



Episcopal Church
of the Holy Family
Jasper, GA 770-893-4525

November 14, 2021

Creating Christian Community: Serving and Engaging People in Vibrant Ministries

This week at Holy Family Episcopal Church

Touchstone

Every Member Canvass Continues: Last week a letter was sent to all parishioners detailing the Canvass. Estimate of Giving cards were enclosed with return envelopes and the Step-Up Chart showing all the levels of giving by members of Holy Family. If you did not receive the mailing, call Christie Beiring in the church office. The dedication of Estimate of Giving Cards will be on Sunday, November 21 in both services.

To date, 19 cards have been received totaling \$90,240. This is an excellent beginning to our Canvass. See the Step Up Chart and the giving thermometer in the gallery at the nave entrance for graphic illustrations of how the canvass is coming along. *G. Yandell*

Sunday Thank You Flower Guild: The beautiful fall arrays at the entrance to the nave and at the altar are stunning complements to the changing of the seasons. Thank you, Flower Guild. *G. Yandell*

Adult Education Offering in Advent: *The First Christmas* by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan Starting Sunday, November 28 in the 9:15 zoom class, I'll be teaching from Borg and Crossan's book *The First Christmas: What the Gospels Really Teach About Jesus' Birth*. Copies of the book are available on Amazon if participants want to get a jump-start on the class. Used paperback copies can be had for as little as \$4.00. A YouTube video (12 minutes) of an interview with the authors gives an overview of the text. The video is available on The Marcus Borg Foundation website under The First Christmas- Borg. *G. Yandell*



New Labyrinth Tree: Jack DeCamillis gifted this tree to the labyrinth in memory of his sister. Steve Sarratt and Terry Franzen helped Jack plant it a couple weeks ago. It adds beauty to the labyrinth landscaping. Thank you, Jack. And Steve and Terry. *G. Yandell*

Adult Education: Sunday, November 7th, we continue a five session film series, *A New Family*. The series features New York Times best-selling author, Rachel Held Evans. A native of Tennessee, she wrote and spoke about "faith, doubt and life in the Bible belt". Her books include *Inspired*, *Searching for Sunday*, *Faith Unraveled* and *A Year of Biblical Womanhood*. She served on President Obama's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships.

A New Family explores inclusivity in the church. Evans said, "The folks you are shutting out of the church today will be leading it tomorrow. The future is in the margins". Please join us as we explore opening the doors of the sanctuary. What might a future in the margins look like?

Zoom Meeting ID: 833 8671 2826

Click for Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83386712826>

Quarterly Contribution Statements: Statements are ready and available in the church for a short time. Please go by and pick yours up to help save on postage.

Holy Family Book Club: Mark your calendars for our winter book club gathering on Wednesday, January 26, at 6 pm, when we will discuss Jim Wallis's highly acclaimed book, America's Original Sin. Wallis is the founder of Sojourners in Washington, DC and is a thought leader for religion in the US and beyond. His book addresses racism and white privilege in a Christian context. We hope you can join us for what we expect to be a thought-provoking read and discussion. *Terry Franzen*

Gifts Via Stocks or Wired Assets: Holy Family is blessed and thankful for all the support and gifts we receive. You may contribute by check, cash or by transferring stock electronically or wired assets. When we receive stock gifts, the contributor name and fund is usually not included. If you are gifting stocks, please contact the office to let us know, helping us to identify the contributor when the gift arrives. If you have recently made such a contribution and have not spoken with our Parish Administrator, Christie Beiring, please give her a call as we have received some gifts with no identifying name. *G. Yandell*



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John King Carter, Organist/Choirmaster - Jacques LeBlanc, Sexton

Ric Sanchez, Chief Verger - Jim Braley, Verger - Amelia Broussard, Verger

Christie Beiring, Parish Administrator



Vision: *Revealing Jesus through our actions by extending his love for us through our service to others*

Mission: *Creating Christian community: serving and engaging people in vibrant ministries*