



Holy Family Episcopal Church

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 26, 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!

Page/Hymn number references: BCP=red Book of Common Prayer.; Hymnal=blue Hymnal 1982; WLP=dark green Wonder Love and Praise hymnal supplement; Gather=teal hymnal

You are invited to check in on social media.

The Word of God

Please stand, as you are able.

Entrance Hymn *Hymnal 546*
Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve

Greeting

Opening Acclamation *BCP 355*
Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

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

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 *Hymnal S280*
Glorify 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 declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 *Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29*
The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your

bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,' to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.”

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

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

Psalm 19:7-14

**7 The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.**

**8 The statutes of the Lord are just
and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.**

**9 The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for ever;
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.**

**10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey,**

than honey in the comb.

**11 By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.**

**12 Who can tell how often he offends?
cleans me from my secret faults.**

**13 Above all, keep your servant from
presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.**

**14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation
of my
heart be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

The Second Reading

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

Please stand, as you are able.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 628

Help us, O Lord to Learn

The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:38-50

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus

said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with 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 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 all clergy and people of St. Michael's, Noblesville. We pray for all teachers and students;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for healing and strength for the people and leaders of Afghanistan and of Haiti, and 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 Frazier, French, and Gosser families, and for those who serve as our Hamilton County Jail Ministry volunteers. We pray for those expecting babies soon especially Sarah and Ronnie. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Especially remembering those on our prayer list: Susan and David, Angela, Renee, Butch, Linda, Andrew, Eileen, John, Kelsey, Jeremiah, Cathy, Francia and Susan; 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.

Silence

The People may add their own prayers and thanksgivings, aloud or silently.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

The Peace

Please stand as you are able

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

For the Beauty of the Earth
Rutter

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

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 our thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glorify to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By Christ's blood, we are reconciled. By Christ's wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Hymnal S130

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

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Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

And so, Almighty God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now Christ's work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate Christ's death and resurrection, as we await the day of Christ's coming.

Lord God of our holy and righteous fore-bearers; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in Christ's name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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 Christians 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 Hymn

Hymnal 343

Shepherd of Souls Refresh and Bless

After Communion, the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Please stand, as you are able.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To Christ, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal Hymn

Hymnal 336

Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus (v.1,2)

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.



Masks required at Holy Family: Based on CDC guidelines, Holy Family requires masks for everyone during worship and other indoor events, except for those under age 2. Fortunately fully-vaccinated people are at a very low risk of serious COVID illnesses, but Holy Family wants to be considerate of people who cannot be vaccinated due to age or medical conditions. Feel free to contact Fr. Bruce or any other members of the Holy Family Regathering Team if you have any questions. bgray@hfec.org

WORSHIP

Pet Blessing: On Sunday, October 3rd, the 10 AM service will take place at the Outdoor Chapel adjacent to the parking lot. The first part of the service will include a blessing of any pets in attendance, and the second part will be a simplified Holy Eucharist. This service will be very informal and is a great opportunity to invite new people to try Holy Family. All properly-restrained pets are welcome to be blessed in the chapel, and the clergy will be happy to bless them in their cars or trailers instead if that is preferred by their human. In the event of rain, the pet blessing and service will be held in the sanctuary. Holy Family welcomes all creatures great and small!

Choir Has Resumed: Weekly rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings from 7-8 PM. The choir has begun singing again during the 10 AM service. New singers are wanted and welcome! No need to audition or sign up - simply come to rehearsal. Choir is fun and flexible at Holy Family, so please reach out to Bethany if you have any questions! musicministry@hfec.org

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Adult Forum Returns: Adult Forum launched a new series on Episcopal Saints and Racial Justice. The video and discussion sessions will explore how these holy men and women worked to promote racial reconciliation within the church and the in larger society. Join us each Sunday at 9 AM in the Parish Hall. For more information, please see or contact Fr. Bruce at bgray@hfec.org.

Nursery, Children's Ministry, and Youth Group Registration: Click [HERE](#) to access the registration form that should be filled out for each student who will participate in Children's Ministry and Youth Group activities. If you have

more than one child, feel free to write SAME in any areas where you would write duplicate information.

Nursery Volunteers Needed: Holy Family will return to offering nursery care during the 10 AM worship service for children ages three and younger. Volunteers are needed - please sign up at tinyurl.com/NurseryFall21. Questions may be directed to Jolene Johnston. jjohnston@hfec.org. In the event that no volunteers are available, the nursery space will be open for parents to stay with their own children during the service. A livestream video feed is available in the nursery so that you may continue to participate in worship.

Online Resource: Fr. Bruce maintains 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.

OUTREACH

Join Holy Family's Jail Ministry: Join members of Holy Family who minister to inmates at the Hamilton County Jail. The Hamilton County Sheriff's Department Chaplain's Division will hold training for new jail volunteers on Monday, October 18th at 7 PM at the Sheriff's Office at 18100 Cumberland Rd., Noblesville. You must register in advance for the training by email to mark.fidler@hamiltoncounty.in.gov. For more information, please see Stephen Canter, Bob Murray, or Scott Wilson.

Aid for the Peoples of Haiti and Afghanistan: In addition to offering prayers for the people of earthquake-stricken Haiti and war-torn Afghanistan, there are opportunities to provide additional support. Donate to Episcopal Relief and Development's Haiti Fund at tinyurl.com/hfechaitiquake to help the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti and other partners respond to the August 14th earthquake. Episcopal Migration Ministries (tinyurl.com/hfecafghanaid) and Indianapolis-based Exodus Refugee Immigration (tinyurl.com/hfecexodus) are both using donations and volunteer support to help re-settle refugees from Afghanistan.

Food Pantry Donations: Holy Family is once again taking donations for the Delaware Township Food Pantry. Parishioners are invited to bring canned fruits, canned meats, chunky soups, peanut butter and jelly, pastas and pasta sauces, crackers, snacks, household cleaners, laundry detergent, bleach, and personal hygiene items. This list includes suggestions, but any canned or nonperishable item is gratefully received. Donations can be dropped off in the baskets near the coat racks in the Narthex during Sunday worship hours.

Holy Family Financials Through August 31:
Income \$168,618
Expense \$144,700
**Includes \$32,062 in Payroll Protection Loan*

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.

MINISTRY GATHERINGS

Men's Ministry Gathering: The next meeting of Holy Family's Men's Ministry will feature a new discussion series, "Acts to Action," based on Chapter 8 of the Acts of the Apostles, as well as an update on jail/prison ministries. All men of the parish are invited to the gathering on Wednesday, September 15th at 7 PM. The meeting will take place in the outdoor picnic pavilion or in the parish hall, weather dependent. After the meeting, the group will move over to Pure Eatery for continued fellowship. If you're not quite ready to join in person, you can connect via the Zoom link. Contact Father Bruce for more information. bgray@hfec.org.

Reading the World Book Club: The Zoom discussion will be Tuesday, October 12th at 2 PM. The new book will be "Those Who Leave and Those Who Stay" by Elena Ferrante. New participants are always welcome to the book group. Contact the Rev. Cathy Gray for more information. bgray@hfec.org

Represent Holy Family at Diocesan Convention: Holy Family has an opening for one delegate to the annual convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis on Saturday, November 13th from 9 AM to 4 PM. Delegates will elect members of diocesan leadership committees, vote on resolutions and act on the 2022 budget for the diocese, among other business. You must be a member in good standing at Holy Family to serve as a convention delegate. If you are interested, please see or contact Fr. Bruce at bgray@hfec.org.

FELLOWSHIP

Trunk or Treat: Holy Family will hold its annual Trunk or Treat event for children on Friday, October 29th from 6-7:30 PM. Visit tinyurl.com/TrunkorTreatInfo21 for more information. Kids (and grownups!) may dress up and walk safely around the Holy Family parking lot and grounds to visit themed displays (created by parish members and youth group students) while collecting candy and other treats. If you would like to host a themed display, please visit tinyurl.com/TrunkorTreatHFEC21. For more ways that you can support this event, please contact Jolene Johnston jjohnston@hfec.org or Ruth Everett youthministry@hfec.org

Hospitality Returns: Holy Family has returned to providing hospitality time following the 10 AM service. Single-serve snacks and pre-poured lemonade will be available just outside the Narthex doors on days when the weather cooperates.

Please consider taking a turn to volunteer as hospitality host. Contact the church office to learn more. admin@hfec.org

OTHER NEWS

Guest WiFi Network: The guest WiFi network was recently reset and now requires a password. Please use holyfamily as the password (all lowercase letters, no punctuation or spaces).

Fall Bazaar: Registration is open for interested vendors at this year's Fall Bazaar sales event on November 20th from 10 AM - 3 PM. Please register as a vendor at <https://tinyurl.com/HFfallBazaar>. Please contact the coordinators for more information. fallbazaar@hfec.org

Fishers COVID-19 Vaccine: Walk-ins for ages 12+ 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.

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

Prayer List: Susan and David, Angela, Renee, Butch, Linda, Andrew, Eileen, John, Kelsey, Jeremiah, Cathy, Francia and Susan

Upcoming Events:

Choir Rehearsals: Thursdays 7-8 PM
Pet Blessing: October 3 10 AM
Book Club Zoom: October 12 2 PM
Trunk or Treat: October 29 6-7:30 PM
Gospel of Hogwarts: November 6:30-8 PM
Fall Bazaar: November 20 10-3

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: Bob French, Scott Wilson
Readers: Tina Vawter, Wade Nichols, Bob Murray, Greta Wilson
Prayers: Betty Bogeman, Monique Anderson
Acolytes: Joe Spangler, Matthew Beard, Sarah Beard, Alexa Paden
LEV: Kristine Canter
Almoners: Stephen Beard, Marcus Dial
Welcome: Greta Wilson
Altar Guild: Carol Bruns

Thanks Be to God

- 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
- Colleen & Kyle O'Brien for plumbing repairs in the men's bathroom.
- Barb & Joe Spangler for hosting hospitality

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