

News You Can Use

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2018

Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Bruce Gray, Rector
The Rev. Cathy Scott, Deacon
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 -2 PM

The Vestry:

Senior Warden Ben Paden, Junior Warden Debbie Talbert;
Treasurer Betty Bogeman; Ian Johnston (youth), Fred Stahly, Susie
Beard, Doug Tannas, Lauren Wilson, Lee Cahalan, Hillary Blake,
Chris Brown, Ruth Everett; Clerk TBD

The next vestry meeting will be held on April 17th.

Serving this Sunday, April 15th:

Celebrant: The Rev. Bruce Gray
Homily: The Rev. Bruce Gray
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Greeter: Scott Wilson
Ushers: Marcus Dial, Brad Daniells
Readers: Betty Bogeman, Jeff Merryman,
Bob Murray, Greta Wilson
Prayers: David Emerson, Chris Brown
Chalice: Sandra Cline, Jim Taflinger, Joan Head
Acolytes: Bryan Luce, Jenny Luce,
Matthew Johnston, Sarah Beard
Healing: Nancy Thomas
LEV: Ruth Everett, Nancy Thomas
Almoners: Susie Beard, Chris Brown
AG Sat. Set Up: Carol Bruns, Lauren Wilson
AG Bread: Lauren Wilson
AG Set Sun: Amy Mundie
AG Clean Up: Carol Bruns, Lauren Wilson
Hospitality: Cahalan

9 AM Sunday School

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers/Disciples: Jolene Johnston

Youth Group: Marty Blake, Ruth Everett

Adult Forum: Grill Bruce Gray Q & A

Sign up to volunteer [HERE](#).

10 AM Childcare

Nursery: Teresa Conroy-Roth

PreK-1st grade: Carol Dial



Sunday's readings:

First Reading Acts 3:12-19 Psalms 4 Second Reading 1 John 3:1-7 Gospel Luke 24:36b-48

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 held at 6:15 PM on Monday, April 16th in the sanctuary. Submit prayer requests [online](#) if you are not able to attend.

Blessing of Plants and Seeds: In celebration of Earth Day, we will hold a special blessing of plants and seeds at 11 AM on Sunday, April 22nd, Earth Day. Weather permitting, we will process to the community garden and bless the plots there as well as any seeds and plants brought by gardeners. In case of inclement weather, we will hold the blessing in the sanctuary.



Celebration of New Ministry: Please join Holy Family to celebrate the installation of The Reverend Bruce W. Gray as Rector of Holy Family Episcopal Church on Thursday, May 24th at 7 PM. This is a very special event and will welcome many Diocesan clergy, family members, and friends to Holy Family. A reception will be held in the parish hall following the installation. Your prayers and presence are warmly requested.

Christian Education



Grill Bruce Gray: On Sunday April 15th, our new rector, Bruce Gray, will be featured during our 9:00 AM Adult Forum session. You can ask Bruce any questions you like, and he will be prepared to offer a brief autobiography as well. Bruce is also available for individual and family visits, in homes, Starbucks, the church, or wherever you would like to meet. He can be contacted at bgray@hfec.org.

Sunday School Teachers Wanted: We need you! Our Sunday school program still has two months left before we break for the summer. Please consider volunteering to teach or assist in one of our classes by signing up [HERE](#). Registration forms are required for children and youth and are available at the welcome desk.

Easter Bible Study: Join Episcopalians around the world who have been studying the Gospel of Luke and Acts of the Apostles during Lent and Easter. Join us for a light supper and a Bible study on Luke and Acts, each Wednesday evening, 6-7 p.m., from April 11th-May 16th in the conference room off the narthex. You can also download a list of daily readings from Luke and Acts [here](#). **Each study stands alone, so you are invited to join in at any time.** For more information, see Deacon Cathy or Bob Murray. cscott@hfec.org

Service Dog Information: Patients with “invisible diseases” such as diabetes and seizure disorders are often aided by the use of service dogs. At Holy Family, service dogs are welcome during worship and at all activities. The best way to help members or visitors with service dogs is to respect their space and right to privacy. Children and adults are encouraged to avoid calling a service dog’s name, petting or touching the dog in any way, whistling, or otherwise trying to get the dog’s attention. These behaviors could distract a service dog from doing his or her work which is usually life-saving. A helpful handout about service dogs is available at the welcome desk.



Travel for Spring Break? Catch up online!

Holy Family Online: Video recordings of Holy Family weekly worship services are available online. If you are travelling out of town or just want to share the #holyvillage with others, connecting with the [Media](#) page of our website is an easy way to do it.

Want to share a thought-provoking sermon with a friend? Want to sing along with a favorite song shared by our choir? Click the word Playlists (shown by the red arrow at right), then select the playlist of your choice: Homilies (sermons), Entire Services, Throwback Thursday, Readings and Gospels, or Music. Then click on any video to watch it in entirety. Sharing these videos is a great way to share Holy Family with family and friends.



Outreach Opportunities

April Outreach - Global Missions: The Global Missions Commission helps connect our diocese to the world. The global missions ministry is focused on mission partnerships with the Diocese of Brasilia, Brazil and the Diocese of Haiti. This mutual relationship includes prayer, education, cross-cultural understanding, advocacy, and human needs support. For more information, contact the [Rev. Jeffrey Bower](#).

Community Garden: There are still a few plots available in the community garden. The fee is just \$10. Gardeners are asked to donate 10% or more of their produce to support a local food pantry. Please see Cheryl in the office or email for more information. admin@hfec.org Check out the garden [Facebook group!](#)

Fellowship Gatherings

Game Night: Join the fun on Friday, April 13th beginning at 6 PM for game night. We'll play board games and card games - fun for the whole family. See you there!

Youth Group Monthly Dinner Meeting: Youth Group students (grades 7-12) are invited to the monthly dinner meeting on April 15th from 5:30-8:00 PM. Please contact Youth Director Marty Blake to RSVP or for more information. mblake@hfec.org



Minute to Win It Women's Social Extravaganza! All women in the church are invited to attend a fun evening of getting-to-know-you activities including a "Minute to Win It" Contest! Come for an hour of chatting, laughing, and growing closer together as sisters in Christ on Friday, April 20th from 7-8 pm. Contact Bethany Paden with questions, bpaden@hfec.org. *Sponsored by the Hannah Chapter of the Daughters of the King.*

Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction: On Saturday, April 28th, Holy Family's Youth Group will hold its annual fundraiser event from 5-8 PM. Members of the congregation are invited to join in the fun by donating a themed basket of items, making a monetary donation, or attending the event. Donated items are due by Sunday, April 22nd. Bring your friends! Contact Jolene Johnston for more information. jjohnston@hfec.org

Newcomer Lunch: If you have started attending Holy Family in the last year or so, you are invited to a newcomer lunch that will take place in the Parish Hall on Sunday, May 6th following the 10 AM service. This will be a small informal lunch with Fr. Bruce, our new rector, as well as the staff and some Vestry members. The goal is for you to be able to get to know some of the parish leaders and to ask any questions you may have about the church and you are very welcome to invite friends or family who may also be interested in learning more about Holy Family. Please RSVP by Wednesday, May 2 by clicking [HERE](#) so that enough food can be prepared.

Softball League Starting: Holy Family is starting a co-ed softball team this spring for people age 16 and older. Games will be played on Sunday afternoons in May and June. The cost to participate in the league is \$30. Please contact Jolene Johnston for more information. jjohnston@hfec.org



Other News



Families First: Faith in Indiana is building a statewide coalition of voters who will support its Families First Policy Agenda in the 2018 primaries and mid-term elections. The agenda includes investing in health care, employment and universal pre-K, and ending mass incarceration, mass deportation, and gun violence. Your voice matters! Join People of Faith to launch a Bold Prophetic Vision for the State of Indiana. Contact Deacon Cathy for more information. cscott@hfec.org

Childcare Volunteers Needed: 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.

Thanks Be to God

- Stephen Hendrickson for making various repairs around the church building



Cole Renckly	April 12
Dave Chapman	April 15
Fiona Waddell	April 18

Happy Anniversary

Chris & Anna Corbit April 13