

News You Can Use

October 5, 2017

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Church Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday from 9 AM -2PM

Our Staff:

The Rev. Tanya Vonnegut Beck, Transitional Rector
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* TBD

*The next vestry meeting will be held at 7 PM on Tuesday,
October 24th.*

Serving this Sunday, October 8:

Celebrant: The Rev. Tanya Vonnegut Beck
Homily: The Rev. Tanya Vonnegut Beck
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Judi Taflinger
Ushers: Larry Pickens, Joe Schrock
Readers: Wade Nichols, Betty Bogeman, Joan Head,
Chris Brown
Prayers: Sandra Cline, Joel Bruns
Chalice: David Emerson, Jim Taflinger, Debbie Talbert
Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Bryan Luce, Lexi Burke, Sophia Paden
Healing: Nancy Thomas, Stephen Canter
LEV: Bryan Luce
Almoners: Fred Stahly, Lauren Hendrickson
AG Sat. Set Up: Kris Brown
AG Bread: Chris Brown
AG Sun. Set Up: Amy Mundie
AG Clean Up: Kris Brown, Greta Wilson
Hospitality: Fishe

9 AM Sunday School

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers/Disciples: Bryan Luce

Youth Group: Susie Beard

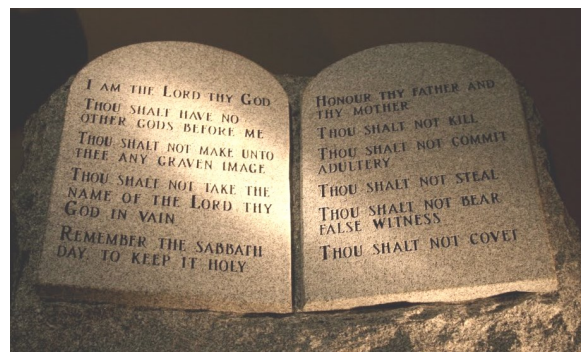
Adult Forum: [Mere Christianity](#)

*Sign up to volunteer as a Sunday school teacher by
clicking [HERE](#).*

10 AM Childcare

Nursery: Lauren Hendrickson

PreK-1st Grade: Teresa Conroy-Roth



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 **Psalms** 19 **Second Reading** Philippians 3:4b-14 **Gospel** Matthew 21:33-46

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

Alec Halstead Visitation: [Alec Johnston "A.J." Halstead](#), age 23, of Fishers, passed away on September 29, 2017. He was born in Grand Rapids, MI, to Michael P. and Shelly Ann Halstead. A.J. was a 2012 graduate of Fishers High School. He was employed with Wellman Exteriors and was a member of Holy Family Episcopal Church. A Memorial Visitation will be held Thursday, October 5th, 2017 from 2:00 - 5:00 PM at Holy Family. Memorial donations can be made to the Hoosier Outdoor Heritage Program, Indiana Department of Natural Resources via [THIS LINK](#). Please write A.J.'s name in the "In Honor/Memory Of" box.

In Loving Memory

Prayer Group: The next gathering of our prayer group will be Monday, October 16th at 6:15 PM. If you cannot attend, you may submit prayer requests by clicking [HERE](#).

Altar Flowers: The 2017 sign-up sheet to provide altar flowers is available in the hallway outside of the parish hall. The cost is \$55, and you are able to dedicate your gift in the bulletin. It is a great way to celebrate a birthday or anniversary or just a special remembrance of a date. At the end of the 10 AM service you are invited to take your flowers home. You can pay by check and write "flowers" in the memo line or pay on-line on the HFEC website via the [PayPal](#) option on the [Contact Us](#) page.

Rector Search

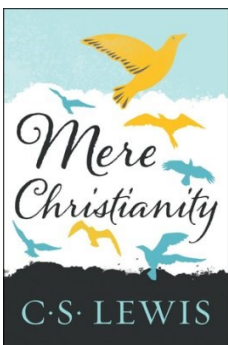
We will make every effort to keep all members of the congregation updated on our progress during our search for a new rector. Currently we are in the rector discernment phase. Questions about the search process may be directed to our Senior Warden Ben Paden: benpaden@hfec.org You may also follow our updates [ONLINE](#).

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



C.S. Lewis "Mere Christianity" Adult Forum: This eight-session video study and discussion explores one of the most influential books on Christianity. 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.

Men's Retreat: Save the date! 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 [HERE](#). Register by clicking [HERE](#).



Gospel at Hogwarts: 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 1st so we can prepare enough snacks. (Familiarity with the first two Harry Potter books or movies is desirable.) Muggles are welcome!!

Outreach Opportunities

Kairos Prison Ministry: Help support Kairos #21 Prison Ministry on October 5th-8th by PRAYING (sign up on the [Prayer Chart](#)) or ATTENDING THE CLOSING CEREMONY from 12:00-3:00 PM on October 8th. Please contact Stephen Canter or the church office for additional information. admin@hfec.org



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 above.*

Working for Justice Together - Community Organizing Training for Episcopalians:

Tuesday, October 10, 2017 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church, Indianapolis. Learn how to have important conversations with others in your parish about pressing social issues and how to engage one another to bring our faith to those concerns and work towards changing systems in our society to work towards a just and beloved community.



Many Episcopalians and parishes are already involved with the work of IndyCAN, an interfaith organizing group, and we want to develop a network of leadership teams in the parishes throughout our dioceses with community organizing skills and interest in bringing their faith into the public realm. We will focus both on how to galvanize your own parish to do this work through small, intentional conversations among parishioners and involvement with the larger IndyCAN network of interfaith congregations.

RSVP by Monday, October 9th to Deacon Cathy at cscott@hfec.org.

Fellowship Gatherings

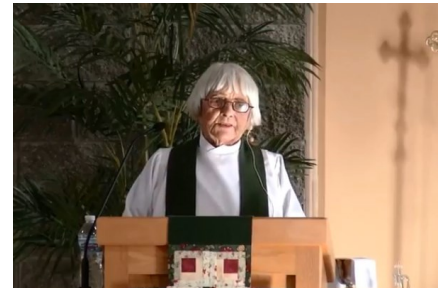


Hospitality Hosts: We have returned to our doughnuts and coffee hospitality time following the 10 AM service each Sunday. Please consider signing up to host this important fellowship ministry by clicking [this link](#).

Game Night: Join us on Friday, October 13th 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 Tanya Beck for celebrating Eucharist with us; view her Homily [HERE](#)
- Stephen Canter, Joe Spangler, and Kelly Cason for providing grilled items and chili for the parish picnic; congregation members for providing side dishes and desserts
- The Reverend Tanya Beck for celebrating our Pet Blessing
- Troop 109 scouts for helping set up the parish hall



Other News



England Cathedral Journey: The Luce Family regularly flies to England to see relatives. Many here at the church have expressed a desire to tour some of the great cathedrals and sites in England. Spring break 2018, the first week of April, the Luce family will be off to England again. Anyone interested in joining for a pilgrimage of sorts, please come to our preliminary interest meeting, Sunday, October 8th at 11:30 AM in the Sanctuary. This will be a 20-30 minute discussion. Please see Bryan Luce for more information.

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 with set up on Friday evening, November 3rd as well as during the bazaar. Please sign up to volunteer on line [HERE](#) or contact the church office. admin@hfec.org



Abigail Wagoner	October 6
Jennifer McGuire	October 7
Ellen Everett	October 8
Larry Pickens	October 8
Mike Schrock	October 8
Brad Beldin	October 9
Josh Mundie	October 11

Happy Anniversary

Jonathan & Linda Gosser October 7th

Church Budget Through End of August:

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$114,684	\$118,116
Expenses	\$105,715	\$117,881
Difference	\$8,969	\$235

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