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CHURCH

We welcome you in the name of the Lord!

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Year A – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year One
January 14 and 15, 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

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 God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength--he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

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

Psalms 40:1-12 *Expectans, expectavi*

1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; *he stooped to me and heard my cry.
2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.
4 Happy are they who trust in the LORD! *they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.
6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *but they are more than I can count.
7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *(you have given me ears to hear you);
8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *and so I said, "Behold, I come.
9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'
10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O LORD, you know.
11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.
12 You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever,

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (1:29-42)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking

for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter). 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:

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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)

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).

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.**

WHAT ARE YOU SEARCHING FOR?

Today's gospel portrays Jesus, the Lamb of God, asking us, our families, and our communities that pivotal question: "What are you looking for?" So, we ask ourselves, "What, if anything, is my life-goal; my dream; for what do I thirst?" Some of us might answer, "I must pay off my mortgage," or "How can I regain my health?" or "Can I heal my family problems?" These are worthy goals, but Jesus calls us "to come and see him." Imagine sitting down for coffee with Jesus to discuss your life-objective. Look deeply into his eyes, and listen to his suggestions for your future. He will not advise you on day-to-day matters; you must make those decisions; but he will counsel forgiveness, compassion, and peace-making, which makes you a success in his eyes whatever your daily problems. Jesus then changes Simon's name which means for the Judeans that he has authority over Simon. We must allow him to change our name today; to make his life-objective ours; to make me a lamb of God. - *Norm Carroll*

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S

Welcome our Guest Speaker, The Rev. Gayle Fisher-Stewart, an Episcopal Priest who spent 20 years working as a police officer for the Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Police Department. She is a gifted speaker and we are blessed to welcome her as a guest speaker on such a significant weekend as we pray for an end to every form of violence, bigotry, and racial hatred in our world...

The Annual Parish Meeting: We will have the regular weekend schedule of services on January 21st and 22nd, 2017. Our Annual Parish Meeting will take place at noon on the 22nd of January and end on or before 1:30 pm. Those who are interested in attending the meeting may want to worship at the 10:00 AM Mass on that Sunday, or you have the choice to attend your usual service and then return on Sunday at Noon for the meeting. We ask that you make every effort to attend. All Pledging Members are welcome to participate and vote. Child care services and a meal will be provided on January 22nd during the Annual Meeting.

Following is a list of the Vestry nominees showing the services that they regularly attend:

Saturday, 6:00 pm: Leila Yocum

Sunday, 8:00 am: Cheryl Hill

Sunday, 10:00 am: Clayton Johnson, Iverton Newton, Bernard Shaw, Michael Williams

Heads of Ministries/Coordinators: Please hand in your Annual Meeting reports by January 17th. We would like to have all ministries represented in this year's Annual Report. Do not forget to include whatever new activities/programs you are offering.

Pledge envelopes for 2017 are on the table at the back of the church for those members who have *completed and submitted* pledge cards for 2017. If you have not completed a pledge card for 2017 please do so, so that we can provide you with envelopes. Note that your envelope number has changed in 2017, so please no longer use an envelope

number from a previous year; this will make it difficult to track your pledge. If you give your offerings online, you do not need envelopes – and it saves the church money, too.

NEW STARTING DATE: Join us every Wednesday, starting on January 18th at 7:30 PM, for our “all new” RECTOR’S FORUM... Father Albert will be conducting Anglican/Episcopal Theological reflections and Q & A sessions. We will use the book “What Episcopalians Believe” by Fr. Sam Wells as our guide. You can obtain it at a discounted price from our St. Benedict’s Book Stall. Please join us for a lively and prayerful discussion...

First Communion and Confirmation Classes: All our children 4 and up will be welcome to celebrate First Communion in the Spring. We also invite our teenagers in High School and all Adults wanting to receive Confirmation or Reception in the Episcopal Church to sign up for these special programs. Children and Youth will complete necessary preparation on Sundays with Deacon Debra. Adults are asked to attend our Wednesday Night Rector’s Forum beginning on January 18th at 7:30 PM and ending April 12th.

Adult Ed and Theological Reflection: Extraordinary! Join our wonderful turn-out on Monday at 7 PM in the chapel to discuss the life and thought of Jesus and how it impacts us today. **Sunday Scripture:** Enjoy Sunday Eucharistic proclamations as never before. Probe their real meaning, and be transformed. Join our discussion Sunday at 9:20 AM in Our Lady’s Chapel.

Without faith, without works, we too quickly become that man in the mirror staring at his face but then forgets the way he looks as soon as he turns away. (James 1:23-24) Christ came down from His throne to dwell among us not only for the forgiveness of our sins and our reconciliation with God the Father, but also to model for us what it is like to live as a Christian. On January 13, we will begin our Friday morning Bible Study on the Book of James. The book of James is filled with practical wisdom for Christians, calling us to live out genuine faith through good works. If you have any questions call (954-530-0901)

Faith in Music Ministry: Tuesdays 9:30 AM. We will be studying 19th century American Christmas Music, featuring the style of the “Southern Harp.”

Winter Wonderland is coming on Sunday, January 29th immediately following the 10 am service. We will have a Dunk Tank (dunk your favorite Priest and others), Bounce House, Frozen themed activities, face painting, food and more! Entrance/Activity wristband - \$5.00, Meals - Dinner \$5.00 or Hot Dogs and chips \$3.00. Sponsored by ECW to benefit our Senior Scholarship Fund.

It's back...the Valentine Day Raffle! We will be raffling tickets for dinner for two at a 5-star restaurant, limo ride to and from restaurant, bottle of wine and box of candy! Tickets: 1 for \$15.00 and 2 for \$25.00. All proceeds to benefit our Senior Scholarship Fund!

Mothers’ Union International Cuisine will take place on February 19th after the 10:00 am service.

ITS’ TIME AGAIN TO RELAY. April 21st 6:30 pm, Plantation Central Park. If you are interested in joining the planning team, please contact Donna Carty 954 801 3814.

MISSION OF THE MONTH is the Jubilee Center: Jubilee Center is a daily soup kitchen and counselling center, located in Hollywood. Their goal is to provide meals to the hungry and social services to the neediest in the community, as well as clothing, food and emergency aid.

Spiritual Thought for the Week: *“Faith is taking the first step even when you don’t see the whole staircase.”*
– Martin Luther King, Jr.

Our offerings to God for January 7 and 8, 2017 - Thank you for your generosity!

Operating Fund: \$7,805.66

Building Fund: \$2,265.00

Total: \$10,070.66

Weekly Total Operating Costs/Budget: \$9,900