



Holy Family Episcopal Church

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Christmas Day
10 AM - December 25, 2025

Welcome!

Holy Family seeks to bear witness to the Light of Christ by serving as the heart and hands of Jesus, nourishing people and transforming lives.

Holy Family Episcopal Church is a young and growing congregation with an emphasis on children, youth, and intergenerational ministry, spiritual growth, and community outreach.

If you would like more information about Holy Family or to schedule a meeting, you are invited to fill out a Welcome Card which may be found on clipboards in the sanctuary chair pockets. Completed cards can be dropped in the offering plate, handed to an usher or Father Frank, or placed in the clear box on the Welcome Desk. Thank you for being part of the community this morning!

References marked BCP are for pages in The Book of Common Prayer; those marked as H refer to hymns in The Hymnal 1982 (blue hardback book); those marked as S refer to service music hymns in the front of The Hymnal 1982 (blue hardback book); those marked as G refer to hymns in the songbook Gather (blue paperback book), those marked as WLP refer to hymns in the songbook Wonder, Love, and Praise (dark green paperback book).

Holy Eucharist – Rite II

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

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.**

The Gloria

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.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

62:6-12

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the Lord, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather it shall drink it in

my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth:

Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord"; and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 97

We will read the psalm responsively by half verse, breaking at the asterisk.

¹The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; * **let the multitude of the isles be glad.**

² Clouds and darkness are round about him, * **righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.**

³A fire goes before him * **and burns up his enemies on every side.**

⁴His lightnings light up the world; * **the earth sees it and is afraid.**

⁵The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, ***at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.**

⁶The heavens declare his righteousness, ***and all the peoples see his glory.**

⁷Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! ***Bow down before him, all you gods.**

⁸Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, * **because of your judgments, O Lord.**

⁹For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; * **you are exalted far above all gods.**

¹⁰The Lord loves those who hate evil; ***he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**

¹¹Light has sprung up for the righteous, ***and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.**

¹² Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, ***and give thanks to his holy Name.**

A Reading from Paul's Letter to Titus

3:4-7

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel

Luke 2:1:20

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

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

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what

the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily Father Frank Impicciche

The Prayers of the People

*Written by the children, youth, and adults of Holy Family.
The Intercessor and People pray responsively.*

We pray for the Church throughout the world — for those who share God's love and serve in Jesus' name. We pray for the global church and the joy it brings through music, fellowship, and community. We pray for all members past, present, and future. Fill us with peace, and help us on our journeys to come closer to you. Guide us to be the heart and the hands of Jesus, nourishing people and transforming lives. **In your love, answer us.**

We pray for our leaders, for wisdom and fairness, and for peace among all nations. Lord, open our hearts and minds to what is possible with your creation, to let your Love transcend the division, hypocrisy, and selfishness that too often weigh us down. Fill our hearts with your grace, and instill in us empathy and intellect to cut through misinformation, separating your signal from the noise. **In your love, answer us.**

We pray for the world — for creation, peace, and all people in need of healing and hope. We pray for all people to celebrate the diversity of the world as we seek to understand and appreciate those who are different from us. We pray especially for world leaders to put aside differences and come together for the common good of humanity. O God, please bring hope and peace to any people suffering during times of war, hunger, and hardship. Thank you for the beauty of your creation that brings us joy when we spend time in nature and enjoy God's creatures, from Gila monsters to seahorses. **In your love, answer us.**

We pray for our wider community — for our neighborhoods, schools, workplaces, and local leaders, that kindness, safety, and compassion may grow among all who live and serve here. We pray for unity and acceptance, rejoicing in the changing diversity of our community. We pray for social connection for newcomers within our growing church. We pray that leaders and citizens reflect, identify, and address the needs of the unseen, and/or underserved. We pray for our continued support of Delaware Township Trustee's Food Bank, Fishers

Elementary School, and to continue to expand outreach initiatives. We pray that we are aware and responsive to environmental concerns and be good stewards of our natural resources. **In your love, answer us.**

We pray for our parish — for its members, ministries, leaders, and all who find belonging, hope, and spiritual nourishment within this church family. Lord, we thank you for our community here at Holy Family and all of the ministries, seen and unseen, that come together to do your work. We ask your blessing and guidance for all of those who contribute to the ministry and outreach of our church family, including the acolytes, prison ministry volunteers, children's ministry, youth ministry, bread makers, AV experts, administrative staff, ushers, Saint Francis ministers, musicians, and all others whose work may go unnoticed, but not unappreciated. **In your love, answer us.**

We pray for the sick, the lonely, and those who are hurting, that they may know God's love and comfort. We pray for those who are experiencing mental and physical struggles and their caregivers. Give them hope in the days ahead. We pray for those who are lonely to find a sense of community, peace, and joy. Help us all to pray and be with you in a life that can seem overwhelming and busy. Let us remember the importance in slowing down and finding joy in God's presence. We pray for those who don't have a safe environment — children, the homeless, immigrants, first responders, and the incarcerated. We pray for those experiencing financial difficulties. Give them daily bread and peace in the midst of life's uncertainties. We pray for children without parents and who don't know how to respond in scary situations, such as fire drills and natural disasters. Let them find God's peace in these times. **In your love, answer us.**

We remember those who have died and now rest in God's peace, giving thanks for their lives and love. We remember with gratefulness, the loving memories and traditions they left us, the time spent together, especially playing games. We pray for people who are missing their loved ones, especially those who have lost many people, that they may feel the comfort and peace of God. We pray for those who are alone, especially in nursing homes, that they may feel God's love. **In your love, answer us.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, the Presider proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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

The people stand or kneel, the Presider continues

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

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

Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People
**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Presider continues

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

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

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

Please stand as you are able.

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

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

Fraction Anthem

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**
Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy gifts for God's Holy People.

The Invitation

This table is for everyone. All who seek God are invited to share in Holy Communion. If you wish to participate, but prefer not to receive Holy Communion, please join everyone coming forward. Cross your arms over your chest and we will be glad to offer you a blessing. A gluten free option is available for those who need it. If you wish to have Holy Communion brought to your seat, please let one of the Ushers know.

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

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

May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Presider 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 to learn more about Holy Family, please visit our website at HolyFamilyFishers.org.

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Homily: The Rev'd Frank Impicciche

Bread: Chris Beldin

Altar Guild: Karen and Jeff Smith

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