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The Fourth 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

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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 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 7:

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

Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Larry Pickens

Ushers: Troy Everett, Andrew Barker

Readers: Jeff Merryman, David Emerson, Scott Wilson,

Greta Wilson

Prayers: Wade Nichols, Jonathan Gosser

Chalice: Sandra Cline, Jim Taflinger, Debbie Talbert Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Thomas Canter, Mikaila Blake,

Sarah Beard

Healing: Nancy Thomas, Scott Wilson

LEV: Scott Wilson

Almoners: Doug Tannas, Lee Cahalan AG Sat. Set Up: Lauren Wilson AG Bread: Evelyn Johnson

AG Sun. Set Up: Open

AG Clean Up: Lauren Wilson, Kristine Canter

Hospitality: Dial

9 AM Sunday School:

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers/Disciples: Jolene Johnston, Lesley Cahalan

Youth Group: Ben Paden, Susie Beard

10 AM Nursery: Lauren Hendrickson

10 AM Childcare: Assistance requested



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 Second Reading 1 Peter 2:19-25 Gospel John 10:1-10

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 HERE.

The Bishop is Coming! 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 signing up to help. All are invited to attend.



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.



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.

Outreach Opportunities

Community Garden Month: 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.

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

Help for the Homeless: 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



2017 Mission Trip: This year our Youth Group students and adult mentors will travel to Johnson City, TN from July 14-19 to work with the youth of St. John's Episcopal Church. Please contact Marty Blake by May 1st to reserve a spot on the trip. mblake@hfec.org

Thanks Be to God

- Father Bob for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily **HERE**
- Bryan Luce for carrying the HFEC banner at the bishop's consecration
- Children's Ministry and Youth Group students for packing bags of supplies for the homeless; Mikaila Blake and Lauren Crimm for organizing the service project
- Those who provided music at our Eastertide Taizé service: Hillary and Marty Blake, Jonathan and Linda Gosser, Bob Murray, and Bryan Luce
- David Emerson and Bob French for doing touch-up painting around the church



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Christian Education

<u>9 AM Adult Forum</u>: "A single individual is enough for hope to exist, and that hope can be you," Pope Francis says. Join us as we watch and discuss Pope Francis's recent TED Talk, "Why the Only Future Worth Building Includes Everyone" during our 9 AM Adult Forum this Sunday, May 7th.



<u>Hero Central VBS</u>: 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* (*rising 6th grade and older.*) Registration is open now: <u>CLICK HERE</u>. 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.



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.

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!

Cathy Scott	May 5
Jennifer Solodow	May 5
Rachel Wilson	May 7
Lesley Cahalan	May 9



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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