



# Holy Family Episcopal Church

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 17, 2023

## 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 sanctuary or at [www.holyfamilyfishers.org/welcome](http://www.holyfamilyfishers.org/welcome). 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 H or S refer to hymns in The Hymnal 1982 (blue hardback book); those marked G refer to hymns in the songbook Gather (teal paper- or hardback book); and those marked WLP refer to hymns in the songbook Wonder Love and Praise (green paperback book).

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

## Holy Eucharist – Rite II

**Entrance Hymn** *At the Name of Jesus (v. 1,2,3)* **H 435**

## The Word of God

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

*People:* **And blessed be his 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** **S 280**

**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, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The First Reading

*Genesis 50:15-21*

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

## Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13

**1 Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.**

**2 Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits.**

**3 He forgives all your sins  
and heals all your infirmities;**

- 4 He redeems your life from the grave  
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;**
- 5 He satisfies you with good things,  
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.**
- 6 The Lord executes righteousness  
and judgment for all who are oppressed.**
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses  
and his works to the children of Israel.**
- 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,  
slow to anger and of great kindness.**
- 9 He will not always accuse us,  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.**
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins,  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.**
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.**
- 12 As far as the east is from the west,  
so far has he removed our sins from us.**
- 13 As a father cares for his children,  
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.**

### **The Second Reading**

*Romans 14:1-12*

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Sequence Hymn** *Lo! What a Cloud of Witnesses* **H 545**  
(v. 1-3)

### **The Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 18:21-35*

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

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

*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.**

**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 Reed, Renckly, and Ross families, and those who serve as our Youth Ministry. 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. Matthew's, Indianapolis. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, and 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; Abby, Megan, Jim, Tom, Sawyer, Jacob, Dave and Bev, Paul, Eden, Faye, Karen, Ruth, Lisa, Grant, Kathy, Sherrie, Bruce, Jacob, Jean, Cheryl, Julie, Vicki and John, Beth, Cali, Jodie, and Katja; 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. We remember all expecting babies, especially Anne and Max; and Lindsay and Jordan.  
***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.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.  
***Silence may be kept.***

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Priest:* 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.**

### **A Prayer for Holy Family**

**Most loving Father, we give thanks to you for the blessings of our community, our resources, and our talents. Grant us therefore the wisdom to utilize these resources to your glory and for the growth of your church and this community. Guide us especially in discerning the faithful path for the planned use of the land you have blessed us with, and in meeting our financial challenges with faith and determination. Grant us wisdom to do your will and open our hearts and minds to hear your voice. We ask this in the name of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Peace**

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

### **Announcements**

### **The Holy Communion**

**Offertory Anthem**    *Anthem of Fellowship*  
*Althouse*

**Doxology**    **H 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**

**S 130**

*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. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant:* 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,

*Celebrant and People:* **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.

*Celebrant and People:* **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*Celebrant:* 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 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 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 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 Hymn** *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* **H 645**  
(v. 1, 2, 4, 6)

**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**      *Blessed Jesus at Thy Word*      **H 440**

## 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 enjoy hospitality and fellowship in the Parish Hall.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Holy Family! If you would like more information about Holy Family, please email Fr. Bruce at [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org) or go to the Holy Family Website [HolyFamilyFishers.org](http://HolyFamilyFishers.org).



You can use your smartphone to scan this code which opens the Holy Family website.

## NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Adult Forum Discusses Episcopal Church FAQs: Fr. Bruce will lead discussions at 9 AM about some of the Frequently Asked Questions about the Episcopal Church. In addition to what Fr. Bruce brings each week, there will be time for questions brought by the participants. Contact him at [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org). All are welcome!

Sunday School Registration: It's that time again! Please follow this link to register your children and youth for Sunday school and other activities this school year. **Great news!** If you have completed this form in the past, there is a "shortcut" version that skips having to fill out your address, emergency contacts, etc. If that information has not changed. [tinyurl.com/CMYG2023](http://tinyurl.com/CMYG2023)

Blessing of the Animals: On Sunday, October 1st, 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 animals 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. Pets on leashes and in carriers 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, blessing of the animals and service will be held in the sanctuary. Please feel free to bring camp chairs, blankets, or beach towels to make your time in the outdoor chapel more comfortable. Holy Family welcomes all creatures great and small!

Trunk or Treat: Holy Family will hold its annual Trunk or Treat event for children on Friday, October 27th from 6-7:30 PM. Kids (and grownups!) may dress up and walk safely through the parish hall 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 click below. For more ways that you can support this event, please visit [HolyFamilyFishers.org/Halloween](http://HolyFamilyFishers.org/Halloween) or reach out to Jolene Johnston [jjohnston@hfec.org](mailto:jjohnston@hfec.org).

Sign up at: [tinyurl.com/TrunkorTreatInfo23](http://tinyurl.com/TrunkorTreatInfo23)

## WORSHIP

Choir: Calling all Musicians! Choir rehearsals are held every Thursday at 7:00 pm. No auditions required! Simply come to rehearsal and give it a try. All singers aged 12 and older are welcome. Contact Bethany Paden at [musicministry@hfec.org](mailto:musicministry@hfec.org) with any questions. Don't sing but play an instrument? Reach out to Bethany for participation opportunities!

Shortcut to Sunday Podcasts: Holy Family has a weekly podcast that focuses on the Bible readings for each week. New podcasts will be released at: [podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/holy-family-episcopal-chu](https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/holy-family-episcopal-chu) each Tuesday in preparation for the following Sunday.

Acolytes Wanted: An acolyte assists Father Bruce during the worship service by carrying a candle or the cross, gathering up the Offertory collection, and preparing the items used during Communion. Holy Family will hold an acolyte information session and training this fall. If you are an adult or a child aged 7 or older who is interested in learning more about serving Holy Family in this way, please contact Father Bruce or the church office. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org)

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Bible Study: A Bible Study on the book of Matthew is being facilitated by Stephen and Kristine Canter from 9 - 9:45 AM on Sunday mornings in the Conference Room. The material for the bible study will be N. T. Wright for Everyone Bible Study Guides. If you have any questions, please contact Stephen or Kristine Canter via the church office. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org).

## MINISTRY GATHERINGS

Reading the World Book Group: The next meeting of Reading the World book group will be on Wednesday, September 20th at 3 PM. *Please note the time change, in effect for the next several months.* The September book is Barbara Kingsolver's latest work, *Demon Copperhead*. It is a story said to be both terrifying and beautiful, covering the opioid crisis in Appalachia, children living as orphans, the tragedy of the American foster care system, and the almost-magical power of resilience. To join the Zoom meeting please contact Fr. Bruce or Cathy Gray or please visit the book club web page. All are welcome! [bgray@hfec.org](mailto:bgray@hfec.org)

**Music & Meditation:** Music & Meditation is back for its 2nd year with some changes to this exciting program. The gatherings are held at 7 PM on the first Sunday of every month, and each month will have a theme (some themes will span multiple months). Each month, participants will gather and listen to music associated with that theme. Sometimes it will be a full album, and sometimes it will be a more curated list of tracks on the theme. Themes will have a brief essay discussing the theme and the music that is featured. October's Music & Meditation will celebrate the 50th anniversary of hip-hop including a session all about the art of sampling. You are encouraged to bring your own comfy chair, blanket, or bean bag. All are welcome! Questions may be directed to Joel Bruns via the church office. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org).

## **OUTREACH**

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**Care Package Ministry:** Holy Family supports college students and those deployed in the military through a Care Package Ministry. Please use [tinyurl.com/HFECcares2023](http://tinyurl.com/HFECcares2023) to submit mailing information to participate in this year's program. Monetary donations toward the cost of gift cards and postage are appreciated - please write "Care Package Ministry" in the memo line of your check or electronic deposit.

**Missionaries of Charity Donations:** Holy Family is collecting needed items to support women at the Missionaries of Charity shelter in Indianapolis. Items may be placed in the collection box in the Narthex. The following items are requested: twin bed sheets (any color), white washcloths/hand towels/towels, women's underwear (all sizes), summer sleepwear (all sizes), toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap bars, and deodorant.

**Food Pantry Donations:** In support of the Delaware Township Food Pantry, Holy Family parishioners are invited to donate canned goods, household cleaners and personal hygiene items. For a list of items that the food pantry especially needs, visit [tinyurl.com/HFECfoodpantry](http://tinyurl.com/HFECfoodpantry). Donations can be dropped off in the baskets near the coat racks in the church lobby during Sunday worship hours.

## **FELLOWSHIP**

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**Game Night:** The next gathering of Game Night is Friday, October 6th at 7 PM. Feel free to bring games you are interested in playing. Please contact Fred Naatz through the church office for more information at [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org). See you then!

**Women's Self-Care Weekend:** Come enjoy beautiful Waycross Camp and Conference Center in Brown County on Friday, September 22nd - Sunday, September 24th. Connect with women from around the diocese, rest and nurture your mind, body, and spirit. Do your own thing or gather with other book lovers, fiber crafters, artists, hikers, or musicians to connect and share. A massage therapist will lead a self-massage workshop as well as offer individual massage sessions (with additional fee). All who identify as women are invited and

encouraged to attend. Find complete registration information at [tinyurl.com/indydioSELCARE2023](http://tinyurl.com/indydioSELCARE2023).

**Hospitality Hosts Wanted:** Following the 10 AM service each week, you are invited to gather in the parish hall for refreshments and fellowship. Hospitality hosts are needed to lead this important ministry! Holy Family provides paper goods and coffee. Hospitality hosts are responsible for providing/serving snacks and cold drinks, making and serving coffee, and cleaning up. Questions about hospitality hosts may be directed to the church office. [admin@hfec.org](mailto:admin@hfec.org).

## **OTHER NEWS**

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**Your Generosity Powers Holy Family:** There is still time to make a pledge of financial support to Holy Family for 2023. You may pick up a pledge packet from the Welcome Desk in the church lobby, complete a pledge card found in the chair racks in the sanctuary, or make your pledge on the website online here: [holymfamilyfishers.org/generositypower/](http://holymfamilyfishers.org/generositypower/).

Financial commitments from parishioners like you provide approximately 90 percent of the income that supports Holy Family's mission and ministries. So far, 47 families have pledged a total of \$187,415 to Holy Family for 2023.

### Holy Family Financials Through July 31st

Income \$129,695

Expenses \$126,645

**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 better know each parishioner. Father Bruce is also in the church office most Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 AM - Noon.

### Thanks Be to God

- Those who contribute financially to support the ministry and worship offerings of Holy Family
- Ben Paden, Sharon and Fred Naatz for their continued work with livestreaming Holy Family's worship services
- All those who hosted booths at, provided refreshments for, and attended Holy Family's Ministry Fair

### Upcoming Events:

Book Club: September 20<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM via Zoom

Diocesan Women's Self Care Weekend: September 22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>

Mission Trip Presentation: September 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM

Blessing of the Animals: October 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM

Music & Meditation: October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM

Game Night: October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM

Trunk or Treat: October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 PM

*This week's altar flowers are given in celebration of Larry & Jackie Pickens 2<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary.*

Serving Sunday:

Celebrant: Rev. Bruce Gray

Homily: Rev. Bruce Gray

Music Director: Bethany Paden

Piano/Organ: Heather and Doug Tannas

Greeter: Judi Taflinger

Ushers: Larry Pickens, Bob French

Readers: Betty Bogeman, Wade Nichols, Katie Hamon,  
Sharon Naatz

Prayers: Kay Mulhall, David Diaz

Acolytes: Matthew Beard, Evelyn Asmus, Isabella Asmus

Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Marty Blake, Barb Spangler

LEV: Stephen Canter

Bread: Jackie Pickens

Almoners: Katie Hamon, Jessica Largent

Welcome: Gary Snyder

Altar Guild: Jeff & Karen Smith

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