

The Fourth Sunday of Easter May 3, 2020

Welcome to Holy Family's Online Worship!

If you would like more information about Holy Family or otherwise want to communicate with the clergy or office, please email admin@hfec.org. Thank you for being part of the community this worship time! Alleluia Christ is Risen!

References marked BCP are for pages in The Book of Common Prayer.

You are invited to check in on social media.

Entrance Hymn

Gather 311 Gather Us In

- Here in this place new light is streaming Now is the darkness vanished away See in this space our fears and our dreamings Brought here to you in the light of this day Gather us in, the lost and forsaken Gather us in, the blind and the lame Call to us now and we shall awaken We shall arise at the sound of our name
- 2. We are the young, our lives are a mystery We are the old who yearn for your face We have been sung throughout all of history Called to be light to the whole human race Gather us in, the rich and the haughty Gather us in, the proud and the strong Give us a heart so meek and so lowly Give us the courage to enter the song
- 3. Here we will take the wine and the water Here we will take the bread of new birth Here you shall call your sons and your daughters Call us anew to be salt for the earth Give us to drink the wine of compassion Give us to eat the bread that is you Nourish us well and teach us to fashion Lives that are holy and hearts that are true
- 4. Not in the dark of buildings confining Not in some heaven light years away But here in this place the new light is shining Now is the kingdom, now is the day Gather us in and hold us forever Gather us in and make us your own Gather us in, all peoples together Fire of love in our flesh and our bones

Greeting and Announcements

The Word of God

BCP 355

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Officiant

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 97

Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

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.

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. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

Psalm 23

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

The Second Reading

1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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

The Holy Gospel

John 10:1-10

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Cathy 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 Cahalan, Calhoun, and Canter families and for our Music 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 people and clergy of St. Philips, 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 Tim, Linda, Greg, Tim, Carla, Kristine, Kerry, Lindy, Laraine, Krista, Kyla, Alma, Betty, Paul, Bob, Dee, Natalie, Bev, Sue, and Krista, 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 pray for those expecting babies soon especially Kylie & Dylan and Diane & Quinn. We pray for those preparing for Confirmation. We pray in Thanksgiving for our church community. Even when we are physically separated, we are one body in prayer. Please add your own thanksgivings.

Silence - the People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Especially remembering Barbara Hardt, 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.**

Deacon Let us confess sins against God and our neighbor.

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

The Peace

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

Anthem

Doug Tannas Amazing Grace Newton/Excell, arr. Schrader

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.

Additional Prayers

The Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn

WLP 764

Taste and See

Refrain Taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord O taste and see.

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

1 I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall always be on my lips; my soul shall glory in the Lord; for he has been so good to me.

Refrain

2 Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us all praise his name. I called the Lord and he answered me; from all my troubles he set me free.

Refrain

3 Worship the Lord all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask. Taste and see that God is good; in him we need put all our trust.

Refrain

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Announcements:

<u>Welcome to Holy Family!</u> If you would like more information about Holy Family, please email Fr. Bruce at <u>bgray@hfec.org</u> or go to the Holy Family Website <u>HolyFamilyFishers.org</u>.

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

<u>Social Media:</u> Be sure to check in on social media and talk about today's online worship. Share how you are spending your worship time and spread the Good News!

<u>Church at Home</u>: Weekly resources for children, youth, and adults can be found at <u>Faith@Home</u>. Also, see the bottom of each week's Holy Family newsletter for a printable coloring sheet that matches the weekly Gospel scripture.

Morning Prayer & Compline – Facebook Watch Parties: The Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis has set up a page on Facebook for live videos of Morning Prayer and Compline at 8 AM and 8 PM, respectively. All are welcome to join in on these Watch Parties through the diocesan page, IndyDioVirtual Abbey.

<u>Licensed Counseling Available for Free</u>: Deacon Cathy is offering free, short-term counseling by telephone for any parishioner who is experiencing depression, anxiety, or just generalized worry about the future or is having difficulty coping with this "new normal." Cathy has over 30 years of counseling experience and is licensed with the State of Indiana. Deacon Cathy cannot prescribe medication, but will be happy to refer you to a local mental health center for follow-up. Feel free to reach out to her at 317-441-8493 to talk.

<u>Flower Sale</u>: Spring flowers are now on sale! Orders can be delivered to your home or made available for pick-up at Holy Family by Mother's Day with no contact. Flower sales benefit community outreach activities at Holy Family. Please click <u>HERE</u> to order your flowers.

Youth Group Meditation: The next online gathering for members of Youth Group (grades 7-12) will be held via ZOOM on Sunday, May 3rd at 8:15 PM. Deacon Cathy will be leading a guided meditation. Please check Remind101 or contact Youth Ministry for the login information.

New Youth Director: Ruth Everett is delighted to step into her new role as Director of Youth Ministry for Holy Family. Though she is no stranger to the church, outside of her other laity roles, she has been a mentor with the youth for the past 10+ years. She also works with the youth in the diocese on the Youth Steering Committee, which helps plan and run youth events, including fall and spring retreats at Waycross. Outside the church, Ruth is a 6th grade math teacher for Hamilton Southeastern Schools and has 28 years of education experience. She would like to thank both Ben & Bethany Paden for their work and direction for the past year as directors. To contact Mrs. Everett about Youth Ministry activities, please email youthministry@hfec.org. View her welcome video HERE!

<u>COVID-19</u> Information <u>Webpage</u>: Holy Family has created a new webpage to centralize information about staying connected to church life, receiving current health information, and finding resources for spiritual practices during these difficult times. The page can be found <u>HERE</u>.

TIME CHANGE Pub Theology - Finding Grace in the Moment: On Wednesday, May 6th at 6 PM, Deacon Cathy will host an online conversation about exploring the positive experiences and changes in life during this difficult time. "Really, Cathy? I never planned to Marie-Kondo-my-life THIS MUCH!" Contact Deacon Cathy or Fr. Bruce for more information.

Online Resource: Fr. Bruce has started a new blog for spiritual resources, especially during this time of social distancing. Holy Family's deacon, Cathy Scott, is also contributing to it and other authors may also do so in the future. The website is www.churchfromadistance.org. Feel free to share it with others, and to offer suggestions or questions that would help make the blog more interesting and helpful. Contact Bruce at bgray@hfec.org.

<u>Virtual Egg Hunt</u>: Welcome to Holy Family's first virtual Easter egg hunt! Start <u>HERE</u> to begin your journey. Happy egg hunting!

<u>Sew Many Ways to Help!</u> Area crafters are joining together to sew protective masks and scrub caps for area healthcare providers, food pantry volunteers, and others. For more information on how to help by donating money or supplies or by sewing these items, please click <u>HERE</u>.

<u>Love Thy Neighbor</u>: While following recommended social distancing procedures, consider checking in on ill, elderly, or isolated neighbors to make sure they are doing ok.

Pass the Peace: Record yourself and/or members of your household saying, "The Peace of the Lord be with you....and also with you" on a phone, laptop, or tablet. Email the video files to shortcut@hfec.org for the recordings to be used in an upcoming Holy Family online worship service video on YouTube (HFECVIDEOS). Record in a place where there is good lighting on your face and little or no background noise. Your videos may include any members of your family, including pets.

Personal Prayer: During this difficult time, Deacon Cathy and Father Bruce are available to pray with individuals or families by text or phone. Please reach out by text first (if possible) to set up a time to pray together.

The Reverend Bruce W. Gray (317) 363-6412

The Reverend Cathy Scott (317) 441-8493

Giving to Holy Family Online: Even though Holy Family is not gathering in person, the work of ministry continues in a wide range of activities. Bills continue to be paid, and therefore giving by parishioners continues to be crucial. Make a contribution via this link, and The Episcopal Diocese of Indianapolis will absorb 100% of the payment processing fee, so every cent you give will go to Holy Family. Other ways to donate are using your online banking, using the giving link on the parish webpage (which works using PayPal), or mailing a check to the church office. Everyone's support of God's work through Holy Family is needed and very appreciated!

Morning Book Club Online: This book club is for adults of all ages. The current book is *Listening Is An Act Of Love* by Dave Isay. This book is full of inspiring stories of ordinary people, so is very appropriate to this difficult time. An online discussion group has been formed for those who are interested, and may be helpful in forming connections with one another. Please send a request to join the group here: tinyurl.com/HolyFamilyBookClub

<u>Social Media</u>: Be sure to check in on social media and share your experience with online worship with Holy Family. Share how you are spending your worship time, invite someone new to participate, and <u>send a photo</u> of your household members engaging in worship online to help spread the Good News!

Shortcut to Sunday Podcasts: Holy Family hosts a podcast that focuses on the bible readings for each week. Father Bruce and Ben Paden briefly discuss the assigned scriptures. New episodes are released on Tuesdays in preparation for the following Sunday. The podcasts can be found on iTunes and other podcast sources. Share with your friends!

Mulch Cash & Carry: Looking to freshen up your landscaping in these dreary winter months? Bags of Forrest Fines mulch are now available for just \$5. Please make payment to the church office or online here: holyfamilyfishers.org/donate/ If you prefer, bulk mulch delivery to your home will also be available on April 22 or 23 and May 20 or 21.

Upcoming Events:

Youth Group Meditation: May 3 8:15 PM Pub Theology: May 6 6 PM - TIME CHANGE

Bishop's Visit: May 31 10 AM

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

<u>Prayer List:</u> Tim, Linda, Greg, Tim, Carla, Kristine, Kerry, Lindy, Laraine, Krista, Kyla, Alma, Betty, Paul, Bob, Dee, Natalie, Bev, Sue, Krista

Parish Budget Update: Holy Family relies on the generosity of Sunday worshippers to support the ministries of the church. If possible, please keep up on your pledge so Holy Family can continue to grow in its ministry. The financial information reflects the church financial reports as of March 31, 2020.

	Actual
Income	\$59,659*
Expense	\$58,988
Difference	\$671

^{*} Includes \$13,167 received in 2019 for 2020 pledges.

Serving today:

Officiant: The Rev. Bruce Gray
Homily: The Rev. Cathy Gray
Deacon: The Rev. Cathy Scott
Music Director: Bethany Paden

Readers: Ruth Everett, Sandra Cline

Prayers: Joan Head

Thanks Be to God

- Ben and Bethany Paden for serving as Youth Directors for 2019-2020
- All readers and volunteers for Holy Family's worship videos
- Ben Paden for producing Holy Family's worship videos
- Local crafters who are sewing masks for healthcare professionals
- Hospital staff and first responders
- IT professionals who are working to increase connectivity
- Those who work in grocery stores, food service, postal services, and delivery

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