

# News You Can Use

*The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

August 24, 2017

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday from 9 AM -2PM

**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

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, September 19th.*

## Serving this Sunday, August 27:

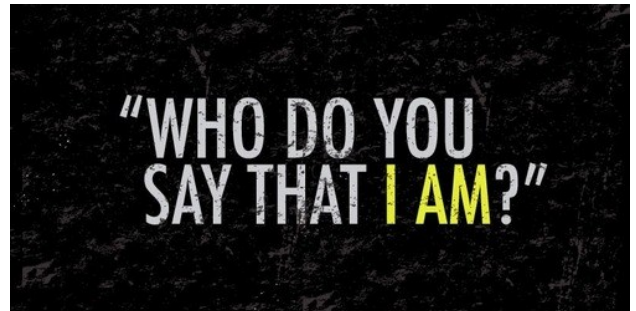
**Celebrant:** The Rev. Robert Dekker  
**Homily:** The Rev. Robert Dekker  
**Deacon:** The Rev. Cathy Scott  
**Music Director:** Bethany Paden  
**Greeter:** Debbie Talbert  
**Ushers:** Joe Spangler, *Assistance requested*  
**Readers:** David Emerson, Greta Wilson  
**Prayers:** Joan Head  
**Chalice:** David Emerson, Ruth Everett  
**Acolytes:** Ian Johnston, Lexi Burke, Matthew Beard  
**Healing:** Scott Wilson  
**LEV:** Ruth Everett  
**Almoners:** Lauren Wilson, Susie Beard  
**AG Sat. Set Up:** Cathy French  
**AG Bread:** Evelyn Johnson  
**AG Sun. Set Up:** Amy Mundie  
**AG Clean Up:** Cathy French, Greta Wilson  
**Hospitality:** Stewardship Committee

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 with our fall programming.*

**10 AM Nursery:** Bethany Cason

**10 AM Childcare:** *Closed until September 10th*



## Sunday's readings:

**First Reading** Exodus 1:8-2:10 **Psalm 124** **Second Reading** Romans 12:1-8 **Gospel** Matthew 16:13-20

## 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

**Stewardship Sunday:** Please join us for one service at 9 AM on Sunday, August 27th.

We will gather our entire parish family to worship and thank God for His many blessings.



**Your 2018 financial pledge will allow our rector search to move forward.** Your annual pledge of financial support to Holy Family has special importance this year, as we search for a new rector to become the spiritual leader of our congregation. Our Search Committee is awaiting the results of our annual pledge campaign before it takes the next steps in the search process. Assuming a strong financial commitment is made by members of the congregation, the Search Committee could begin discussions with potential rector candidates as early as next month. Pledge packets were recently distributed to all givers of record, and additional pledge cards are available in the narthex. Please complete your pledge card and either mail it to the church or bring it to church for our in-gathering this Sunday, August 27th. You may also submit your pledge [online](#).

Immediately following the worship service, we'll enjoy special hospitality in the parish hall. We hope you'll join us!

## 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](mailto:benpaden@hfec.org) You may also follow our updates [ONLINE](#).

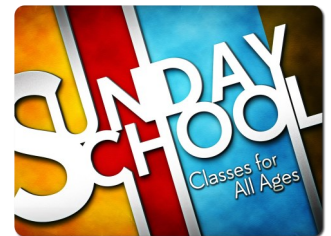
**Search Prayer:** Creator God, thank you for bringing us together as a holy village. Send the Holy Spirit to inspire and guide our Search Committee as they discern rector candidates to lead us in worship and service to others. Grant our Committee clarity, wisdom and vision as they work together in the 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.



## Christian Education

**Sunday School Resumes:** Sunday school for all ages will resume on Sunday, September 10th at 9 AM. Classes are available for Godly Play (PreK-grade 1), Believers (grades 2-3), Disciples (grades 4-6), Youth Group (7-12), and adults. Volunteers are needed in our Children's Ministry program - please sign up by clicking [HERE](#).



**Mission Trip Presentation:** Please join us on Sunday, September 17th at 9 AM for a presentation made by the members of this year's Mission in the Mountains trip to Johnson City, TN. The participants will share personal stories and photos from their worship, fellowship, teambuilding, and service project experiences.

## Outreach Opportunities



**Outreach Focus - Care Package Ministry:** Holy Family supports college students and those deployed in the military through our Care Package Ministry. Please use [THIS LINK](#) to submit mailing information to participate in this year's program. Monetary donations toward the cost of supplies and postage are appreciated - please write "Care Package Ministry" in the memo line of your check.

**Third Phase Emergency Food Drive:** Third Phase is the only homeless shelter in Hamilton County, and is currently at full capacity of 33 residents. Third Phase is asking for our help with an emergency food drive. The most needed items are shelf stable canned vegetables, fruits, soups, and meats as well as boxed food of all kinds. Please donate generously!

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## Fellowship Gatherings

**The Doughnuts are Coming!** Beginning this fall, we will return to our doughnuts and coffee hospitality time following the 10 AM service each Sunday. Please consider signing up to host this important fellowship ministry by clicking [this link](#).

**Men's Brunch:** On Saturday, September 2nd from 10 AM - 12 PM all men of the church are invited to a Men's brunch for food, fellowship, and study in the Parish Hall. Please contact Joe Spangler or the church office with questions. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)



**Game Night:** Join us on Friday, September 8th 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!

## 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 on September 10th.*

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Our crafters will gather in the Narthex at 7 PM on Wednesday, September 6th.

**Newcomer Lunch:** If you have started attending Holy Family in the past six months, you are invited to a newcomer lunch that will be held on Sunday, September 10th at 11:45 AM in the Parish Hall. This is an opportunity to get to know the clergy and wardens of Holy Family. Please RSVP to the church office ([admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)) or [online](#) by Wednesday, September 6th so that enough food can be prepared. We look forward to meeting with you!



**Altar Guild Breakfast:** Please consider joining the Altar Guild for a Fall Breakfast to find out more about joining this wonderful ministry on Saturday, September 23rd at 9:30 AM in the parish hall. We will talk about what the job entails and you will have a chance to meet other Altar Guild members. Altar Guild is a behind the scenes ministry that is vital to the smooth operation of services, and it is very flexible to meet your schedule. In addition, it is a ministry that you can do with your kids! If you have questions please ask Greta Wilson or Lauren Wilson. Please RSVP to Greta via the church office [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org).

## Thanks Be to God

- Rev. Bob Dekker for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily [HERE](#)
- Stewardship Committee for hosting our recent dinners; Lauren Hendrickson for making dinner arrangements

*Happy Anniversary*

Mark & Carrie Keys August 29



Conner Wilson	August 26
Mikaila Blake	August 28
Teresa Pierce	August 28

### Church Budget Through End of July:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$102,765	\$103,351
Expenses	\$93,217	\$102,143
Difference	\$9,548	\$1,208

**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](mailto:admin@hfec.org)