nursery</u>: Many thanks to Allisonville Garden & Home for their generous donations and expertise in helping install landscaping as the final piece of our City of God expansion project last fall. All of the plantings and trees are blooming beautifully this spring!

Connor Renckly	May 12
Hillary Blake	May 13
Evelyn Johnson	May 15



#### **Church Budget Through End of April:**

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$58,720.34	\$58,724.68
Expenses	\$54,919.08	\$60,593.68
Difference	\$3,801.26	-\$1,869.00

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

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