



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"

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year One
April 22 and 23, 2017

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

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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: Acts 2:14a,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put

one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

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

Psalm 16 *Conserva me, Domine*

1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *

I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *

upon those who are noble among the people.

3 But those who run after other gods *shall have their troubles multiplied.

4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *it is you who uphold my lot.

6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *my heart teaches me, night after night.

8 I have set the LORD always before me; *because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *my body also shall rest in hope.

10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *nor let your holy one see the Pit.

11 You will show me the path of life; *

in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (20:19-31)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to

believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. The Gospel of the Lord. **ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD CHRIST**

YOU ARE SENT!

I SEND you this message, or you SEND a friend to the store. To send seems like an ordinary action. However, "to send" in context, in the Bible means an official delegation; for example, the president "sends" an official delegate to the United Nations. In today's gospel, just as the Father "sends" Jesus officially so Jesus officially "sends" us as his personal selected representatives to his beloved. Then, Jesus breathed on them reminding us of the Spirit of God breathing life into humanity at creation. Yes; Jesus sends us to become a new creation, a new people, dedicated to his same mission: to give our lives in love and compassion to all whom we touch. Thomas is amazed Jesus has risen, and we are amazed that he has risen in us, and "sends" us personally to complete his work. Norm Carroll spiritualsummit.net

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S

Save the date!!! Vacation Bible School 2017: June 26-30 from 8:00 am – 12:00 noon. Early drop-off available. Registration will begin April 23rd. This is a great program we offer to everyone in our community and it is open to all children, regardless of their church affiliation or denomination.

Study the Gospel of Mark with Father Albert! Our Rector's Forum is every Wednesday at 7:30 pm following our healing mass. We are studying the Gospel of Mark. Come for a reflective and prayerful reading of Scripture.

Confirmation will be on May 20th, 2017. Confirmation classes are taking place on Sundays following the 10:00 am service in the Conference Room. See Deacon Debra for information.

Life Beyond Death: We invite you to an amazing evening Monday April 24 at 7:00 pm in the chapel. Prepare for a wisdom-filled discussion of the appearances of Jesus after his resurrection. **Sunday Bible Reflections** before the 10:00 am Eucharist. You are welcome to meet at 9:30 in the chapel, and discover the hidden treasure in our Sunday readings.

Faith in Music Ministry: We will be listening and studying J.S. Bach's Kantaten 194-197 this Tuesday at 9:30 am.

Mothers' Union High Tea will be this Sunday, April 23rd, 2017 at 3:00 pm in the Deshaies Hall.

Thanks to all who contributed to make last week's Easter Hunt for the children special. Special thanks to the Jr. Daughters of the King and the bunny for making an appearance.

Relay For Life: Thank you for coming to our RELAY FOR PLANTATION AT CENTRAL PARK. Special thank you to our planning team for their guidance. As of Wednesday, we raised \$8161.00. To our **Survivors - keep fighting.**

Mission of the Month is God's Little Lambs: God's Little Lambs is a Christian nursery and pre-school right here in Broward County. They are dedicated to homeless and low-income families, with sponsorship from various Churches and organizations in the Ft. Lauderdale area. St Benedict's has been providing an arts and crafts program for them for the past 13 years. Through your generous donations and God's help, we hope to continue this service.

This month Sandwich Sunday will be on April 30th.

Spiritual Thought for the Week: "Look for yourself, and you will find in the long run only hatred, loneliness, despair, rage, ruin, and decay. But look for Christ and you will find Him, and with Him everything else thrown in." — C.S. Lewis

Our offerings to God for April 15 and 16, 2017 - Thank you for your generosity!

Operating: \$15,438.25
Building Fund: \$1,195.00
Total: \$16,633.25
Costs/Budget: \$9,900.00
Over budget for the week: \$6,733.25

**You can't be here every Sunday? We can help...
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We really need you!

Each and every member of this community is important to God and to us. Together, throughout the years, we have helped to create this beautiful Christian community and together we build up the Body of Christ, here at St. Benedict's.

I ask that you take a moment to consider including this church in your Last Will and Testament and to make a generous contribution that will be a lasting spiritual legacy. Please contact us so we can help you to take this important step for the long-term wellbeing of your church. We have volunteers who are prepared to guide you with this and with any other special donations you would like to make in memory of loved ones or as a legacy gift. Think of all the lives our generous giving can touch for generations to come!

With every blessing for you and yours,

Father Albert