



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"

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Year A – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year One
September 16 and 17, 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

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon

their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

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

Psalm 114 *In exitu Israel*

1 Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, *the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
2 Judah became God's sanctuary *and Israel his dominion.
3 The sea beheld it and fled; *Jordan turned and went back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams, *and the little hills like young sheep.
5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *O Jordan, that you turned back?
6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *you little hills like young sheep?
7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *at the presence of the God of Jacob,
8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

The Epistle: Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (18:21-35)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him

by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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)

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S

Sunday School will begin on Sunday, September 24th during the 10:00 am Service.

New Weekday Service! Join us for Evening Prayer from Monday-Friday at 6:30 pm in Our Lady's Chapel. Evening Prayer allows us to develop the daily habit of "praying in community" and it is one of the most ancient Christian customs. It is okay to come once or more times each week, as your schedule allows. Our hope is that opportunities like this will help develop a more prayerful and Jesus-centered daily life for each of our parish members. You are welcome to attend and bring a friend...

The Sacramental Candle is offered to the Glory of God and in memory of Clarissa Ibarra on the anniversary of her death and birthday. From her daughter, Olga Judith Najarro, granddaughter Ruhama Cutié, and family.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the greater Glory of God and in loving memory of Joyce Edmondson.

Adult Formation resumes on Monday, September 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Gospel Searching: Our Sunday searching of the lessons will resume Sunday, September 17th at 9:30 am

Faith in Music Ministry: We will be listening and studying J.S. Bach's Kantaten 199-200 this Tuesday at 9:30 am.

Mothers' Union Meeting: The next Mothers' Union Meeting will be on September 17th in St. Luke's Room following the 10:00 am Service.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew: The next meeting will be on September 17th in St. Elizabeth's Room promptly following the 10:00 am Mass.

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.

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 Cheryl Hill 954-292-8700.

UTO 2017 Corner: It is UTO time again! Kindly pick up your little blue boxes and envelopes in the church's hallway as you leave, and please whisper a prayer during the day and make a donation into your boxes until December 3rd, 2017. Your continued prayers for the United Thank Offering Ministry is greatly appreciated.

Pledge Statements for the second quarter of the year are in a box in the narthex arranged in alphabetical order. Please pick up your statement today to save the church postage.

The Mission of the month for September is LifeNet4Families: LifeNet4Families has over 30 years of providing service to the hungry and homeless of Broward County. While reducing hunger is the primary goal of the organization, LifeNet4Families works to help clients regain or maintain stability by providing clients with access to on-site shower facilities, haircuts, clothing, counseling, referrals, job readiness preparation, emergency financial assistance, mailing address usage, and mail retrieval services.

Male or Female, Young or Old are welcome to attend the Cardio and Pilates Classes every Wednesday starting at 10:00 am here at St Benedict's Church. Call Cheri at 754-816-9698 to sign-up today.

Sandwich Sunday will be next Sunday, September 24th.

Spiritual Thought for the week: "I have made you. I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you."
- Isaiah 46:4

Our offerings to God for September 2 and 3, 2017 - Thank you for your generosity!

Operating:	7,809.00
Building Fund:	2,939.00
Total:	10,748.00
Operational Costs:	9,900.00
<i>Over Budget for the week:</i>	848.00

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Please remember St. Benedict's in your Last Will and Testament

THE SUMMER IS OVER...

It's great to see most people back from vacation and summer rest. Our pews are beginning to fill-up again. Yet, there is a very important **someone** missing. That someone is a person that only YOU know. Maybe it's a co-worker or a neighbor. It could also be a family member who has grown spiritually lazy or indifferent and is convinced they do not "need" to come to church. This is the time to lovingly invite people back... Our Sunday School will begin in a few weeks and there are lots of families which have time for sports and other activities, but have not been invited to bring their children or youth to know the Word of God and to live the life of a Christian community. It's your mission as a baptized Christian to be an evangelist!

Take time to invite someone to church today.

In Christ,
Father Albert