

News You Can Use

November 9, 2017

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

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* TBD

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

Serving this Sunday, November 12:

Celebrant: The Rev. Larry Walters
Homily: The Rev. Larry Walters
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Joe Spangler
Ushers: Scott Higgins, Troy Everett
Readers: David Emerson, Sandra Cline, Barb Spangler,
Bob Murray
Prayers: Wade Nichols, Joan Head
Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Jim Taflinger, Debbie Talbert
Acolytes: Bryan Luce, Ian Johnston, Maci Blake, Noah Tannas
Healing: Wade Nichols, Ruth Everett
LEV: Ruth Everett
Almoners: Lauren Wilson, Doug Tannas
AG Sat. Set Up: Kris Brown
AG Bread: Chris Brown
AG Sun. Set Up: Amy Mundie
AG Clean Up: Kris Brown, Cathy French
Hospitality: Assistance Requested

9 AM Sunday School

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers/Disciples: Stephen Canter, Lee Cahalan

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: Teresa Conroy-Roth

PreK-1st Grade: TBD



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 **Psalm 78:1-7** **Second Reading** 1Thessalonians 4:13-18 **Gospel** Matthew 25:1-13

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, November 20th at 6:15 PM. If you cannot attend, you may submit prayer requests by clicking [HERE](#).

Worship Service Time Change: Due to Christmas Eve falling on a Sunday this year, our final Advent service will be held at 5 PM on Saturday evening, December 23rd. There will be **NO SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES** on December 24th. We will hold Christmas Eve services at 5 PM and 11 PM. Please invite your family and friends!



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

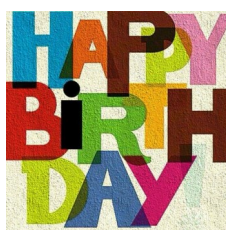
C.S. Lewis "Mere Christianity" Adult Forum: In "Mere Christianity" Lewis delivers a powerful, rational case for the Christian faith, focusing on the core doctrines that all Christian traditions accept, including the reality of moral law, human sinfulness, the nature and work of Christ, Christian ethics, and the doctrine of the Trinity. Join us this at 9 AM Sunday, November 12th, for our final session.

Gospel at Hogwarts: The adventure will take place this Saturday, November 11th from 6:00-7:30 PM. If you have Hogwarts apparel or a themed costume, you are invited to wear it. You are also encouraged to bring a wand if you own one. See you there!



Thanks Be to God

- The Reverend Larry Walters for celebrating Eucharist with us; view his homily [HERE](#)
- Ben Paden for repairing the video feed to our Nursery and Godly Play classroom
- Fall Bazaar volunteers: Amy and Paul Mundie, Judy Taflinger, Evelyn Johnson; Cheryl Burke and Jolene Johnston for coordinating the event
- Joe Spangler, Bryan Luce, and Scott Wilson for coordinating the Men's Retreat; The Reverend Frank Impicicche for facilitating the retreat



Happy Birthday

Betty Bogeman November 9

Outreach Opportunities

November Outreach: **November is Thanksgiving Basket Month.** Our food donations support families identified by the Delaware Township Trustee's Office. The sign-up sheet for food donations is available [ONLINE](#). Please sign up for the items you wish to provide and return them to church by Sunday, November 19th. Please contact Jolene Johnston for more information. jjohnston@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, 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!



Greening of the Church: On Sunday, December 17th at 4 PM we will hold our annual greening of the church. Please come, one and all, to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. Children are welcome to attend and are expected to remain with their parents and help decorate. **There is no childcare provided for this event.** Following the decorating, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will host its annual spaghetti dinner as a thank you for your hard work.

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

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



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

Youth Group Wreath Sales: Please visit www.MickmanHolidayGifts.com and shop through the links on the top of the page for holiday wreaths, sprays, centerpieces, & table-top Christmas trees. As you check out, be sure to use the coupon code **HOLYFAIN001**. You'll save \$3 per item, and the Youth Group will earn \$5! Shipping is free on orders over \$60. Orders are due by December 5th (earlier, depending on supply – so order early) to guarantee delivery before Christmas and will come right to your door. Thank you for supporting the Youth Group!

Church Budget Through End of October:

| | Actual | Budgeted |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Income | \$151,865 | \$147,645 |
| Expenses | \$134,725 | \$146,525 |
| Difference | \$17,140 | \$1,120 |

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