

News You Can Use

July 20, 2017

The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

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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Church Office Hours:

Please note that summer office hours vary. While someone will be in the office most weeks Monday-Wednesday from 9-2, it is best to call before you visit to be sure there is staff available to greet you. (317) 842-4133

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, August 15th.

Serving this Sunday, July 23:

Celebrant: The Rev. John Conners
Homily: The Rev. John Conners
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Debbie Talbert
Ushers: Joe Spangler, Bob French
Readers: Sandra Cline, Bob Murray
Prayers: David Emerson
Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Debbie Talbert, Ruth Everett
Acolytes: Ian Johnston, Maci Blake, Lauren Cahalan
Healing: Wade Nichols
LEV: Scott Wilson
Almoners: Debbie Talbert, Dan Chillemi
AG Sat. Set Up: Greta Wilson
AG Bread: Greta Wilson
AG Sun. Set Up: Amy Mundie
AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson
Hospitality: Assistance Requested

9 AM Sunday School:

Classes for all ages are closed for the summer so that our teachers may refresh and renew themselves spiritually. Classes will resume in mid-August.

10 AM Nursery: Kate Chillemi

10 AM Childcare: *Closed for the summer*



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Genesis 28:10-19a **Psalm 139:1-11,22-23** **Second Reading** Romans 8:12-25 **Gospel** Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

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, August 7th at 6:15 PM. If you cannot attend, you may submit prayer requests by clicking [HERE](#).



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.



Discovery Day is an important part – perhaps *the most important part* – of the search process for a new Rector to Holy Family. **THIS Sunday, July 23rd, we will come together for structured “Holy Conversations” about our church, our congregation, and our discernment transition.**

Please plan to attend this small group experience that guarantees every voice is heard and recorded and contributes to the narrative that will become our ministry portfolio. All adults and youth are invited and encouraged to participate. The day begins with a 9 AM Eucharist service and includes a light lunch, concluding by 1:30 PM. Child care will be provided.

Your contribution is vital to the future of Holy Family, and brings with it the opportunity to meet some new friends and strengthen your relationship with others as we move forward together in our mission to “bear witness to the Light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus, nourishing people and transforming lives.”

Outreach Opportunities

Outreach Focus - Tools 4 School: Since many area schools begin their fall semester in early August, we will be collecting supplies during the month of July. Please considering donating any of the needed supplies: Composition Notebooks, Tri-Fold Science Fair Displays, Pencil Pouches, Backpacks, 24 count Crayola Crayons, Big Pink Erasers, Plastic Pencil Boxes, Wide Ruled Spiral Notebooks, Pencils, White Index Cards, Colored Index Cards, Yellow Highlighters, Expo Black Dry Erase Markers, 2 Pocket Folders any color. Supplies will be collected in the Narthex through July 31st.



Thanks Be to God

- Rev. John Conners for celebrating Eucharist with us
- Mission in the Mountains chaperones: Marty Blake, Ruth Everett, Jolene Johnston, Fred Stahly, Tara Thomas, John Thomas, and Ellen Wallen
- Father Hal Hutchison and Deacon Cathy Scott for supporting our Mission in the Mountains work
- HFEC Mission in the Mountains youth participants: Charlie Barker, Mikaila Blake, Zoe Bruns, Thomas Canter, Caleb Garcia, Ian Johnston, Matthew Johnston, Jenny Luce, Shannon Luce, and Katlyn Stahly
- All those prayed for our Mission in the Mountains crew

Christian Education

New Preschool: 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 [HERE](#).

Retreat Opportunity: On August 4th & 5th, Jonathan Gosser will be hosting a retreat on Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Harlem Renaissance. The retreat will be held at the Brown County Inn in Nashville, IN. For more information please pick up a flyer at the welcome desk in the Narthex.

Preschool
openings



Fellowship Gatherings

Game Night: Join us on Friday, August 18th 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!

Keep Things Popping! In the summer at Holy Family we enjoy popcorn hospitality following the 10 AM service. Please click [HERE](#) to sign up to volunteer.



Confirmation Celebration: You're invited to a celebration on Sunday, July 30th, of our 2017 confirmation class -- Ian Johnston, Teresa Conroy-Roth, Connor Wilson, and Rachel Wilson. We'll have a special hospitality hour from 9-10 AM with cake and ice cream, and a special liturgy as part of the 10 AM service. Join us to celebrate with and congratulate these four parishioners who were recently confirmed/received into the Episcopal Church.

Other News

Childcare Volunteers Needed: Please use [this link](#) to access the Sunday 10 AM Nursery sign-up sheet. 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. *10 AM Childcare for children in preschool - 1st grade is closed for the summer and will resume in August.*

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our crafters will gather in the Narthex at 7 PM on Wednesday, August 2nd.



Kendra Butt July 23
Fran Browning July 26

Happy Anniversary!

Brian & Jody Ruark July 23
Dan & Kate Chillemi July 26

Church Budget Through End of June:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$85,444	\$88,587
Expenses	\$81,828	\$89,238
Difference	\$3,616	-\$651

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