



ST. BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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We welcome you in the name of the Lord!

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The mission of St. Benedict's Church is to "know Christ's love and to make His love known"

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Year C – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year Two
September 17 AND 18, 2016

Weekend Schedule

Saturday: Holy Eucharist Rite II – 6:00 pm

Sunday: Morning Prayer - 7:45 am

Holy Eucharist Rite I – 8:00 am

Eucharist Rite II – 10:00 am

(With Sunday school for Children and Youth of all ages)

Weekday Eucharist/Prayer in Community

Tuesday: Intercessory Prayer Group – 8:00 am

Tuesday: Holy Eucharist - 8:30 am

Wednesday: Holy Eucharist/Healing Service – 7:00 pm

Thursday: Holy Eucharist – 8:30 am

Order of Service - Holy Eucharist: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 355) – 8:00 am (BCP 323)

The Collect

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Psalm 79:1-9 *Deus, venerunt*

1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple; *
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.
2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, *
and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, *
and there was no one to bury them.
4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, *
an object of scorn and derision to those around us.
5 How long will you be angry, O LORD? *
will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you *
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.
7 For they have devoured Jacob *
and made his dwelling a ruin.
8 Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; *
for we have been brought very low.
9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; *
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

The Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (16:1-13)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a

slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of the Lord. **ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD CHRIST**

Sermon/Homily: 6:00 pm Saturday, 8:00 am and 10:00 am Sunday: Fr. Albert Cutié, Rector

Prayers of the People: 6:00 pm & 10:00 am: Form I; 8:00 am (BCP 328)

Blessings for anniversaries and birthdays and the laying on of hands for healing

The Great Thanksgiving: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 361); 8:00 am (BCP 333)

All baptized Christians who affirm the Real Presence of Jesus in the

Holy Sacrament are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church.

Post Communion Prayer: BCP, 365 (8:00 am BCP, 339)

Sending out the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: N. (and N.) we send you out to share Communion this week with (names).

People: **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's body and blood.**

Celebrant: May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. **People: Amen.**

The title of the first article will be: God's Word in Human Words.

Fr. Albert, in his primary concern for the spiritual growth of the people of St. Benedict, has asked me to comment on our Sunday lessons from the Eucharist in each bulletin. I am privileged and grateful for this opportunity to help. Today's gospel records Jesus trying to teach us how to draw spiritual meaning from the events of our daily lives. He recalls Moses erecting a pole in the desert sands on which he hangs a bronze serpent. When the Israelites look on the image, according to the story, they regain their physical health. Numbers 21:8-9. (Today we see this healing image in the caduceus in many physicians' offices). Jesus exclaims that after he is lifted up (crucifixion), everyone who looks on him with understanding, heals spiritually. Jo 3:15. This deep healing applies also to us in our trials. If we find positive meaning in our own pain, we will defeat much of that pain, and experience his divine healing. Norm Carroll.

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S

***Mark your calendars!** The Episcopal Church of St. Benedict's at 7801 NW 5th St., Plantation calls you to an outstanding spiritual event Wednesday, September 28th at 7:30 PM. Shaikh Shafayat, an Islam Iman, will discuss with us Islam, Isis, Jihad, and our Christian heritage. He is a nationally known speaker, and founder of Darul Uloom Institute in Pembroke Pines. He has received, among other honors, the Pacemaker Award from St. Thomas University.

- Get the "low-down" on this explosive subject from an expert!
- Phone Norm Carroll for more information: 954-522-5682

***Faith in Music Ministry:** Tuesdays 9:30 AM. We will be studying Bach's Cantatas 198-200.

CURSILLO ALERT!! To all our Brothers here at St Benedict's. Episcopal Men's Cursillo #93 is coming. Oct. 6 - 9, 2016. This 3-day weekend is grounded in faith and helps to renew and deepen Christian Commitment, a weekend you will never forget. AS THE BISHOP SAID, "COME AND LET US BE A PART OF THE JESUS MOVEMENT". For Applications, please contact: Hazel Mitchell at 954-594-6281 or Gloria Rose at 754-224-8944.

***Adult Ed and Theological Reflection: Prayer at Its Best:** Prayer lies at the heart of religion and spirituality. But is God listening; does it really work? You would never guess what Jesus meant by exclaiming, Ask and you shall receive". We will meet Monday Sept 19 at 7 PM in the chapel to discuss this all-important topic.

The MISSION OF THE MONTH is LifeNet4Families: This month we are collecting funds to help LifeNet4Families provide a turkey or turkey meals to all their clients during the month of November. Let's give them a reason to be thankful. We thank you for your consistent and generous support. Remember, volunteer opportunities are available.

Anyone interested in the ministry of Sunday School for the coming 2016--2017 school year please contact Sharon Beck at 305-283-0111. Please consider working with our children just one Sunday a month! Our children need great teachers as they learn the word of God! We look forward to your help.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS, SENIORS AND PARENTS: Are you ready for college? Do you have questions regarding the college process? If so, we are here to assist! There will be a workshop held on Sunday, October 2, 2016 for all Juniors, Seniors (freshman and sophomores if interested) and parents regarding the college process: applying, essay writing, financial aid and scholarships. This workshop begins promptly at 12:30, so please come prepared to have your questions answered and to hear information that will help prepare you for college. If you have any questions, please see Nichelle Singletary or Carla Holness.

ATTENTION ALL CURSILLISTAS!!!! There will be an important Cursillo meeting on Saturday September 24th, 2016 at 10:00am in Stevens Hall. Please plan on attending.

Mothers' Union Meeting will be September 18th following the 10:00 am Service in St. Luke's Room.

WAR ROOM BIBLE STUDY: The movie was powerful. During our current stage of apostasy in this country, the pertinent message of grace and Jesus' power is vital to our walk and existence. A valuable explanation of what Jesus meant when He said rest in me was conveyed. "I have been looking for the video to share with my family and friends." That's just one of the comments made by one of the movie goers. No one was disappointed in the movie "**War Room.**" On Fridays we are having Bible Study about the **power of prayer** and its importance in our walk with God. There are two separate studies. In the morning from 9:30am -11:00am and in the evening from 7pm-8:30pm. We will meet in the Conference Room. For more information, call 954-530-0901

This Wednesday at 7pm central-time, a National Solemn Assembly will be streamed live from Dallas, Texas. "The Gathering," as it is called is a powerful program about the urgent need for prayer in our country today. One vision, one voice, one agenda, and "One Nation Under God." Google the gathering/2016.

There will be a Labyrinth Walk on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 7pm in Deshaies Hall. The focus will be on prayer.

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch or smile. A huge thank you to all the volunteers who contributed in making the 80-plus luncheon a success.

Sandwich Sunday is Sunday, September 25th for our Mission of the Month, LifeNet4Families.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will have their monthly meeting immediately following the 10 am service on September 18th. All men (young and old) are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

UTO Corner 2016: Did you know that throughout the 19th century the Episcopal Church women promoted, organized and funded most of the outreach missionary work--both Domestic and International? Missionary work continues today through the UTO grants...Please pray and make your donations into your little Blue Box until December 4, 2016. Thank you.

St Benedicts Luncheon Group will gather at CARRABBA'S Italian Grill on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. and reservations are required. For details contact: Connie Desko 954-370-9778.

SAVE THE DATE!!! We will celebrate "Clergy Appreciation" on Saturday October 15th, 2016 beginning at 8:00pm. The theme is "**Back to the 70's**" come one! come all! come dressed in your best 70's outfit - Dashiki, bell bottom pants, afro - the bigger the better. Tickets are \$25.00 each. For more information, please contact Susan Brillinger, Tanya Holmes or Paulette Superville. Babysitting service available at a cost of \$5.00 per child.

Spiritual Thought for the Week: "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." -Helen Keller

Our offerings to God for September 10 AND 11, 2016

Operating Fund:	\$6,428.00
Building Fund:	\$1,234.00
Total:	\$7,662.00

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