# **News You Can Use**

# The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Holy Family Episcopal Church

#### Worship and Feast Days

<u>Prayer Group</u>: The next gathering of our prayer group will be held at 6:15 PM on Monday, May 7th in the sanctuary. Submit prayer requests online if you are not able to attend.

<u>Baptism Sunday</u>: There will be baptisms at the 10 AM service on May 13th. Should you wish to be baptized or have your child baptized on either of these dates, please contact the office. <u>admin@hfec.org</u>

<u>Celebration of New Ministry</u>: 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.

<u>Pentecost Celebration</u>: Holy Family will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost on Sunday, May 20th, at both the 8 AM and 10 AM services. This is a festive day in the church - everyone is encouraged to wear red to the celebration.

<u>Summer Music</u>: Summer offertory performance volunteers are needed to provide artistic offertory selections during the summer. Selections can be instrumental, vocal, dance, or even drama! All ages of individuals or groups are encouraged to participate. Selections must be approved in advance, and accompanists can be provided if needed. If interested in volunteering, please contact Bethany Paden. <u>bpaden@hfec.org</u>

## **Outreach Opportunities**



<u>Sudanese Bishop Visit</u>: Bishop Moses Anur Ayom of the Diocese of Athooch in South Sudan, and Rebecca Koryom, President of the Mother's/Women's Union will be visiting Holy Family at 7 PM on Thursday, May 3rd. Bishop Moses and Rebecca, along with members of the Global Missions Committee, will engage all who attend in conversation, a question and answers session, and share light refreshments

Mental Health Initiative: The Fishers Mental Health Initiative stakeholder group will hold its bi-annual meeting to provide updates to the <u>Initiative</u> and hold a discussion with stakeholders. The meeting will take place on May 4th from 8:30 - 10:00 AM at Launch Fishers Theater, 12175 Visionary Way in Fishers. You are invited to join Father Bruce at this meeting – please contact him to RSVP. <u>bgray@hfec.org</u>

May Outreach - Community Garden: A message from our new Community Garden coordinator, Evelyn Johnson: "As a volunteer at Come to Me Food Pantry at Fishers United Methodist, I am especially grateful to our HFEC Community Gardeners for their donations, as produce is a scarce commodity at the pantry. Not only is it important nutritionally to our clients, but very timely. Summer tends to be a time of slow donations (most folks think of us primarily around winter holidays), but need actually increases when kids are on summer break and not getting school lunches. In addition to transporting veggies to the pantry, this year I'm looking forward to taking on some additional roles with the gardeners." Please contact Cheryl in the office or email for more information. <a href="mailto:admin@hfec.org">admin@hfec.org</a> Check out the garden Facebook group!

Indy Pride Parade: Holy Family will be joining the bishop and around a hundred other Episcopalians from around the Diocese to walk in the Indianapolis Pride Parade on the morning of June 9th. There is a sign up document available HERE for getting the latest information and updates. The diocese has also created a Facebook page, The Diocese of Indianapolis Indy Pride Festival, for sharing logistical information. All are welcome to participate!

### Spread the Good News Online!

<u>Holy Family Online</u>: 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 <u>Media</u> page of our website is an easy way to do it.



#### **Christian Formation**

Resources for Daily Prayers: Sometimes the right words are hard to come by...especially when we're seeking to center our lives more deeply into God. That's when we most need the direct connection from heart to hand...a nurtured ability to explore God through movement and visual image. Join Cathy Gray this Sunday for Adult Forum at 9 AM and see what your hand might reveal.

Eastertide Bible Study: Come for a light supper and a Bible study on Luke and Acts each Wednesday evening from



6-7 PM, through May 16th, in the conference room off the narthex. A list of daily readings from Luke and Acts can be found by clicking <a href="here">here</a>. Each study stands alone, so everyone is invited to join in at any time. For more information, contact Deacon Cathy or Bob Murray. <a href="mailto:cscott@hfec.org">cscott@hfec.org</a>

<u>Honoring Teachers and Graduates</u>: During the 10 AM service on Sunday, May 20th, Holy Family will recognize its Sunday school teachers as well as celebrate graduating high school seniors.

### **Social Gatherings**

<u>Game Night</u>: Join the fun on Friday, May 11th beginning at 6 PM for game night. There will be board games and card games - fun for the whole family. Bring a friend!

<u>Youth Group Monthly Dinner Meeting</u>: Youth Group students (grades 7-12) are invited to the monthly dinner meeting on Saturday, May 12th from 8-10:30 PM. *Note that this month's meeting is being held on a Saturday at a later time.* Please contact Youth Director Marty Blake to RSVP or for more information. mblake@hfec.org

Mother's Day Brunch: The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will host a Mother's Day brunch in the parish hall following the 10 AM service on Sunday, May 13th.

<u>Pentecost Picnic</u>: Holy Family will hold a pitch-in picnic beginning at 11:15 AM on Sunday, May 20th. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will grill hamburgers and hot dogs. Everyone is invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Outdoor activities such as kickball, cornhole, and a bounce house are planned. Bring friends!



<u>Softball League Starting</u>: Holy Family is starting a co-ed softball team this spring for people age 16 and older. Female players are especially needed so we can field a team. 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. <u>ijohnston@hfec.org</u>

#### **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. <a href="mailto:cscott@hfec.org">cscott@hfec.org</a>

<u>Childcare Volunteers Needed</u>: Please use <u>this link</u> to access the 10 AM Nursery sign-up sheet. Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up to supervise 10 AM Childcare for children in PreK-1st grade.

Donate Online: You many donate online by clicking HERE.

<u>Fundraising Success</u>: Congratulations to Holy Family's youth program for raising over \$2,000 at the Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction to fund mission trip activities.



#### Happy Birthday

Edison Butt May 3
Jensen Butt May 3
Cathy Scott May 5
Rachel Wilson May 7
Lesley Cahalan May 9



#### Thanks Be to God

- All those who participated in the Youth Group Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction
- Cathy French for coordinating Meal Ministry
- Betty Bogeman for coordinating the flower sale; Evelyn Johnson, Cathy Gray, and Sandra Cline for helping sort flower orders

#### Serving this Sunday, May 6th:

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

Ushers: Andy Barker, Troy Everett

Readers: Glenda Borreo, Sandra Cline, Bryan Luce,

**Bob Murray** 

Prayers: David Emerson

Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Scott Wilson, Joan Head Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Hannah Tannas, Lexi Burke,

**Emily Hendrickson** 

Healing: Stephen Canter LEV: Stephen Canter

Almoners: Susie Beard, Doug Tannas

AG Sat.: Greta Wilson
AG Bread: Evelyn Johnson
AG Sun.: Greta Wilson

AG Clean Up: Greta Wilson, Jenny Barker

Hospitality: Hendrickson

#### 9 AM Sunday School

Volunteer HERE.

Godly Play: Heather Tannas

Believers: Stephen Canter, Bryan Luce Disciples: Jolene Johnston, Lesley Cahalan Youth Group: Marty Blake, Ruth Everett Adult Forum: Resources for Daily Prayers

10 AM Childcare

**Nursery: Kristine Canter** 

PreK-1st grade: Teresa Conroy-Roth



# Sunday's readings:

First Reading Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6 Gospel John 15:9-17

#### **Our Mission**

We bear witness to the Light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus, nourishing people and transforming lives.

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Our Staff:

The Rev. Bruce Gray, 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 **Church Office Hours:** 

Monday-Wednesday from 9 AM -2 PM

The Vestru:

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 May 15th.

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