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The Transfiguration of our Lord

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Cathy Scott, Deacon

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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, August 6:

Celebrant: The Rev. Jay Lawlor
Homily: The Rev. Jay Lawlor
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Larry Pickens

Ushers: Joe Schrock, Larry Pickens

Readers: Jeff Merryman, David Emerson, Joan Head,

Bryan Luce

Prayers: Sandra Cline, Joel Bruns

Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Debbie Talbert, Jim Taflinger

Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Ian Johnston, Mikaila Blake, Lexi Burke

Healing: Stephen Canter LEV: Bryan Luce

Almoners: Lauren Hendrickson, Lauren Wilson

AG Sat. Set Up: Greta Wilson AG Bread: Paul Mundie AG Sun. Set Up: Amy Mundie AG Clean Up: Cathy French

Hospitality: Ray

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: Kate Chillemi

10 AM Childcare: Closed for the summer



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 Second Reading 2 Peter 1:13-21 Gospel Luke 9:28-36

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 <u>HERE</u>.

Stewardship Sunday: Please join us for one special service at 9 AM on Sunday, August 27th. We will gather our entire parish family to worship and thank God for His many blessings. In response to God's bountiful gifts, we will offer and bless our 2018 financial commitments to Holy Family. Immediately following the worship service, we'll enjoy 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 You may also follow our updates ONLINE.



Search Praver: 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.



<u>Dinner, Discussion, and Rector Search Update</u>: As we discern Holy Family's future direction and search for a new rector to lead us, you are invited to a special dinner and discussion in the parish hall on: the status of the new rector search, resourcing Holy Family to become a bigger blessing, generosity, and the grace of giving. Sign up <u>online</u> for one of the following dinner dates: Saturday, August 12th from 6:00-8:30 PM or Saturday, August 19th from 6-8:30 PM. We hope to see you there.

Outreach Opportunities

<u>Outreach Focus - Care Package Ministry</u>: Holy Family supports college students and those deployed in the military through our Care Package Ministry. Please use <u>THIS LINK</u> 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. Last year their food pantry served more than 10,000 people. At present the pantry is critically low. 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!

Thanks Be to God

- Rev. John Conners for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily HERE
- Andy and Connor Wilson for donating and installing a playground slide
- Chris Beldin and Ian Johnston for trimming and removing low-hanging branches over the playground
- Congregation members for donation school supplies; Deacon Cathy for delivering them to Miracle Place

Christian Education

<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 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.



Fellowship Gatherings

<u>Game Night</u>: 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!

Youth Group Monthly Dinner Meeting: All Youth Group students (grads 7-12) are invited to this month's gathering on Sunday, August 20th. We'll begin at 5:30 PM with dinner and spend some time on teambuilding activities. Please contact Youth Director Marty Blake to RSVP or for more information. mblake@hfec.org

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.

Other News

Parish Directories: Paper directories are currently available. Please see Cheryl Burke for your copy. Should you find any errors in your entry, please contact the office at admin@hfec.org.

<u>Childcare Volunteers Needed</u>: Please use <u>this link</u> 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 the fall.



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



Emily Hendrickson	August 6
Skip Thomas	August 6
Patti Heater	August 7
Charly Tunison	August 8

Happy Anniversary

Stephen & Susie Beard August 8

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

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