



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"

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Year A – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year One
JULY 8 AND 9, 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 - Holy Eucharist: 6:00 pm and 10:00 am (BCP 355) – 8:00 am (BCP 323)

The Collect

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

The servant said to Laban, "I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for

my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' "I came today to the spring, and said, 'O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" —let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master's son.' "Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left." And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death. The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Psalm 45: 11-18 *Eruclavit cor meum*

- 11 "Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; *forget your people and your father's house.
12 The king will have pleasure in your beauty; *he is your master; therefore do him honor.
13 The people of Tyre are here with a gift; *the rich among the people seek your favor."
14 All glorious is the princess as she enters; *her gown is cloth-of-gold.
15 In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; *
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.
16 With joy and gladness they are brought, *and enter into the palace of the king.
17 "In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; *you shall make them princes over all the earth.
18 I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another; *
therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

The Epistle: Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my

mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!
The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (11:16-19, 25-30)
All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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)

Post Communion Prayer: BCP, 365 (8:00 am BCP, 339)

Jesus Describes Himself!

Is Christianity based on a book, morality, or principles? Actually, none of the above. Oh, these bear great importance, but our faith rests ultimately on a person, Jesus the Christ. He thus becomes our first priority, and calls us to explore his mind and mystery. He describes himself in today's gospel: "Learn from me....for I am gentle and lowly of heart". Jesus might not have been the greatest physical specimen, but he was spiritual "dynamite". His strength was not in "showboating" but gentle; not self-serving but humble. These flowed from his being the face of love on earth, our own calling. If today you are fearful or desperate, Jesus whispers to you, "Come to me all you who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest."

- Norm Carroll *spiritual summit.net*

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S

Study the Gospel of Mark: 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. We are almost getting ready to finish Mark... Join us for the last few chapters.

The Church Emerging: Join us Monday at 7:00 pm in the chapel to reflect on how the Church rose from the ashes in earlier times to affect our church today.

Sunday Prep! We meet at 9:30 am in the chapel to explore the in-depth meaning of our Sunday proclamations at Eucharist. See you there.

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

9:30 am.

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.

Mothers' Union Meeting: The next Mothers' Union Meeting will be on July 16th after the 10:00 am service in St. Luke's Room.

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 see Chery Hill 954-292-8700.

Interested in Joining Our Healing Team? Training will be held Saturdays, July 15th and July 22nd. Call Anita Pluta for details 954-748-1683

The Dance Team would like to thank everyone for supporting their recent fundraiser. Through your generous donations and support we raised \$1,215.00 to continue the sponsorship of our student at the Rafiki Children's Center in Kenya.

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 Facts: Did you know that the Church Periodical Club has granted funds for children's books to California, North Carolina, Wisconsin, Texas, Arizona, Maryland to far off places like Haiti, Guatemala, Uganda, Honduras, South Africa and the Philippines. Children at St. Luke's Episcopal School in Anthony, New Mexico, children at the Episcopal camp at Wrightwood, California, at St. Martin's Migrant Head Start Program in Dunn, North Carolina at the Hillside Home for children in Pasadena, California, the Episcopal Asian Center in Fresno, California, to the children at the Educare Center of the Holy Spirit Church in Port Elizabeth, South Africa, the Kabale Prep School in Uganda, the El Hogar Project in Honduras and the children at Mi Refugio in Guatemala all have books to read and learn from grants provided by the "Mile of Pennies" Fund.

St. Laurence Chapel Food Run: If anyone is interested in making a few food deliveries to St. Lawrence Chapel please contact Alice and/or Jerry at 954-530-0901. You would need (at least) a small SUV and the deliveries would be made around noon on Monday, July 3rd and 10th.

Spiritual Thought for the week: "Learn to get in touch with the silence within yourself and know that everything in this life has a purpose. There are no mistakes, no coincidences. All events are blessings given to us to learn from." *Elizabeth Kübler-Ross*

Our offerings to God for July 1 and 2, 2017 - Thank you for your generosity!

Operating: \$9,916.51

Building Fund:	\$3,937.00
Total:	\$13,853.51
Operational Costs:	\$9,900.00
<i>Shortage for the week:</i>	<i>\$3,953.51</i>