



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"

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Year A – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year One
JULY 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

If you wish to follow along, please use the Book of Common Prayer (Red Book) in your pews...

Order of Service: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am Rite II (BCP 355) – 8:00 am Rite I (BCP 323)

The Collect

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Genesis 28:10-19a

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I

am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

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

Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23 *Domine, probasti*

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before *and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? *where can I flee from your presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning *and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will lead me *and your right hand hold me fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, *and the light around me turn to night,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; *
darkness and light to you are both alike.
- 22 Search me out, O God, and know my heart; *try me and know my restless thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in me *and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

The Epistle: Romans Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (13:24-30,36-43)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of

them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

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

Sermon/Homily: Saturday 6:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 am and 10:00 am,

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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)

The House Of God

Embrace the drama, fury, and wisdom of the Bible, and you will transform. Today's first proclamation describes the story of Isaac and Rebecca's dysfunctional family. Rebecca prefers her younger son Jacob over Esau, (family alignment) and sends him far away to escape Esau's wrath. En route, Jacob dreams of a ladder from heaven to earth on which angels (God's messengers) ascend and descend. God promises Jacob and his descendants (spiritually all of us): "I am with you and will keep you wherever you go". Truly, God sends us a message in our every experience, and remains in us as our lover and protector. Not surprisingly, Jacob names the place Bethel (house of God), and thereby urges us to realize God resides in us, and we become houses of God. - *Norm Carroll spiritualsummit.net*

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S

Last Bible Study of the Summer this Wednesday at 7:30 PM with Father Albert: Our Rector's Forum ends this Wednesday and will resume in the fall. We will complete our study of the Gospel of Mark... Join us.

The Sacramental Candle is given to the Greater Glory of God and in loving memory of Peter Kazcor, Sr., on the anniversary of his birthday from Betty, Peter Jr., and John Kazcor.

C.P.R.: We have all heard of Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation, but CPR also stands for Children of the Protestant Revolution. We are those children, and we will discuss this amazing event that has impacted us so acutely. Come Monday at 7:00 pm to St. Mary's chapel.

Sunday Morning Headlines: The proclamations will be read at the 10:00 am Eucharist, but we will search out their marvelous meaning at 9:30 am in the chapel, this is the most effective way to prepare.

Youth Group: Our middle and high school youth meet each Wednesday evening in the Teen Room from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. We invite all Youth to attend youth group.

Nursery Volunteers needed for one Sunday a month. Please Contact Sharlene Lacey (754)-234-2214 for further details.

ECW (Episcopal Church Women) will hold a meeting on Sunday, July 23 immediately following the 10 am service in St. Elizabeth's Room. We will be nominating our Distinguished Woman, so please plan to join us for this important meeting. Refreshments will be served. All women are part of ECW but we need you in attendance to continue to keep us strong!

Labyrinth Walk: This Tuesday, July 25th, in Deshaies Hall there will be a Labyrinth Walk for those parishioners who would like to rid themselves from some of their burdens. There is nothing better than a walk with the Lord to cast your burdens upon Him and lighten your load. The walk will begin at 7:00 pm.

We are looking for more volunteers for our Greeter's Ministry, particularly for the Saturday 6:00 pm service and the Sunday 8:00 am service. These are the individuals that welcome new guests and attendees in the narthex prior to each service. For more information, please contact Chery Hill 954-292-8700.

Donations of any new Birthday or Christmas cards suitable for children ages 3 - 20 would be appreciated. We have been sending them to "The Little Roses" in Honduras. Leave them in the Narthex marked LITTLE ROSES. Thank you.

The Mission of the month for July is Friends of the Good Shepherd: Friends of the Good Shepherd Mission provides financial, physical and moral support to help the educational and healthcare needs of the disadvantaged of Western Jamaica. It's CHRISTMAS IN JULY as we try to gather small toys, puzzles, books, games, dolls and stuffed animals to help this Mission provide Christmas for their kids. These gifts must be shipped via Food for the Poor in September or early October to ensure Christmas delivery.

In fulfilling our vow of The Rule of Service, The Daughters of the King are having The Traveling Bassinet at St. Benedict's during the month of July. Each Daughter is being asked to donate new baby items, such as clothing, towels, bibs, diapers, shampoo, blankets, lotions, baby bottles or toys, etc. **Donations from the congregation will be greatly appreciated.** All items donated will benefit the clients of "Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies." Please contact Jennifer Chang or Norma Tate if there are any questions.

CPC Fact: The National Book Fund Grant helped St Joseph's Church ECW, Fayetteville, NC. which was damaged by fire on March 15th. They requested the Book of Common Prayer 1982, Hymnal and Lift Every Voice and Sing (75 each). Please continue to support The Ministry of the Printed Word by bring your donations and pennies until August 20th 2017.

Male or Female, Young or Old are welcome to attend the Cardio and Pilates Classes every Wednesday starting at 10 am here at St Benedict's Church. Call Cheri at 754-816-9698 to sign-up TODAY.

Spiritual Thought for the week: "Faith is not the clinging to a shrine, but an endless pilgrimage of the heart." — Abraham Joshua Heschel

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

Operating:	\$10,499.00
Building Fund:	\$ 2,314.00
Total:	\$12,813.00
Operational Costs:	\$ 9,900.00
<i>Thanks to all! We are over budget for the week:</i>	\$ 2,913.00

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