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The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Cathy Scott, Deacon

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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 from 9 AM -2PM

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 TBD

The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday, November 21st.

Serving this Sunday, October 29:

Celebrant: The Rev. Larry Walters
Homily: The Rev. Larry Walters
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Debbie Talbert

Ushers: Andrew Barker, Bob French

Readers: Wade Nichols, Betty Bogeman, Bob Murray,

Joel Bruns

Prayers: David Emerson, Joel Bruns

Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Scott Wilson, Joan Head Acolytes: Bryan Luce, Thomas Canter, Eliza Wilson,

Maci Blake

Healing: Ruth Everett LEV: Ruth Everett

Almoners: Doug Tannas, Lauren Wilson

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

AG Clean Up: Cathy French, Lauren Wilson

Hospitality: Chillemi

9 AM Sunday School

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers/Disciples: Stephen Canter, Bryan Luce

Youth Group: Marty Blake, Susie Beard

Adult Forum: Mere Christianity

Sign up to volunteer as a Sunday school teacher by

clicking **HERE**.

10 AM Childcare

Nursery: Kate Chillemi PreK-1st Grade: Carol Dial



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Gospel Matthew 22:34-46

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

All Souls Remembrance Prayer Service: Please join us at our annual All Souls Remembrance Prayer Service on Thursday, November 2nd at 6 PM. We will follow the tradition of remembering those loved ones that have passed from earth and our sight to live again in the heavenly Kingdom in God's embrace. We invite you to bring framed pictures of your loved ones to place on the altar during the service. Candles will be lit, prayers of love and remembrance will be prayed, scripture will reassure, and hearts will be deeply connected to those we love. If you have questions, please ask Deacon Cathy. cscott@hfec.org





All Saints Readings: We are compiling the names of the dearly departed to be read during the All Saints services on Sunday, November 5th. Please add names to the list in the Narthex or email them to the church office by October 29th, so they may be typed up for readers. admin@hfec.org

ALL SAINTS DAY Prayer Group: The next gathering of our prayer group will be Monday, November 6th 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 rector 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.

Christian Education

C.S. Lewis "Mere Christianity" Adult Forum: In "Mere Christianity" Lewis delivers a powerful, rational case for the Christian faith, focusing on the core doctrines that all Christian traditions accept, including the reality of moral law, human sinfulness, the nature and work of Christ, Christian ethics, and the doctrine of the Trinity. This study will enhance your understanding of basic Christian teachings and give you greater confidence to discuss your faith with others. Join us each Sunday from Sept. 24th-Nov. 12th at 9:00-9:50 AM in the Parish Hall. Participants may purchase their own paperback copies of "Mere Christianity" for less than \$10 from leading booksellers, including Christianbook.com and Amazon.com. Click HERE for the presentation schedule.

<u>Men's Retreat</u>: All men of the church are invited to a spiritual retreat held at Fort Harrison on Friday evening, November 3rd through 12 Noon on Saturday, November 4th. Information is available by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Register by clicking <u>HERE</u>.





<u>Gospel at Hogwarts</u>: Holy Family extends an invitation to children of all ages to go on a family-friendly adventure of discipleship as we uncover the Gospel at Hogwarts. The adventure will take place on November 11th from 6:00-7:30 PM. Led by House

prefects, guests will use a magical Disciples Map to discover Scripture hidden in the church and classrooms at Holy Family and share their discoveries with all assembled in the Great Hall. Four Hogwarts houses = four Gospels! The evening ends with a celebration of snacks reminiscent of the food found in the movies. **Please**RSVP online by November 5th so we can prepare enough snacks. (Familiarity with the first two Harry Potter books or movies is desirable.) Muggles are welcome!!

Happy Birthday

Evan Wagoner October 29 Jonathan Gosser October 31

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Outreach Opportunities

October Outreach - Disaster Relief: Please give today to the Episcopal Relief and Development Hurricane Relief Fund and help reach vulnerable communities devastated after Hurricane Irma and other major storms. In the face of what could be a record-breaking hurricane season, please make an urgent gift today to provide relief to devastated communities in the Caribbean and the US. Please donate online to the link



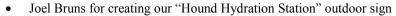
Fellowship Gatherings

Hospitality Hosts: We have returned 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.

Game Night: Join us on Friday, November 10th 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!

Thanks Be to God

- The Reverend Larry Walters for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily HERE
- The following HFEC members for serving at Sunday's funeral: Bethany Paden, Cathy French, and Chris Beldin for hosting hospitality; Doug Tannas and Dee Finkbeiner for providing piano and organ music; Bethany and Ben Paden for singing



Chris Beldin for stain-treating and washing many acolyte albs (robes)



Other News

Childcare Volunteers Needed: All adult volunteers are required to complete online training through the Diocese and must have been active members of the church for at least six months. We are happy to contact you to begin this process once you sign up to volunteer. Please use this link to access the 10 AM Nursery sign-up sheet. Click HERE to sign up to supervise 10 AM Childcare for children in PreK-1st grade.

Meals Ministry: Meals Ministry is looking for volunteers; no cooking experience is necessary. The mission of Meals Ministry is to demonstrate love, mercy, hospitality, compassion, and outreach by providing meals to those from Holy Family that are in need of a meal due to sickness, hospitalization, or other hardship. When a meal is requested, we will notify the group of volunteers for interest in signing up to provide a meal or gift card for a meal. Currently we have 10 members of our ministry, we are always looking for more! For more information or to sign up to donate meals, please contact the church office. admin@hfec.org

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Our crafters will gather in the Narthex at 7 PM on Wednesday, November 1st.

Fall Bazaar: Mark your calendars for this year's Fall Bazaar shopping event from 10 AM - 3 PM on Saturday, November 4th. We'll host a variety of vendors and highlight local artisans and home business owners. We are looking for volunteers to help during the bazaar. Please sign up to volunteer on line HERE or contact the church office. admin@hfec.org

Vestry Applications Now Being Accepted: We are now accepting applications for Vestry for the term beginning in January/February 2018. Each Vestry member serves a three-year term. This is an excellent opportunity to learn the behind-the-scenes details of what it takes to run the church and to be a part of this exciting time of growth and change for our congregation. If you are interested in adding your name to the ballot for voting which will take place at the Annual Meeting in January, please see Lauren Hendrickson, Marty Blake, or Dan Chillemi for more information. You may also contact the church office. admin@hfec.org



Church Budget Through End of September:

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	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$138,168	\$132,881
Expenses	\$121,448	\$132,203
Difference	\$16,720	\$678

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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