



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"

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

Year C – Revised Common Lectionary / Daily Office Year Two

May 7 and 8, 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

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful

for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

Psalm 97 *Dominus regnavit*

- 1 The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; *let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him *and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; *the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *because of your judgments, O LORD.
- 9 For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; *you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; *he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, *and give thanks to his holy Name.

The Epistle: Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen. The Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

+The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (17:20-26)

ALL: GLORY TO YOU LORD CHRIST!

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them." 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

The text "Thank you" is written in a highly decorative, flowing cursive script. The letters are interconnected, with long, sweeping flourishes that give it an elegant and personal appearance. The "T" and "Y" have particularly prominent, circular loops.

FROM FATHER ALBERT'S DESK:

I WANT TO THANK EACH AND EVERY PERSON WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR OSSIE SMITH AC CAMPAIGN... OUR GOAL WAS TO DO THIS IN 90 DAYS AND GET TO \$30,000 BY APRIL 30TH. WE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL AND WENT BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY. OUR FINAL NUMBER (AS OF THIS PAST THURSDAY) WAS \$44,837.00. PRAISE GOD AND MANY THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY. I REALIZE IT WAS A REAL SACRIFICE FOR SOME, BUT GOD IS GOOD! THE EXTRA MONEY WILL BE USED FOR NEEDED REPAIRS ON THE ROOF AND AS A "RESERVE FUND" FOR PHYSICAL PLANT EMERGENCIES, WHICH COME UP MUCH MORE OFTEN THAN WE WOULD LIKE. GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY, **Fr. Albert.**

HEADS OF MINISTRIES: PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING A MANDATORY MEETING WITH FATHER ALBERT ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 18TH FROM 7:30-8:30 PM IN THE DESHAIES HALL. ALL HEADS OF MINISTRIES MUST BE PRESENT PLEASE. THANK YOU!

***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.

***Adult formation will not meet this Monday, May 9.** Don't miss our new dynamic presentation beginning Monday, May 16, 7 PM entitled *Understanding and Living Eucharist!*

***Faith in Music Ministry:** Tuesdays 9:30 AM. We will be studying Bach's Cantatas 146 and 147.

***Bible Study on Fridays at 9:30 am:** 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.

The Sacramental Candle is given to the greater Glory of God by Nicki and John Quinn in loving memory of Theresa Giorello and Edna Quinn. Happy Mother's Day.

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

The Dance Team will be hosting their annual ***Evening of Entertainment*** fundraiser on Saturday, June 11 at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Building Fund and continue sponsorship of our student at Rafiki Children's Center in Kenya. Tickets are \$5 each.

ECW meeting will be held on Sunday, May 15th, not May 8th because of the Mother's Day Celebration. This is an important meeting. All women are welcome and encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Reminder Sandwich Sunday is the LAST SUNDAY of each month. Sandwich Sunday will be May 29th.

Mission of the Month: Marafiki Global AIDS Ministry. Contact: Father John Nganga www.rafikichildrencenter.org. The Marafiki Global AIDS Ministry's Mission is to provide food, shelter, medical care, education, a safe Christian living environment and loving support to children who have been orphaned by HIV/AIDS. The Rafiki Orphanage currently houses 75 children; and, provides education for their kids, as well as those from the surrounding area in Kenya. Please pray for Father John and his ministry.

Military Mass: May 22 at 10 am. St. Benedict's welcomes Dr. Du Hua. He has an incredible story of being born in Vietnam, he fled to the United States. Dr. Du Hua served with squadron VFA-86 aboard USS America CV-66. He authored a book: "The Escapes and my Journey to Freedom". Please extend an invitation to local active duty, veterans and families are invited to attend. Event coordination: kjsteinbauer@comcast.net or 954-514-7340/210-386-9018 or Shelby Decker, 954-494-5810, shelbymdecker@gmail.com

Spiritual Thought for the Week: "For it is in giving that we receive." — **Francis of Assisi**

Our offerings to God for April 30 and May 1, 2016

Operating Fund: \$10,937.76

Building Fund: \$3,956.50

Total: \$14,894.26

Weekly Stewardship Update: Thanks to you, we met our budget last week... Thanks for your generosity!