



Holy Family Episcopal Church

Last Sunday After Pentecost
November 22, 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

H 473

Lift High the Cross

**Lift high the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore
his sacred Name.**

- 1 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.**
- 2 Each new-born servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.**
- 3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.**
- 4 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory.**

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

Gather 86

**Glory to God in the highest, Sing. Glory to God.
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, 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 and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading *Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24*

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 95:1-7a

**1 Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

**2 Let us come before his presence with
thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**3 For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.**

**4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

**5 The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have molded the dry land.**

**6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

**7 For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the
sheep of his hand.**

The Second Reading *Ephesians 1:15-23*

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel *Matthew 25:31-46*

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

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

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my

family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily *The Reverend 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 Form III BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy catholic church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the
Clergy and staff of Grace Church, Muncie. We pray
for the Convention Delegates, the Neighborhoods of
the Diocese, and all those involved in our Annual
Convention.
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the
nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

In our parish cycle of prayer we pray for the Wagoner,
Whelan, and Wilson families and for those who serve
as our Music Ministry. We thank you, Lord, for all the
blessings of this life. We pray for those expecting
babies soon especially Anne & Max. We pray in
Thanksgiving for our church community. Even when
we are physically separated, we are one body in
prayer. Give us grace to do your will in all that we
undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for those affected by domestic violence.
Especially remembering those on our prayer list
David, Linda, Laraine, Al, Cameron, Shannon, Barb,
Laura, Butch, Ed, Darrell, and Mary have compassion
on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into
joy;
**May we also come to share in your heavenly
kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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.

Offertory Anthem H 443 *We Gather Together*

*Come, Holy Spirit, from heaven
shine forth with your glorious light.*

*Come from the four winds, O Spirit,
come breath of God;
disperse the shadows over us,
renew and strengthen your people.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

The Blessing

Dismissal Hymn

H 494
Crown Him with Many Crowns

- 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in this shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

"And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of my hand."
- 2 Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear;
under God's wings your refuge
with faithfulness your shield.
- 3 For to the angels God's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

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!

Online Resource: Fr. Bruce has started a blog for spiritual resources, especially during this time of social distancing. The website is Church From a Distance. Contact Fr. Bruce at bgray@hfec.org.

Personal Prayer: During this difficult time, Deacon Cathy and Father Bruce are available to pray with individuals or families by text, phone, or videochat such as FaceTime, Skype, or Zoom. 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

Thanksgiving Baskets: Thank you to those who agreed to sign up to supply hungry families with a Thanksgiving meal! Deacon Cathy and volunteers will be available at the church at the following times for you to drop off your items: Thursday, 11/19 from 9:30-11:30 AM and Sunday, 11/22 from 11 AM - 1 PM. Simply pull up to the single red door for the office wing, and someone will take your items from your car in a contact-free manner. Email Deacon Cathy at cscott@hfec.org if you are not available on those days and need to make alternate arrangements.

Worship at Holy Family: On November 10th, the Fishers Health Department moved the Community Risk Level to Severe, the worst status. Most of the COVID-19 statistics are record-high levels, and the local hospitals are straining under the load. Consequently Holy Family will not be worshipping in person, and all other in person activities are suspended as well. By doing so, we are following the Fishers Health Department recommendations. Please keep praying for all affected by COVID-19, helping to fulfill those prayers by staying home when possible, and following all handwashing, masking, and distancing recommendations. Please contact Fr. Bruce at bgray@hfec.org if you have any needs, questions, or concerns.

Merry Christmas, Peace Be With You! Members of the clergy, congregation, and Media Ministry have begun plans for a variety of online Christmas worship services. Please consider recording you and the members of your household saying some version of Merry Christmas! and/or Peace be with you! for use in upcoming videos. While we cannot be physically together at this time, greeting others from the #holyvillage can feel like a virtual hug from the congregation. Videos should be taken with your device held sideways (landscape mode) and emailed to youthministry@hfec.org.

Amazon Smile: You can make an impact while you shop for Black Friday deals. Simply shop at [AmazonSmile](#) and money will be donated to Holy Family Episcopal Church, at no cost to you.

Stewardship: Make a Pledge of Financial Support to Holy Family. Holy Family is a congregation that runs on generosity. More than 90% of the funds needed to support our congregation's activities comes from parishioners who make a financial commitment to Holy Family. To help Holy Family become an even bigger blessing in 2021, please prayerfully consider a pledge of financial support. Learn more and submit your pledge online [HERE](#). On Sunday, November 22nd we will gather all pledges, bless them and celebrate this outpouring of generosity at both 8 AM and 10 AM worship services.

Book Club: The next book will be [Where the Crawdads Sing](#) by Delia Owens. There is no December book club meeting. The next virtual gathering will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, January 12th at 2 PM. Questions regarding the book club can be directed to the church office. admin@hfec.org
ID: 82532953961
Password: 988099

Men's Ministry Hosts Nov. 30 Prayer Service. All men and boys of Holy Family are invited to a special prayer service, led by Fr. Bruce, to celebrate the feast day of St. Andrew at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 30. The service will be available only via Zoom (insert Zoom meeting info.). St. Andrew – the patron saint of our men's ministry group, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew – was the apostle best known for his efforts to bring others to Jesus. Not sure what this men's ministry is? To quote St. Andrew: "Come and see."

Angel Tree Ministry: Holy Family has moved its annual Angel Tree Christmas gift ministry to Sign Up Genius. Please click **HERE** to purchase an item that will be given to a student and his/her family members at Fishers Elementary School. *More items will be added as the list is finalized by Fishers Elementary.* Items may be dropped off at church in a contact-free manner on Thursday, 12/10 from 6-8 PM and Sunday, 12/13 from 10 AM - Noon. Please contact Jolene Johnston if you need to make alternate arrangements. jjohnston@hfec.org

AV Ministry - Help Wanted: Together with a grant from the Center for Congregations, Holy Family has procured some additional equipment that will allow worship services to be shared live on Sunday mornings. This will connect remote parishioners and help them feel part of such a wonderful church community. Volunteers are needed to learn how to run the required pieces of equipment. If you are interested in being a part of this tech-savvy and creative group, please contact Ben Paden via the church office admin@hfec.org Let's work together to share God with the world!

Advent Word 2020: During your Advent preparations, spend some time pondering the daily word and find or take a photo that speaks to you. Share your picture and be sure to tag your post with #AdventWordHFEC2020. When you tag your photo with the hashtag, it will be added to a collection of photos that others have shared. Contact Ruth Everett for more information. youthministry@hfec.org

Christian Formation:

Adult Forum: Holy Family's Sunday morning Adult Forum will resume November 29th at 10 AM via Zoom. Fr. Bruce will lead a conversation about Advent and its various meanings, practices, and history. Contact Fr. Bruce at bgray@hfec.org for more information, and all are welcome!

Children's and Youth Ministries: The November/December webpage for Children and Youth Ministries is available now. Please consider offering a resource gift to the Children's Ministry or Youth Group programs via their Amazon.com wish lists. The next Zoom opportunities for children and youth are as follows:

Children's Ministry Zoom: Sunday, November 29 at 11 AM
Youth Group Zoom: November 29 at 1 PM

In Case of Emergency: Please contact Fr. Bruce at this

number 317-363-6412 via voice or text.

Upcoming Events:

- Online Worship: November 22 9 AM
- Thanksgiving Drop Off: November 22 11 AM – 1 PM
- Deacon Cathy's Farewell: November 22
- Children's Ministry Zoom: November 29 11 AM
- Youth Group Zoom: November 29 1 PM
- Stewardship Ingathering: November 29
- Men's Gathering: November 30 7 PM
- Angel Tree Drop Off: December 10 6-8 PM
- Angel Tree Drop Off: December 13 10 AM - Noon
- Book Club Zoom: January 12 2 PM

Prayer List: David, Linda, Laraine, Al, Cameron, Monique, Shannon, Barb, Laura, Mary, Butch, Joe, and Barbara

Serving Sunday:

- Officiant: The Rev. Bruce Gray
- Homily: The Rev. Cathy Scott
- Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
- Music Director: Bethany Paden
- Readers Online: Sandra Cline & Scott Wilson
- Prayers Online: Bob Murray

Thanks Be to God

- For nine years of love, worship, pastoral care, outreach, and leadership from Deacon Cathy - many blessings on your new adventure at St. Matthew's! We will miss you and Joan dearly
- Ben Paden and Ruth Everett who work to create the online worship service each week
- Those who make financial contributions to support the ministry work of Holy Family
- Bob Murray for recent building and grounds work

Update from the Treasurer: October was a good month financially for Holy Family, we were able to replenish our savings by \$5491. Thank you to all who contributed. Our pledge and plate income was back on track, although we are still short \$9500 in our savings from where we began the year. If everyone continues to chip in just a little bit more, we ought to be able to meet the challenge of balancing the monthly finances of Holy Family and continue to replenish our savings. If you have any questions or suggestions feel free to contact our treasurer (Bettybogeman@att.net) or any member of the vestry.

October	Income	\$20,704
	Expense	\$15,213
	Difference	+\$5491
YTD	Income	\$169,725
	Expense	\$179,224
	Difference	-9499
	Expense	

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