



# Holy Family Episcopal Church

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 7, 2022

## Welcome!

If you would like more information about Holy Family or otherwise want to communicate with the clergy or office, you can fill out a Guest Information Card and drop it in the offering plate or give it to one of the clergy; cards may be found on clipboards throughout the building. We'll get information to you as soon as possible. Thank you for being part of the community this morning!

References marked BCP are for pages in The Book of Common Prayer (red hardback book); those marked Hymnal refer to hymns in The Hymnal 1982 (blue hardback book); those marked Gather refer to hymns in the songbook Gather (blue paperback book).

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*You are invited to check in on social media.*

## Holy Eucharist – Rite II

### Entrance Hymn

*Hymnal 636  
How Firm a Foundation*

## The Word of God

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

*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** *Gather 86*

**Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

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

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

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

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The First Reading

*Genesis 15:1-6*

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## Psalm 33:12-22

**12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!  
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!**

**13 The Lord looks down from heaven,  
and beholds all the people in the world.**

**14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze on all who dwell on the earth.**

**15 He fashions all the hearts of them and understands all their works.**

**16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.**

**17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; for all its strength it cannot save.**

**18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, on those who wait upon his love,**

**19 To pluck their lives from death, and to feed them in time of famine.**

**20 Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.**

**21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, for in his holy Name we put our trust.**

**22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.**

### **The Second Reading**     *Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16*

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that

they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

### **Sequence Hymn**

*Hymnal 577*

*God is Love and Where True Love Is*

### **The Holy Gospel**

*Luke 12:32-40*

*Priest*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

*Priest*     The Gospel of the Lord

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

### **Homily**

*The Rev. Bruce Gray*

### **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
 and was made man.  
 For our sake he was crucified under  
 Pontius Pilate;  
 he suffered death and was buried.  
 On the third day he rose again  
 in accordance with the Scriptures;  
 he ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory to judge the living  
 and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.  
 We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
 the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
 With the Father and the Son he is worshipped  
 and glorified.  
 He has spoken through the Prophets.  
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic  
 Church.  
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness  
 of sins.  
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
 and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

**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.**

We pray for our bishop Jennifer and all bishops,  
 priests, and deacons. In our Diocesan Cycle of  
 Prayer we pray for the clergy and people of St.  
 Mary's, Martinsville.  
**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 Spangler,  
 Stadler, and Stancato families and for those  
 who serve as our Readers. 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; Roy,  
 Dana, Kristine, Chris, John, Jeanie, Bill, Stephen,  
 Dick, Rikka, Julie, Beth, Katja, Adam, Helen, Phyllis,  
 Linda, Harry, Butch, Bud, Jeff, Kaden, Kolton, Kristin,  
 Barb, Karen, Charlie, Phil, and Renee; 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.*  
 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.**

**Confession of Sin** *BCP 360*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor  
**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.**

*Celebrant*  
 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**

*All stand.*

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

**Announcements  
 The Holy Communion**

**Offertory Hymn** *Hymnal 635*  
*If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee*

**Doxology** *Hymnal 380 (v. 3)*  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**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 him thanks and praise.**

*Then, the Celebrant proceeds*

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

*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Celebrant* 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.

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

*Celebrant* 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 Mary, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us.  
By his wounds, we are healed**

*Celebrant* 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** *Gather 101*

*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.**

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, 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 he 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, he 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 his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Sara, Rebecca, and Leah; 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 his 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.**

**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 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

*Hymnal 316*  
*This is the Hour of Banquet and of Song*

### Post-communion Prayer

**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

### Dismissal Hymn

*Hymnal 61*  
*Sleepers Wake! (v. 1, 3)*

### The Dismissal

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*All are welcome to hospitality and fellowship in the Parish Hall.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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.



## WORSHIP

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Lunch and Learn Altar Guild Opportunity: Ever wondered EXACTLY what goes on before worship each week? Come find out on August 20th at 11 AM. Former guild members, Greta and Lauren Wilson, will unravel the mystery of altar guild. To prepare the table for Sunday's Holy

Communion is a central act of worship. Whether you have a desire to become a part of the guild or are simply interested in knowing more about what happens behind the scenes, you are most welcome. Please email Lorri at [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org) to advise of your attendance for an accurate lunch count. Many hands make lighter work for all.

## MINISTRY GATHERINGS

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Reading the World Book Club: There will be no meeting in August but will return in September. Contact Fr. Bruce Gray for more information. [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org)

Fr. Bruce Continues to be Available For Visitations: Whether there is a particular crisis, another need, or if you would simply like a one-on-one conversation with Fr. Bruce, please contact him on his cell (317-363-6412) or email ([bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org)) and he will respond ASAP. He visits people in their hospital rooms, homes, coffee houses, Holy Family, and miscellaneous other locations. One of a priest's greatest joys is getting to know each parishioner.

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

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Sunday School Summer Break: Sunday school classes for all ages, including adults, will take a break for the summer and will resume on September 18th.

Movies With a Social Conscience: Join Holy Family for a monthly activity that focuses on movies with strong social justice themes. View the month's designated movie on your own and then come together with others from Holy Family for a one-hour discussion of the themes and topics raised by the film. The July movie is "Red Tails," (rated PG-13, run time 2:05) which is available from many streaming services. Participants will discuss the movie via Zoom on Wednesday, August 31st from 7-8 PM. For more information, contact Fr. Bruce by email at [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org).

## OUTREACH

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Training for Hamilton County Jail Ministry: You are invited to join Holy Family parishioners who minister to men and women incarcerated in the Hamilton County Jail. Become an Alpha volunteer and share the basics of the Christian faith as well as your own faith experiences with inmates who need to see the light and feel the love of Jesus. Training for new volunteers is scheduled for Monday, August 8th at 7 PM at the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, 18100 Cumberland Rd., Noblesville. For more information, contact Stephen Canter, Bob Murray, or Scott Wilson via the church office.

Support a Teacher Resumes: Think back to when you were a kid. Can you remember a teacher who you loved and who believed in you? Maybe even changed your life? Holy Family Support a Teacher (SAT for short) will be having its first meeting of the 2022-2023 year Sunday, August 14th

immediately following the 10 AM service. If you are interested in showing love to local teachers and support students right in our backyard, come find out how this Holy Family ministry benefits Fishers Elementary. Questions? See Susie Beard or Cathy Gray or contact Lorri in the office. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)

**Care Package Ministry:** Holy Family supports college students and those deployed in the military through a Care Package Ministry. Please use [tinyurl.com/HFECcare22](https://tinyurl.com/HFECcare22) to submit mailing information to participate in this year's program. Monetary donations toward the cost of supplies and postage are appreciated - please write "Care Package Ministry" in the memo line of your check or electronic deposit.

## FELLOWSHIP

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**Hospitality:** Holy Family provides Hospitality time following the 10 AM service. Single-serve snacks, coffee, cocoa, and lemonade will be available. Please consider taking a turn to volunteer as hospitality host. Contact the church office to learn more. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)

## OTHER NEWS

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**Task for Parish Land Use meeting:** The Parish Land Use Task Force will meet this Sunday, August 7 at 9:00 AM in the Library/Conference Room to discuss the Land Use plan that will be presented to the congregation on August 14. Contact Fr. Bruce for more information. [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org).

**Parish Land Use Plan Presentation:** On Sunday August 14th between the two services the Holy Family Land Use plan will be presented in the parish hall. It focuses on three areas for potential future parish needs, reflections on how the Fishers community currently uses the property, and what the parish's future land priorities should be. There will also be information on a potential development plan for a portion of the grounds that could benefit Holy Family for years to come. All are welcome to this 9:00 am gathering. Contact Fr. Bruce for more information. [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org).

**Annual Giving:** All of the parish income is given by parishioners, so the possibilities for ministries in 2022 are completely up to everyone to support. All the materials are also [available online](#). Please prayerfully-consider making a financial pledge to support the ministry work of Holy Family.

**Donating to Holy Family Online:** Make contribution via [tinyurl.com/HFECdonate](https://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.

### Holy Family Financials Through June 30th

Income \$97,574  
Expenses \$113,242  
Shortfall -\$15,668

**Planned Giving:** Our Book of Common Prayer (page 445) urges all adult Episcopalians – especially parents – to make a will and to leave bequests for religious uses. If you are making or updating your will, please consider a bequest to support the ministries of Holy Family.

**Prayer List:** Roy, Dana, Kristine, Chris, John, Jeanie, Bill, Stephen, Dick, Rikka, Julie, Beth, Katja, Adam, Helen, Phyllis, Linda, Harry, Butch, Bud, Jeff, Kaden, Kolton, Kristin, Barb, Charlie, Phil, and Renee

### Thanks Be to God

- Those who contribute financially to support the ministry and worship offerings of Holy Family
- Ben and Bethany Paden, Sharon and Fred Naatz for their continued work with livestreaming Holy Family's worship services

### Serving Sunday:

Celebrant: The Rev. Bruce Gray  
Homily: The Rev. Bruce Gray  
Music Director: Bethany Paden  
Organist/Pianist: Doug & Heather Tannas  
Greeter: Larry Pickens  
Ushers: Marcus Dial, Gary Snyder  
Readers: Bev Dye, Betty Bogeman, Scott Wilson, Sharon Naatz  
Prayers: David Emerson, Bob Murray  
Acolytes: Ellie Tannas, Reid Cahalan, Sophia Paden  
Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Ruth Everett, Barb Spangler  
LEV: Kristine Canter  
Bread: Joel Bruns  
Almoners: Bob Murray, Stephen Beard  
Welcome: Carol Bruns  
AG: Carol Bruns

### Upcoming Events:

Task for Parish Land Use meeting: Sunday August 7 9 AM  
Jail Ministry Training: August 8th 7 PM, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office  
Parish Land Use Plan Presentation: August 14th 9:00 AM  
Altar Guild Lunch and Learn: August 20<sup>TH</sup> 11 AM  
Choir Returns to 10 AM Worship: August 21st  
Book Club Zoom: No August Meeting  
Red Tails Online Movie Discussion: August 31<sup>st</sup> 7PM zoom  
Choir Luncheon: September 11th 11:30 AM  
Sunday School Resumes: September 18th 9 AM

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