



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"

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year One
April 29 and 30, 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

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: Acts 2:14a,36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

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

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 *Dilexi, quoniam*

1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

10 How shall I repay the LORD *for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *and call upon the Name of the LORD.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the LORD *is the death of his servants.

14 O LORD, I am your servant; *

I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *and call upon the Name of the LORD.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the LORD'S house, *in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

The Epistle: 1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (24:13-35)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about

himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

YOUR ULTIMATE JOURNEY!

Rev. Eugene LaVerdiere, the late great biblical scholar, called today's gospel on "journey", his ultimate favorite. The reason? It portrays the physical Jesus journeying with 2 disciples to Emmaus, and the risen Christ appearing to us in word and sacrament. Thus, the story connects they who walked with Jesus and we who have access to Christ in faith. Today, some Christians lament our not knowing Jesus in the flesh despite their ability to embrace him fully in faith through word and sacrament. Remember they who walk with him to Emmaus did not know he was: we do. Often, we fail to seek him in these 2 magnificent mysteries. Jesus still chides us: "O foolish men and slow of heart to believe!" We, today, still remain on journey to Emmaus, but do we recognize who walks with us? - 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.

Seeking Truth! Join us Monday, May 1 at 7:00 pm in the chapel to discuss the amazing resurrection and ascension of Jesus and of ourselves. **Sunday Morning:** Come to the 10:00 am Eucharist at 9:30 am in the chapel to discover the wondrous in-depth meaning of the readings.

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

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.

Blood Drive: Please share your lifesaving gift with patients in need. The Blood Mobile will be at St. Benedict's on Sunday, May 7th from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm. Appointments can be made online at

www.oneblooddonor.org and use sponsor code #591. All donors will receive a free T-shirt plus a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening.

Scholarships for High School Graduates: The deadline for submitting scholarship applications is Friday, May 5th, 2017. For more information, please contact Cheryl Burley at 954 770-4781.

There will be a Mothers' Union Meeting on May 7th. Please wear white for an important picture taking for the Convention. Convention will be from August 11th -15th, 2017.

This month Sandwich Sunday is 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 22 and 23, 2017 - Thank you for your generosity!

Operating: \$4,447.00

Building Fund: \$142.00

Total: \$

Costs/Budget: \$9,900.00

Over budget for the week: \$

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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