



Holy Family Episcopal Church

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2020

Welcome to Holy Family's Online Worship!

If you would like more information about Holy Family or otherwise want to communicate with the clergy or office, please email admin@hfec.org. Thank you for being part of the community this worship time! Alleluia Christ is Risen!

References marked BCP are for pages in The Book of Common Prayer.

You are invited to check in on social media.

Entrance Hymn *Hymnal 296*
We Know That Christ is Raised and Dies No More

- 1. We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold; and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!**
- 2. We share by water in his saving death. Reborn we share with him an Easter life as living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!**
- 3. The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life. The Spirit's power shakes the Church of God. Baptized we live with God the Three in One. Alleluia!**
- 4. A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe restored and whole will sing: Alleluia! Amen.**

Greeting and Announcements

The Word of God *BCP 355*
Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

Officiant
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria *Gather 97*
Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

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Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.**
- 2 Incline your ear to me;
make haste to deliver me.**
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the
sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.**
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly
set for me, for you are my tower of strength.**
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me,
O LORD, O God of truth.**
- 15 My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant,
and in your loving-kindness save me."**

The Second Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is

precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner", and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel

John 14:1-14

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily

The Rev. Bruce Gray

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped
and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness
of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People Form VI *BCP 392*
The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
Silence may be kept

For all people in their daily life and work;
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for
those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and
oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of
trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless,
and the needy.**

In our parish cycle of prayer we pray for the Carter,
Chillemi, and Clar families and for those who serve in
our Youth Ministry. We pray for the peace and unity of
the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek
the Truth.**

In our Diocesan Cycle of prayer we pray for the
people and clergy of St. Paul's, Indianapolis. We pray
for Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Jennifer our
Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

Especially remembering those on our prayer list Tim,
Linda, Greg, Tim, Carla, Kristine, Kerry, Lindy,
Laraine, Krista, Kyla, Alma, Betty, Paul, Bob, Dee,
Natalie, Bev, Sue, and Krista, we pray for the special
needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence - the People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
We pray for those expecting babies soon especially
Kylie & Dylan and Diane & Quinn. We pray for those
preparing for Confirmation. We pray in Thanksgiving
for our church community. Even when we are
physically separated, we are one body in prayer.
Please add your own thanksgivings.

Silence - the People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a
place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence - the People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Deacon Let us confess sins against God and our
neighbor.

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Anthem

*The Beard Family
Candle On The Water
Kasha & Hirschhorn*

The congregation prays the Lord's Prayer together.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy
Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on
earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily
bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass against us. And lead
us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the
glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Mother's Day Prayer

The Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made
us his children through the resurrection of his Son our
Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

May God, who through the water of baptism has
raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy
and worthy to be united with Christ forever.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin
into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring
you to your eternal inheritance.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you
for ever. Amen.

Dismissal Hymn

Gather 230

Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

Refrain: *Sing a new song unto the Lord; Let your
song be sung from mountains high. Sing a
new song unto the Lord Singing alleluia*

1. Yahweh's people dance for joy O come before
the Lord And play for him on glad tambourines
And let your trumpet sound

Refrain

2. Rise, O children, from your sleep; Your Savior
now has come He has turned your sorrow to
joy And filled your soul with song

Refrain

3. Glad my soul for I have seen The glory of the
Lord The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be
raised I know my Savior lives

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Announcements:

Welcome to Holy Family! If you would like more
information about Holy Family, please email Fr. Bruce at
bgray@hfec.org or go to the Holy Family Website
HolyFamilyFishers.org.

**You can use your smartphone to scan
this code which opens the Holy Family
website.**



Social Media: Be sure to check in on social media and talk
about today's online worship. Share how you are spending
your worship time and spread the Good News!

Church at Home: Weekly resources for children, youth, and
adults can be found at Faith@Home. Also, see the bottom of
each week's Holy Family newsletter for a printable coloring
sheet that matches the weekly Gospel scripture.

Morning Prayer & Compline – Facebook Watch Parties: The
Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis has set up a page on
Facebook for live videos of Morning Prayer and Compline at
8 AM and 8 PM, respectively. All are welcome to join in on
these Watch Parties through the diocesan page, IndyDio
[Virtual Abbey](http://VirtualAbbey).

Important Information: Holy Family will not be gathering or worshiping in-person during the month of May. Both Bishop Jennifer and the wider Episcopal Church are following this same practice due to safety concerns for worshipers. Since the COVID-19 crisis is so fluid, the clergy members of this diocese are meeting weekly with the bishop via Zoom to discuss what is currently known about this disease and how it affects church life. Consequently, I ask that everyone makes an extra effort to read the weekly newsletter to learn about the latest developments for Holy Family. It is everyone's desire to get back together as soon as possible, but all due caution must be exercised, and parishioners should wait until it is technically safe to do so. May God continue to bless us all. For a longer reflection of what Holy Family is experiencing and what to expect, please watch THIS VIDEO. - Father Bruce+

Graduate Recognition: Celebrate all 2020 graduates (high school, college, and grad school) on May 17th during Sunday worship.

Youth Group Senior Celebration & Games: The next online gathering for members of Youth Group will be held via ZOOM on Sunday, May 17th at 4 PM. Graduating high school seniors will be recognized, and a variety of games will be shared. Please check Remind101 or contact Youth Ministry for the login information.

Licensed Counseling Available for Free: Deacon Cathy is offering free, short-term counseling by telephone for any parishioner who is experiencing depression, anxiety, or just generalized worry about the future or is having difficulty coping with this "new normal." Cathy has over 30 years of counseling experience and is licensed with the State of Indiana. Deacon Cathy cannot prescribe medication, but will be happy to refer you to a local mental health center for follow-up. Feel free to reach out to her at 317-441-8493 to talk.

New Youth Director: Ruth Everett is delighted to step into her new role as Director of Youth Ministry for Holy Family. Though she is no stranger to the church, outside of her other laity roles, she has been a mentor with the youth for the past 10+ years. She also works with the youth in the diocese on the Youth Steering Committee, which helps plan and run youth events, including fall and spring retreats at Waycross. Outside the church, Ruth is a 6th grade math teacher for Hamilton Southeastern Schools and has 28 years of education experience. She would like to thank both Ben & Bethany Paden for their work and direction for the past year as directors. To contact Mrs. Everett about Youth Ministry activities, please email youthministry@hfec.org. View her welcome video [HERE!](#)

COVID-19 Information Webpage: Holy Family has created a new webpage to centralize information about staying connected to church life, receiving current health information, and finding resources for spiritual practices during these difficult times. The page can be found [HERE](#).

Pub Theology: On Wednesday, June 3, at 6:30 PM, Father Bruce will host the next online Pub Theology conversation. Contact [Fr. Bruce](#) for more information.

Online Resource: Fr. Bruce has started a new blog for spiritual resources, especially during this time of social distancing. Holy Family's deacon, Cathy Scott, is also contributing to it and other authors may also do so in the future. The website is www.churchfromadistance.org. Feel free to share it with others, and to offer suggestions or questions that would help make the blog more interesting and helpful. Contact Bruce at bgray@hfec.org.

Sew Many Ways to Help! Area crafters are joining together to sew protective masks and scrub caps for area healthcare providers, food pantry volunteers, and others. For more information on how to help by donating money or supplies or by sewing these items, please click [HERE](#).

Pass the Peace: Record yourself and/or members of your household saying, "The Peace of the Lord be with you....and also with you" on a phone, laptop, or tablet. Email the video files to shortcut@hfec.org for the recordings to be used in an upcoming Holy Family online worship service video on YouTube (HFECVIDEOS). Record in a place where there is good lighting on your face and little or no background noise. Your videos may include any members of your family, including pets.

Love Thy Neighbor: While following recommended social distancing procedures, consider checking in on ill, elderly, or isolated neighbors to make sure they are doing ok.

Personal Prayer: During this difficult time, Deacon Cathy and Father Bruce are available to pray with individuals or families by text or phone. Please reach out by text first (if possible) to set up a time to pray together. The Reverend Bruce W. Gray (317) 363-6412
The Reverend Cathy Scott (317) 441-8493

Giving to Holy Family Online: Even though Holy Family is not gathering in person, the work of ministry continues in a wide range of activities. Bills continue to be paid, and therefore giving by parishioners continues to be crucial. Make a contribution via [this link](#), and The Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis will absorb 100% of the payment processing fee, so every cent you give will go to Holy Family. Other ways to donate are using your online banking, using the giving link on the [parish webpage](#) (which works using PayPal), or mailing a check to the church office. Everyone's support of God's work through Holy Family is needed and very appreciated!

Morning Book Club: The book club will meet via Zoom on Tuesday, May 12th at 2 PM. The current book is *Listening Is An Act Of Love* by Dave Isay. This book is full of inspiring stories of ordinary people, so is very appropriate to this difficult time. An online discussion group has been formed for those who are interested, and may be helpful in forming connections with one another. Please send a request to join the group [HERE](#).

Social Media: Be sure to check in on social media and share your experience with online worship with Holy Family. Share how you are spending your worship time, invite someone new to participate, and send a photo of your household members engaging in worship online to help spread the Good News!

Shortcut to Sunday Podcasts: Holy Family hosts a podcast that focuses on the bible readings for each week. Father Bruce and Ben Paden briefly discuss the assigned scriptures. New episodes are released on Tuesdays in preparation for the following Sunday. The podcasts can be found on iTunes and other podcast sources. Share with your friends!

Mulch Cash & Carry: Looking to freshen up your landscaping in these dreary winter months? Bags of Forrest Fines mulch are now available for just \$5. Please make payment to the church office or online here: holyfamilyfishers.org/donate/ If you prefer, bulk mulch delivery to your home will also be available on April 22 or 23 and May 20 or 21.

Upcoming Events:

Graduate Recognition: May 17 9 AM
Youth Group Senior Celebration: May 17 4 PM
Bishop's Online Visit: May 31 10 AM
Pub Theology: June 3 6:30 PM

In Case of Emergency: Please contact Fr. Bruce at this number 317-363-6412 via voice or text.

Prayer List: Tim, Linda, Greg, Tim, Carla, Kristine, Kerry, Lindy, Laraine, Krista, Kyla, Alma, Betty, Paul, Bob, Dee, Natalie, Bev, Sue, Krista

Serving today:

Officiant: The Rev. Bruce Gray
Homily: The Rev. Bruce Gray
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Readers: Betty Bogeman, Bob Murray
Prayers: Katie Hamon

Thank; Be to God

- Prayer Shawl ministry members for creating handmade shawls for 2020 high school graduates
- Daughters of the King for providing finals care packages for college students
- All readers and volunteers for Holy Family's worship videos
- Ben Paden for producing Holy Family's worship videos
- Local crafters who are sewing masks for healthcare professionals
- Hospital staff and first responders
- IT professionals who are working to increase connectivity
- Those who work in grocery stores, food service, postal services, and delivery

Parish Budget Update: Holy Family relies on the generosity of Sunday worshippers to support the ministries of the church. If possible, please keep up on your pledge so Holy Family can continue to grow in its ministry. The financial information reflects the church financial reports as of April 30, 2020.

	Actual
Income	\$77,682*
Expense	\$75,582
Difference	\$2,100

* Includes \$13,167 received in 2019 for 2020 pledges.

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