



# 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"***

## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:**

**Year C – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year Two**

**April 16 and 17, 2016**

### **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 of the Day:**

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The First Lesson: Acts 9:36-43**

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

### **Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me***

1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul \*and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \*  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

### **The Epistle: Revelation 7:9-17**

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

### **+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (10:22-30)**

**ALL: GLORY TO YOU LORD CHRIST!**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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: Father Albert R. Cutié**

**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)**

*All baptized Christians who affirm the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church.*

**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).

**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.*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

### **\*ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES – ONGOING FAITH FORMATION**

**\*BIBLE STUDY EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 PM.** Our "Keep the Faith Nights" are a great way to deepen our faith and to reflect in community. Healing Eucharist at 7:00 PM, followed by our in-depth study and reflections on the Word of God. We are studying the Gospel of John.

**\*Resurrection Forever!** What really happened at the resurrection of Jesus? Will resurrection happen to us? Join our amazing "discussion of a lifetime" Monday nights at 7 PM in the chapel.

**\*Faith in Music Ministry:** Tuesdays 9:30 AM. We will be studying Händel's Saul for the next two weeks.

**\*Bible Study on Fridays:** Having completed the Beatitudes, we will take a short break and continue our study of Jesus' **Sermon on the Mount** on May 6. The kind of Christians who actually live the Beatitudes are salt and light to the world. Genuine Christians will have an influence on people around them. D. L. Moody once said, "A holy life will make the deepest impression. Lighthouses blow no horns, they just shine." Please call 954-530-0901 if interested.

**Relay for Life, WE DID IT, WE DID IT - WE REACHED OUR GOAL OF RAISING \$10,000!** Thanks to all who made a difference, we met our goal! Special thank you to the planning team. To our Survivors and Caregivers you will be in our prayers and we will keep fighting together.

**CONFIRMATIONS** will be held April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 PM at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1400 Riverside Dr, Coral Springs, FL 33071. Please join us to support and encourage our new confirmation class. For any information on this special celebration, feel free to contact the parish office.

**FIRST COMMUNIONS AT ST. BENEDICT'S:** We will celebrate First Holy Communion May 1st, 2016, for our children who have been baptized. All children 5-13 are welcomed to participate. There will be a mandatory orientation session given by Father Albert for all children and their parents on April 26, 2016 at 7pm in the Deshaies Hall. Applications will be in the back of the church. If you are interested, please contact Donna Carty via phone 954 801 3814, or email [stbennyouth@gmail.com](mailto:stbennyouth@gmail.com) or the office.

**We will be honoring and praying for all of our graduates** from elementary school through college/university on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. If you have not already sent your information to the office, please do so by WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>. Forms are available on the table at the back of the church.

**Scholarship applications** for the ECW Scholarship, the Chang Family Scholarship and the St. Benedict's Church High School Graduate Scholarship are now available for all graduating Seniors. Please see Cheryl Burley for applications for all scholarships, or individually see Carla Holness (ECW), Jennifer Chang (Chang Family) and Cheryl Burley (St. Benedict's). All applications must be filled out as directed and returned by Sunday, May 8, 2016. Unfortunately, late applications will not be accepted.

**Save the date!!! Vacation Bible School** starts August 8, 2016. We have half days and full days. We need volunteers, donations and your children. Any questions please see Marilyn Benting or contact her at 954-643-2169.

**The Brotherhood of St. Andrew** will have its monthly meeting on Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the 10 am mass in Steven's Hall. Light refreshments and coffee will be served.

**Mission of the Month: God's Little Lambs** is a Christian nursery and pre-school in Broward County. They are dedicated to those underprivileged and homeless families, with sponsorship from various churches and organizations in the Fort Lauderdale area. St. Benedict's has been providing an arts and crafts program for them for the past 14 years. Through your generous donations and God's help, we hope to continue this service.

**The Lacey and Chang Families** would like to thank all of you that participated in the Ossie Smith Memorial fundraiser during the 10:00am Coffee Hour last Sunday. A total of \$705 was raised, all the money was donated to the fund.



**Lifetouch has offered to do portraits for our new members** and all who were not able to have their portraits taken last fall for the new church directory. Portrait sessions will be offered on Friday, April 29th and Saturday, April 30th. Please visit the St. Benedict's website to sign up. We will also have someone after each service to sign you up for your portrait session. Each family or individual will receive a FREE 8 x 10 portrait. You do not have to purchase any additional portraits. **THIS IS YOUR LAST OPPORTUNITY TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY!**

**Mothers' Union High Tea** will be on Sunday, April 24th at 3:00 PM in Deshaies Hall. If you are interested in placing an advertisement in the High Tea booklet, or if you can sell ads for the booklet, please see Blossie Lewis for more information.



**The Usher Ministry** is currently recruiting new members including young adults and teenagers. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact: Barrington Edwards at 954-445-6257, Selvyn Thomas 954-661-7730 or Clayton Johnson 754-366-9134.

**St. Benedicts Luncheon Group** will be dining at Brio Tuscan Grille on Thursday April 28, 2016, \$25.00. The Spring Luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. Reservations by April 24th and there is a meal selection required. Seating is limited so make your reservation early. Call Connie Desko at 954-370-9778.

**Reminder Sandwich Sunday** is the LAST SUNDAY of each month. This month it will be on April 24th.

**Spiritual Thought for the week:** *"The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want..." (Psalm 23)*

**Our offerings to God for April 9 and 10, 2016**

**Operating Fund:** \$7,100.50

**Building Fund:** \$1,431.50

**Total:** \$8,532.00.00

**Weekly Stewardship Update:** There was a shortfall this week of: \$1,371.00.

Please remember the importance of your pledge. We count on your consistent weekly support! Thank you.