



# Holy Family Episcopal Church

The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost  
July 19, 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](mailto: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 291*  
*We Plow the Fields and Scatter*

**1 We plow the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land, but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand; he sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain, the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.**

**Refrain** *All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.*

**2 He only is the Maker of all things near and far; he paints the wayside flower, he lights the evening star; the winds and waves obey him, by him the birds are fed; much more to us, his children, he gives our daily bread.**

**Refrain**

**3 We thank thee, then, O Father, for all things bright and good, the seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food: the gifts we have to offer are what thy love imparts, but chiefly thou desirest our humble thankful hearts.**

**Refrain**

## Greeting and Announcements

**The Word of God** *BCP 355*

*Officiant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*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** *Hymnal S280*

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

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

**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.**

**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, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The First Reading

*Isaiah 44:6-8*

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 86:11-17

**11 Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; knit my heart to you that I may fear your Name.**

**12 I will thank you, O LORD my God, with all my heart, and glorify your Name for evermore.**

**13 For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit.**

**14 The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent men seeks my life; they have not set you before their eyes.**

**15 But you, O LORD, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.**

**16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.**

**17 Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.**

## The Second Reading

*Romans 8:12-25*

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation

waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## The Holy Gospel

*Matthew 13:24-30,36-43*

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

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

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord

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

## Homily

*The Rev. Cathy Scott*

### 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.**

### Prayers of the People

*The Prayers of the People Honoring God in Creation, Forms 1, 2, and 3, accord with the rubrics for the Prayers of the People (BCP pg. 359) and may be used for any celebration of the Eucharist or among the intercessions at the Daily Office.*

*Intercessor:* Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

*Intercessor:* Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the clergy and people of St. Stephen's, New Harmony. In our parish cycle of prayer we pray for Harris, Head, and Higgins families and for those who serve on our Vestry. We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray for those expecting babies soon especially Leslie & Jimmie, Courtney & Shawn, and Anne & Max. We pray in Thanksgiving for our church community. Even when we are physically separated, we are one body in prayer. Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Comforter of all, sustain the people of this congregation and others we hold in our heart who desire or need your presence and help especially Linda, Carla, Barb, Laraine, Al, Phyllis, Monique, Shannon, Barb, Al, Jim, Laura, and Mary.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died.

**Response: God, Giver of life, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the fruitfulness of the earth that nourishes our life and the life of all creatures. Bless those who work in fields and gardens. Bless also our children who, by caring for their plants, also learn how you care for us and all your Creation. Send us seasonable and temperate weather, and grant that the fruits of the earth may be shared justly with all having need of them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*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

*Ethan Everett  
The Garden Song*

*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.**

*Celebrant*

*A prayer for public safety and healthcare workers:*  
God our rock and our refuge: Guard and bless all who work for the well-being and safety of our community. Grant courage, vigilance, and skill to those who rise up by night or by day at our urgent call, that they may

always find your arm mighty to save; through Jesus Christ, who died that all may live. **Amen.**

*A prayer for creation:* Bountiful God, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth. Where we lack love, open our hearts to the world; where we waste, give us discipline to conserve; where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care. May we, with all your creatures, honor and serve you in all things, for you live and reign with Christ, Redeemer of all, and with your Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Blessing

*The Priest will pronounce a final blessing*

## Dismissal Hymn

*Hymnal 400 (v. 1-4)  
All Creatures of Our God and King*

**1 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Bright burning sun with golden beams, pale silver moon that gently gleams,**

*Refrain: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**2 Great rushing winds and breezes soft, you clouds that ride the heavens aloft, O praise him, Alleluia! Fair rising morn, with praise rejoice, stars nightly shining, find a voice,**

*Refrain*

**3 Swift flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear, Alleluia, alleluia! Fire, so intense and fiercely bright, you give to us both warmth and light,**

*Refrain*

**4 Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our way, O praise him, Alleluia! All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show:**

*Refrain*

## 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](mailto:bgray@hfec.org) or go to the Holy Family Website [HolyFamilyFishers.org](http://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!

**Welcome Lorri:** Lorri Batesky is excited to step into her new role as Parish Administrator for Holy Family. Lorri brings over 12 years of management experience to the position. Half of her career was committed to public and private school fundraising initiatives. While the other half was devoted to educator benefits through the National Education Association. Lorri enjoys fitness, gardening, and cooking. Lorri and her husband Rick have a 25-year-old daughter and a ten-year-old son, they reside on the east side of Carmel.

**Sacred Ground - Race and Faith:** The Union of Black Episcopalians will offer the series "Sacred Ground." The series will take place on Wednesdays beginning July 29 through October 7 from 6:30 to 8 PM using the Zoom virtual platform. Sacred Ground is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. Please contact [Deacon Cathy](mailto:DeaconCathy@hfec.org) for more information or to register.

**Youth Group Movie Night:** On Saturday, July 25th, Youth Group students in grades 7-12 are invited to a socially-distanced, outdoor movie night beginning at 8:30 PM at the church. Students will be required to wear masks the entire time unless they are enjoying snacks or drinks that they brought from home (no food sharing). Students should bring their own chairs and will be spaced at least 6 feet apart between households. Please [RSVP to Youth Director Ruth Everett](#) with your movie suggestions by Wednesday, July 22nd.

**Face Masks:** Due to COVID-19, wearing a face mask is required inside the building at Holy Family at all times. Please be advised that the preschool has returned on Monday-Friday from 7 AM – 5 PM. Anyone entering the building is requested to avoid the preschool hallway, bathrooms, parish hall, and kitchen unless your visit specifically requires you enter those areas.

**Book Club:** The book club has chosen its next book, [Magpie Murders](#) by Anthony Horowitz, which will be the topic of discussion at the August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Further details are TBD.

**Tools for School:** Even in the midst of the pandemic, it is time to gather school supplies for children returning to school in August. This year, Lincoln Middle School in Pike Township needs our help. Lincoln has an 86% free or reduced lunch fee program as their children come from families with very limited resources. Lincoln's children will return to school the first week of August. The school's principal, Dr. Joel Munoz, is also in the process to become an Episcopal priest and is very dedicated to serving all God's children. Here are the supplies needed: pencils, paper – lined and spiral notebooks, folders, binders, Kleenex, surface wipes – very important, **NO book bags or backpacks allowed in the schools due to the pandemic.** Since in-person services are not currently being held, your donations can be picked up from your doorstep on July 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. When you have the supplies ready to go, [please email Deacon Cathy at cscott@hfec.org](mailto:cscott@hfec.org) and let her know which day and time is best for you. Thank you so much for helping children do their best in school! It takes a village to raise a child, even a child you do not know!

**Please Send Garden Photos:** Holy Family is in search of photos of flowers, veggies, and other garden items for upcoming worship video slides. You may also send photos of people in your household participating in garden work. Please send these pictures to [Ruth Everett](mailto:RuthEverett@hfec.org).

**Webinar with Bishop Jennifer:** A video recording of the webinar with Bishop Jennifer held in late May is available for those who did not attend online. Please [email Jolene Johnston](mailto:JoleneJohnston@hfec.org) for the webinar link.

**Holy Family Parenting Facebook Group:** As an extension of Christian formation programming, Holy Family has created a parenting Facebook group. This online group is focused on supporting parents, grandparents, and guardians in the Holy Village community and provides a place to ask/answer questions, share ideas, and connect with other families. Please click [HERE](#) to join the conversation.

**Make Every Sunday a Selfie Sunday:** Snap a photo of you (and any members of your household – including pets) participating in online worship or any other activities during social distancing. Send these pictures to [Ruth Everett](mailto:RuthEverett@hfec.org) to be included in Holy Family's weekly worship video.

**Offertory Music:** Offertory performance volunteers are needed to provide sacred artistic offertory selections for online worship. Selections can be instrumental, vocal, dance, or even dramatic! Mixed ensembles are not yet permitted due to social distancing; however, family groups are encouraged! All ages are invited to participate. If interested please contact Bethany Paden at [musicministry@hfec.org](mailto:musicministry@hfec.org).

**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](https://www.facebook.com/indydiocesan).

**Regathering:** With guidelines established by the Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis, Holy Family has created a Regathering Team that will meet regularly to discuss the steps for reopening the church building safely. The team consists of Father Bruce Gray, Deacon Cathy Scott, Dr. Doug Tannas, Dr. Katie Swec, Ruth Everett, Bob Murray, Lorri Batesky, Jolene Johnston, Bethany Paden, and Ben Paden. The team concurred with the Vestry that public worship at Holy Family should only happen when it is safe for the entire parish to regather together. No one wants to exclude anyone due to age or health vulnerabilities. There is no way to predict when conditions will improve enough for Holy Family to reopen, but the Regathering Team is beginning to consider various approaches and strategies for when the congregation can come together again. The team is not simply waiting, but instead, they are preparing and will be meeting every two weeks to both prepare for and facilitate the eventual resumption of in-person worship at Holy Family. Questions about the team or the reopening process may be directed to Father Bruce. [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org)

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

**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](#).

**Online Resource:** Fr. Bruce has started a blog for spiritual resources, especially during this time of social distancing. The website is [www.churchfromadistance.org](http://www.churchfromadistance.org). Contact Bruce at [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org).

**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](mailto: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.

**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

**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!

**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!

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

**Mulch Sale:** Bagged mulch is now on sale to benefit Holy Family and community outreach service projects. Submit payment through your bank, mail or drop off a check in the white mailbox by the church office, or [pay online](#).

#### Upcoming Events:

Youth Group Movie Night: July 25 8:30 PM  
Book Club: August 11, time and location TBD  
Vestry Meeting: August 18 7 PM online

**Prayer List:** Linda, Carla, Barb, Laraine, Al, Phyllis, Monique, Shannon, Barb, Al, Jim, Laura, Mary

#### Serving today:

Officiant: The Rev. Cathy Scott  
Homily: The Rev. Cathy Scott  
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott  
Music Director: Bethany Paden  
Readers: Mary Swec, Maci and Mikaila Blake  
Prayers: Zoe Bruns  
Gardening Prayer for Grownups: Lexi Burke  
Care for the Earth Prayer: Hannah Tannas, Matt Johnston, Josh Wilson, Reid Cahalan, Sarah Beard

#### Thanks Be to God

- All those who work to create the online worship service each week
- Children and youth who participated in this week's online worship
- Those who continue to participate in racial justice demonstrations
- Hospital staff and first responders
- 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 June 30, 2020.

	Actual
Income	\$110,700*
Expense	\$87,036**
Difference	\$23,664

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

*\*\*Payroll Protection loan covered \$27,850 in expenses for May and June.*

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