



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 it known"

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Year B – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year Two
February 24 and 25, 2018

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, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and

moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her." The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Psalm 22:22-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

- 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

The Epistle: Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (8:31-38)

All: GLORY TO YOU, LORD CHRIST

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples,

he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." 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)

Sending out the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: N. (and N.) we send you out to share Communion this week with (names).

People: May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

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.

Jesus Bonds With Us

What did Jesus call himself: Son of God; the Exalted One? No! He refers to himself 85 times as "Son of Man". And this meant nothing more than a human being; that is, he was bonding, identifying, with us. He uses that term in today's gospel, and therein states that he and we must suffer, be rejected, perish, and rise. Our daily pains, and discouragements embody our Calvary, but upon overcoming with courage, patience, and determination, Jesus calls us to rise with him. Notice that resurrection never precedes but always follows Calvary. The reason? Our Calvary proves the authenticity of our love. This love, made genuine, ushers us into the eternal loving presence of God.

- Deacon Norm Carroll spiritualsummit.net

COMING UP @ ST. BENEDICT'S

Pledge Envelopes are here! If you have not as yet picked up your envelopes, please do so today! Envelopes are in the Narthex arranged in numerical order. If you don't remember your number, or don't know your number, please check on the master list which can be found on the easel. Thank you.

Going to the Desert with Jesus! We will be studying the Mothers and Fathers of the Desert with Father Albert starting on February 28th.

Stations of the Cross: Come and Pray the Stations of the Cross every Wednesday during Lent at 6:30 pm and Fridays at noon.

2017 Pledge Statements are on a table in the narthex (entrance of the church). Please pick your up today. If it needs to be corrected, please make a note of the corrections to be made on the statement and return the statement to the office.

Don't forget to fill out your Pledge Cards for your annual PLEDGE to the parish. Everyone is being asked to "step up in faith" and increase their generous giving... We have 269 Pledging individuals and families, with 25 or so still waiting to turn in their cards. Thanks to all who have Pledged for 2018!

The Sacramental Candle is given to the Greater Glory of God and in loving memory of Theresa Dupuis on the 1st Anniversary of her home going from her son, Allan.

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.

Prepare For Eucharist: Join us between Eucharists at 9:30 am Sunday in the chapel to explore the readings of that day. What a great Lenten resolution!

His Ultimate Journey: We shall begin Monday at 7:00 pm a search into the passion and death of Jesus from Gethsemane to Calvary to the Resurrection. Come to the chapel at 6:30 pm for vespers prior to our discussion.

Faith in Music Ministry: We will be listening and studying sacred classical music this Tuesday at 9:30 am.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew: There are a few remaining winners from the Super Bowl 52 fundraiser that need to receive their proceeds. The lucky folks are Ken Chen, Ed Decker, and Richard Konior. Please come and see Kevin Walford by the Video Presentation Laptop.

ATTENTION SENIORS! Applications for the Catherine M. Brown Scholarship are now available. This scholarship is given by the ECW Diocese of Southeast Florida. All applications MUST be turned in by Sunday, March 11, 2018 to Carla Holness, Lorna Edwards, Susan Brillinger or Stacy Gordon of ECW. Please see Pam Sahdev or Sharon Beck to obtain a scholarship application and instructions. Call Carla at 954-309-3298 with any questions.

All Sunday School, Nursery Volunteers and Parishioners who took CPR in 2016 are due for renewal. Those interested should see Cheryl Burley. The class has been scheduled for February 25th following the 10:00 am service and is open to everyone interested. Class includes AED TRAINING and is \$30.

The Special Events Ministry is looking for five dedicated, enthusiastic, and extraordinary people to be welcomed into the ministry! Special Events Ministry meets every second Tuesday of the month. If you are interested, or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Pauletta Superville at (754) 366-8394.

Relay for Life: It's time for Relay for Life! We are in need of volunteers for various committees to help in our fundraising event to "Walk Out Cancer." Plantation Relay is 16 hours in length and each team is asked to have a member on track at all times to signify that CANCER never SLEEPS. Please call Jennease at 954-224-3535 or Felicia 954-701-7292.

Friday Morning Bible Study (9:30 am – 11:00 am) has a special Lenten focus, including repentance and self-examination, prayer, fasting, meditation on God's Word, a Seder and giving alms. Please contact either Alice-Marie Ford or Jerry Mawhinney at 954-530-0901 asap, since we have room for only six more participants. God's grace, love and peace.

Sandwich Sunday is Sunday, February 25th.

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.

Sunday School takes place every Sunday during the 10:00 am Service. Spread the word in our community that we have the best Sunday School around.

The Mission of the month for February is Hope South Florida: Through the Faith In Action program HOPE South Florida provides emergency overnight housing for families & veterans at a local church or hotel, so they are not forced to sleep on the streets while they wait for permanent housing to become available. HSF provides transportation, meals, showers, and other support services to homeless families & veterans recovering from homelessness.

Thought for the Week: *"Man has two great spiritual needs. One is for forgiveness. The other is for goodness."*
- Billy Graham

Our offerings to God for February 17 and 18, 2018 - Thank you for your generosity!

Operating:	10,502.00
Building Fund:	2,040.00
Total:	12,542.00
Operational Costs:	9,900.00
<i>Over Budget for the week:</i>	<i>2,642.00</i>

Thank you for your generosity!