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The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 9, 2021

Welcome to Holy Family's 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.

The Word of God

Please stand, as you are able.

Entrance Hymn

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Greeting

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

Celebrant

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

Gloria 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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98

**1 Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.**

**2 With his right hand and his holy arm
has he won for himself the victory.**

**3 The Lord has made known his victory;
his righteousness has he openly shown in the
sight of the nations.**

**4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the
house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory
of our God.**

**5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

**6 Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.**

**7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.**

**8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,
the lands and those who dwell therein.**

**9 Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.**

**10 In righteousness shall he judge the world
and the peoples with equity.**

The Second Reading

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

The Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

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

Homily

The Rev. Bruce Gray

Please stand, as you are able.

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 Ross,
Schuleen, and Scott families, and for the mothers in
our church and our community. We pray for those
preparing for confirmation. 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 clergy
and people of St Paul's, Indianapolis. We pray for the
work of the Standing Committee of the diocese. We
pray for Michael, our presiding Bishop; 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—
Steve, Betty, Kevin, Dea, Bill, Matt, Kara, Erin,
Charlie, Phil, Ellen, and Stephanie—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.
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.

Celebrant Let us confess our 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

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem *Open the Eyes of My Heart
Baloche & Lucas*

Please stand, as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B *BCP 367*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death.
We proclaim his resurrection.
We await his coming in glory.**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Celebrant and People

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 Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Invitation

All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion. If you wish only a blessing, please so indicate to the priest by crossing your arms over your chest. A gluten-free option is available for those who need it; simply let the priest know at the time you are to receive the bread.

Communion

After Communion, the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Please stand, as you are able.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

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

I the Lord of Sea and Sky

The Dismissal

Celebrant 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.

Fishers COVID-19 Vaccine: Walk-ins for ages 16+ are now available at the Fishers Mass Vaccination Site (12520 E. 116th Street, Fishers). For faster check in, pre-register at ourshot.in.gov. If you are already vaccinated, please encourage your loved ones to get vaccinated by sharing this information with them.

Graduation Celebration: On Sunday, May 16th, Holy Family will recognize its 2021 high school graduates during the 10 AM service.

Mulch Madness: Bag and bulk mulch is on sale now! Visit holyfamilyfishers.org/mulch to make your selection. Bag mulch is now available for pick up in the church parking lot. Bulk mulch can be delivered on several dates in April or May. Proceeds benefit Children's Ministry and Youth Group activities.

Acolytes Wanted: Now that worship has returned to the sanctuary, Holy Family is in need of a few more youth and adult acolytes to help fill serving roles. Youth who are 8 years old/3rd grade and are able to fully-participate in the worship service are invited to become an acolyte for the 10 AM service. Older youth (13 years old/8th grade) and adults are needed to serve as senior acolyte at both the 8 & 10 AM services. Contact Lorri in the church office for more information and to sign up for the upcoming training opportunity at admin@hfec.org.

Pentecost Outdoor Worship & Picnic: On Saturday, May 22nd Holy Family will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost with worship in the outdoor chapel and a bring-your-own picnic beginning at 5 PM. Households are encouraged to bring camp chairs and food/drinks for yourselves (no food sharing is permitted). All are welcome! Only one worship service will be held at 10 AM the following day, Sunday, May 23rd.

Offertory Music: If you or someone in your family would like to volunteer to provide offertory music from now through the summer, reach out to Bethany Paden at musicministry@hfec.org. At this time, non-wind instrumental performances and other forms of non-vocal offerings are permitted to help limit the spread of COVID-19.

Children's and Youth Ministries: View the updated Spring page for Children's and Youth Ministries curriculum and gatherings at holyfamilyfishers.org/spring2021/. Both groups will follow a rotating schedule of hybrid (in-person and Zoom) and virtual (Zoom only) gatherings.

Children's Ministry Zoom Gathering at tinyurl.com/HFECzoomCM - Sunday, May 9 at 930 AM

Youth Group Zoom Gathering at tinyurl.com/HFECzoomYG - Sunday, May 9 at 9:30 AM

Reading the World Book Club: The next virtual gathering of Holy Family's book club will be held via Zoom at tinyurl.com/HFECbookclub on May 18th at 2 PM. The book is My Brilliant Friend: A Novel (Neapolitan Novels, Book 1) by Elena Ferrante. Please contact the church office for more information. admin@hfec.org

Donating to Holy Family Online: Make contribution via tinyurl.com/HFECdonate and The Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis will absorb 100% of the payment processing fee, so every cent you give will go to Holy Family. Be sure to select Holy Family in the drop-down menu. Everyone's support of God's work through Holy Family is needed and very appreciated.

Invite Welcome Connect: Share your ideas for making Holy Family a more inviting faith community for newcomers by participating in a one-hour session on Wednesday, May 12 beginning at 7 p.m. on Zoom at tinyurl.com/HFECevangelism. Your ideas will help Holy Family adopt a more intentional model for inviting, welcoming and connecting newcomers to the congregation. In preparation for this session, view the video on Invitation at tinyurl.com/HFECinvitevideo and review the Invite checklist at tinyurl.com/HFECinvitechecklist. For more information, contact Fr. Bruce at bgray@hfec.org.

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

Shortcut to Sunday Podcasts: Holy Family has a weekly podcast that focuses on the bible readings for each week. New podcasts will be released on tinyurl.com/HFECpodcast each Tuesday in preparation for the following Sunday.

Prayer List: Eileen, Steve, Betty, Kevin, Dea, Bill, Matt, Kara, Erin, Charlie, Phil, Ellen, and Stephanie

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

Upcoming Events:

Children's Ministry Gathering: May 9 9:30 AM
Youth Group Gathering: May 9 9:30 AM
High School Graduates Celebration: May 16 10 AM
Book Club Zoom: May 18 2 PM
Vestry Meeting: May 18 7 PM
Pentecost Outdoor Worship & Picnic: May 22 5 PM
One Sunday Service Only: May 23 10 AM

Serving Sunday:

Celebrant: The Rev. Bruce Gray
Homily: The Rev. Bruce Gray
Music Director: Bethany Paden
Organist/Pianist: Doug & Heather Tannas
Greeter: Bob Murray
Ushers: Marcus Dial, Bob French
Readers: David Emerson, Wade Nichols
Bob Murray, Joel Bruns
Prayers: Betty Bogeman, Bob Murray
Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Matt Johnston,
Matthew Beard, Sarah Beard
LEV: Kristine Canter
Almoners: Dan Chillemi, Stephen Beard
Welcome: Carol Bruns
Altar Guild: Jenny Barker

Thanks Be to God

- The Brotherhood of St. Andrew men's ministry, for the Mother's Day flowers distributed to the women of the congregation
- Those who contribute financially to support the ministry and worship offerings of Holy Family
- Ben Paden for his continued work with livestreaming Holy Family's worship services
- Flower Market volunteers: Karen and Jeff Smith, Tina Vawter, David Emerson, Sandra Cline, Rita Cripe, Ruth Everett, Jolene Johnston, Cathy and Bruce Gray; Betty Bogeman and Lorri Batesky (organization and flower transportation); Marcus Dial and Dan Chillemi (hanging and removing Flower Market banners around Fishers), Bethany Paden (running the cashier table)

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