



Holy Family Episcopal Church

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 7, 2024

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).

Holy Eucharist – Rite II

Entrance Hymn *Open Your Ears, O Faithful People* H 536 **The Collect of the Day**

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 **S 280**

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

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

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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

Ezekiel 2:1-5

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 123

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes,
to you enthroned in the heavens.**
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their
masters,
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,**
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God,
until he show us his mercy.**
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,
for we have had more than enough of contempt,**
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,
and of the derision of the proud.**

The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn *Help Us, O Lord to Learn* *H 628*

The Holy Gospel

Mark 6:1-13

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

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

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are

not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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
The Leader and People pray responsively

BCP 392

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 Beard, Beldin,
and Berry families and those who serve as our Mission Trip
Participants. 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. Andrew's, Greencastle. 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; Pam, Ruth,
Monique, Wade, Barb, Cathy, Victoria and Isaiah, Bob, Joe,
Kathy, Karen, Chris, Abby, Larry and Jean, Eden, Betsy,
Honey, Janet, Amanda, Elizabeth, Beth, Sawyer, Bernhard
and Katja, Norma and William; 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, Graycen and
William, Emma and Jeff.

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 For the Right Use of God's Gifts.

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we
possess at Holy Family: Grant us grace that we may honor
you with our lives, and, may be faithful stewards of your
bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

Mission Trip Blessing

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 *Heal Me Hands of Jesus* WLP 773

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

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 *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* WLP 812

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

Lord, You Give the Great Commission (v. 1,2,3) WLP 780

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 or go to the Holy Family Website HolyFamilyFishers.org.

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



NEW & NOTEWORTHY

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, bishop of the Episcopal Dioceses of Northwestern Pennsylvania and Western New York, was elected and confirmed the 28th presiding bishop and primate of The Episcopal Church on June 26 for a nine-year term beginning November 1st. Rowe was chosen from among five nominees on the first ballot. Following his election by the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies confirmed the election.

Exciting News from the Vestry: The Vestry met with the real estate developer purchasing just over 3 acres of church property last Wednesday. They expect to have a finalized site plan to share with the congregation around September and

hope to close the transaction by November, pending city and government approvals. The developer anticipates the project to take an estimated 30 months to complete from breaking ground to completion. Construction will start as soon as closing is held in November. Construction starting creates the opportunity to start working on any new or replacement outdoor projects like moving the community garden and re-establishing the outdoor worship space. Copies of the Mutual Ministry Review summary are available at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex. Please talk to any Vestry member for more insight into what the MMR entailed.

TWO VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHTS: 1) The Building and Grounds Committee needs a leader (or two leaders!) as well as committee members to help maintain the inside and outside of our property. This vital committee has been vacant for a year and needs revamped and restarted. 2) Boy Scout Troop 199, chartered by Holy Family, needs a new Charter Organization Representative from Holy Family. Stephen Beard has faithfully filled this role for three years and stands ready to teach and train whomever takes on the role. Please reach out to Father Bruce or the Wardens if you have any interest in either opportunity! bgray@hfec.org
- submitted by Bethany Paden, Junior Warden

Mission Trip Blessing: Father Bruce will bless and commission the members of Holy Family's 2024 Mission Trip team to Philadelphia this Sunday, July 7th at 10 AM. Please pray for all participants during their week of service.

Nickel Row Development Project: As you likely know, HFEC is rapidly approaching the closing of the sale of the land and the impending partnership with Onyx & East Developers on the project. As a significant investor in the project, HFEC parishioners are being offered an opportunity to invest in the project under identical terms being offered to HFEC. It is important to note that there is a \$50,000 minimum investment and that investors must certify that they qualify as an "accredited investor" meeting certain net worth and income requirements. The deadline to commit and provide funds is July 11th. Please also note that in no way is HFEC nor any affiliate of HFEC expressing any endorsement or recommendation of this investment. Should you want additional information or investment offering documents please contact Scott Wilson via the church office. admin@hfec.org

WORSHIP

NEW DATE! Music & Meditation Summer Offertory: Join Holy Family on July 21st when the offertory music during the 10 AM service will feature past and future selections from the Music & Meditation Ministry hosted by Joel Bruns. Questions can be directed to Joel via the church office. admin@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 at:

podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/holy-family-episcopal-chu each Tuesday in preparation for the following Sunday.

Prayer Group Meeting: Holy Family Prayer Group meets from 6:30 – 7 PM on the second Monday of the month. The next gathering is July 8th. All are welcome to come and join in prayer. Contact Kristine Canter or the church office for more information. admin@hfec.org

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Sunday School on Break: Sunday school classes for PreK-12th grade will take a break for the summer and will resume in September. Holy Family welcomes and encourages parents and other members of the congregation to assist or teach in classrooms for kids. Training and materials are provided. Please contact the program directors for more information. Jolene Johnston, PreK-6th grade jjohnston@hfec.org OR Ruth Everett, 7-12th grades youthministry@hfec.org

Adult Forum and Bible Study: Adult Forum and Bible Study are also on break until the fall. Please contact Father Bruce with questions about Adult Forum (bgray@hfec.org) or Stephen Canter about Bible Study (via the church office, admin@hfec.org).

OUTREACH

Childcare Volunteers Wanted: The children in 10 AM Childcare need a few more volunteers to supervise playtime for the first thirty minutes of the 10 AM worship service. Volunteers must have participated regularly at Holy Family for a minimum of six months and completed abuse prevention training mandated by the Diocese. High school volunteers may assist once per month when a trained adult is present. It's a fun time to get to know the kiddos of the #holyvillage so much better. Please sign up [HERE](#) or reach out to Childcare Coordinator Emily Becraft through the church office. admin@hfec.org

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 and 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, oats, snacks, tomato sauce, jello mix, canned fruit, sugar, oil, flour, crackers, dried beans, crunchy peanut butter, beef stew, minute rice, canned pasta, and corn bread mix. For a list of items that the food pantry especially needs,

visit: tinyurl.com/HFECfoodpantry. Donations can be dropped off in the baskets near the coat racks in the church lobby during Sunday worship hours.

MINISTRY GATHERINGS

Prayer Shawl Ministry: The Prayer Shawl Ministry is open to anyone who has the skills or desire to knit or crochet. Additional hands are always needed, and teachers are available! Prayer Shawls begin with the shawl maker saying prayers for the recipient. Prayers are continued during the creation of the shawl and shawls are blessed by the priest before they are given as gifts. Meetings are held in the Narthex of Holy Family at 7 PM on the second Monday of the month. The next meeting will be July 8th Please contact Kristine Canter or the church office for more information. admin@hfec.org

Reading the World: Book group will meet again on Wednesday, July 10th at 3 PM. The book for July, The Celebrants by Steven Rowley, isn't taking anyone too far from home - just to California, Oregon, and New York, with a brief stop in DC. This is more the story of an inner journey. It begins with a college student who dies only weeks before graduation. At the time of his funeral, his five closest friends make a pact to hold a "living funeral" for one another at a time when each needs a special reminder of how valuable they are to the world and how much they are loved. The story is packed with foolishness and wisdom, love and loneliness, and comfort. RTW will not meet in August...but the September book is really long...so get started on it soon! The chosen book, The Covenant of Water by Abraham Verghese, takes you to South India and covers three generations of a family that lives with a disturbing secret. With more than 700 engaging pages, this will be a worthy read for the heat of summer, so find a cool spot and settle in! To join the lively discussions on these and other great books, talk to Fr. Bruce or any member of the reading group. bgray@hfec.org

FELLOWSHIP

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 Mel Bohlander via the church office. admin@hfec.org

OTHER NEWS

Stewardship Drive Continues: The Vestry reminds everyone that Holy Family is asking people to plan their giving to support the parish budget for 2024. Pledge packets and additional Pledge Cards are available in the lobby by the Sunday bulletins. Questions can be directed to Fr. Bruce/any Vestry member or visit the Stewardship webpage. bgray@hfec.org

(317) 842-4133
www.holyfamilyfishers.org

You may donate online by scanning this code:

Holy Family Financials Through April 30th

Income \$113,360

Expenses \$127,851

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) 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.

Serving Sunday:

Celebrant: Rev. Bruce Gray

Homily: Rev. Bruce Gray

Music Director: Bethany Paden

Piano/Organ: Heather and Doug Tannas

Greeter: Larry Pickens

Ushers: Gary Snyder, Joel Asmus

Readers: Betty Bogeman, Pete Mulhall, Joel Bruns, Sharon

Naatz

Prayers: David Emerson, David Diaz

Acolytes: Ellie Tannas, Nina Hamon

Chalice: Nancy Thomas, Ruth Everett, Carol Bruns

LEV: Stephen Canter

Bread: Emily Becraft

Almoners: Gary Snyder, Emily Becraft

Vestry Member of the Week: Gary Snyder

Altar Guild: Reba Ericksen

10 AM Childcare: Emily Becraft

*Today's altar flowers are given in celebration of
Joe Spangler's birthday.*

Upcoming Events:

Prayer Group: July 8th 6:30-7 PM

Prayer Shawl Ministry: July 8th 7 PM

Book Club: July 10th 3PM via Zoom

Music & Meditation Offertory Selection: July 21st 10 AM

Thanks Be to God:

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

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