

Benediction Weekly

August 21, 2016

St. Benedict's Church is an inclusive Christian community that celebrates the divine in all beings, and inspires spiritual growth through joyful sacramental worship, loving service, creative expression, thoughtful inquiry and commitment to social justice.

Annual Jazz Concert Today at 3pm

CALENDAR – This week at St. Benedict's:
(at the church unless otherwise specified)

TODAY

8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
9:20 am – Bible Study
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist w/music
3:00 pm – Jazz Concert

Tuesday, Aug 23

5:30 pm – Vespers, followed by potluck at 6:15

Wednesday, Aug 24

10:00 am – Prayer Circle
7:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, Aug 28

8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
9:20 am – Bible Study
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist w/music
7:00 pm – Film: *"Journey of the Universe"*

St Benedict's 21st Annual Jazz Concert



An exciting mix of Jazz, featuring a tribute to Vibraphone Masters in the styles of Lionel Hampton, Milt Jackson and Cal Tjader.

Also, arrangements of classic American jazz standards that will feature the *Real Time All Stars*.... Bob Bennett, Trumpet; Dave Becker, Saxes; Marshall Otwell, Piano; Dylan Johnson, Bass; and Leader, Darrell Voss, Vibraphone, Drums & Percussion

Complimentary snacks and beverages at the event; wine and beer for sale. Tickets \$25 at the door. Carpooling encouraged.

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Re-register for Ralph's Community Rewards Program September 1st



St. Ben's receives a small percentage of every dollar spent at Ralph's if you enroll your rewards card in their Community Contribution Program. All those who are currently enrolled in the program are required to re-register, on or after September 1st.

Sign in to your online account at www.ralphs.com then go to > Community > Community Rewards-Re-enroll > Type # **83646** > Click on St Benedict's > Click Enroll. If you do not already have an online account, you must first register on the website. If you don't have computer access, please call Ralph's at 1-800-443-4438 for assistance

Serving God and the People of St. Benedict's this Week:

Celebrant: The Rev. Donna Ross; Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall; Eucharistic Minister: Diana Hammerlund; Chalice: Esta Kandarian; Lector: Joan Hayes; Ushers: Alan Kiste & Brian Spolarich; Greeter: Bobbi Shields; Altar Guild: Judy Schloss; Flowers: Bryson McKelvey; Coffee Hour Hosts: Laura & Ron Thompson and Barbara Schippers; Tellers: Bryson McKelvey & Steve Cake; Prayer Team Intercessor: Celeste Pennington; Piano: Ann Lucas

Thank you for your service!



**On-Going
Activities
at St. Ben's**

BIBLE STUDY - Come join us for Bible Study at 9:20 a.m. every Sunday except first Sundays.

DREAMS & SPIRITUALITY GROUP— First and third Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm.

EARTHCARE – A discussion/action group to formulate local solutions to environmental concerns. Second Wednesdays at 2:30 pm.

HEALING SERVICE – a time for prayers for healing at the 10:30 service on 5th Sundays.

HOLLISTER INSTITUTE – Opportunities for stimulating discussion and thoughtful exploration for everyone, whether or not they are members of a church. See website.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE— Prayers for the community and the world. 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10am.

LITLOVERS' BOOK CLUB – Discussion and fellowship. 4th Saturdays 1pm in members' homes.

LUNCH BUNCH – lunchtime social gathering following church, 2nd Sundays at Celia's Garden Café.

MEET ME IN MORRO – lunchtime social gathering, 3rd Tuesdays at varying restaurants in Morro Bay.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – morning social gathering, 2nd Saturdays 9am at Sea Pines Golf Resort Grill.

PEOPLE'S KITCHEN – Providing and serving food at Prado Day Center, 1st Saturday of odd-numbered months.

POTLUCK AND PRADO on the 1st Sunday of each month donations to Prado Day Center are collected, and potluck lunch follows 10:30 service.

VESPERS AND CONVERSATION 5:30 pm Tuesdays. Vespers service using varying liturgies, followed by potluck supper.

VESTRY / PARISH COUNCIL
3rd Thursdays at 6:30pm
Maria Kelly, Sr. Warden
Anne Kanter, Jr. Warden
John Cribb, Francis Rivinus,
Lisa Gonzalez, Barbara Schippers,
Kathie West, Esta Kandarian
Rod Morse and Ken Kenyon.

Season of Creation

Sunday, August 28, at St. Benedict's we begin a six week series of films, book discussion and Sunday "Season of Creation" liturgies and sermons.

Hollister Institute: The New Cosmology and Care for Creation August 28 – Oct. 2, 2016

Introducing the story of the new cosmology we'll show the award winning film, Journey of the Universe* at 7 pm, on **Sunday, Aug. 28**, at St Benedict's, sponsored jointly with Trinity United Methodist Church:

Tuesdays, Aug. 30 through Sept. 27 we'll meet here each week at 7 pm for a book discussion centered on Care for Creation: A Franciscan Spirituality of the Earth** accompanied by other video and film presentations.

Tuesday, Aug. 30, Creation and Incarnation

Tuesday, Sept. 6, Creation and Family

Tuesday, Sept. 13, Creation and Contemplation

Tuesday, Sept. 20, Film: *View from the Center of the Universe* ***

Tuesday, Sept. 27, Creation and Conversion

* **Journey of the Universe: An Epic Story of Cosmic, Earth and Human Transformation;**

Produced by Yale faculty members Mary Evelyn Tucker and John Grim, this film received an Emmy® Award for Best Documentary from the Northern California Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences in San Francisco, June 9, 2012. Created and written by Tucker and evolutionary philosopher Brian Thomas Swimme, the one hour documentary is an epic story of cosmic, Earth, and human transformation.

Over the past two millennia Christians have lived with several shifts in the predominate cosmology. In what ways might the present shift in a cosmological world view impact us today?

** **Care for Creation: A Franciscan Spirituality of the Earth**, by Ilia Delio, Keith Douglas Warner and Pamela Wood, 2008, St. Anthony Messenger Press, may be ordered through Amazon.com (Please use the Amazon link from our website!) Our book discussions will follow its four sections each looking at the theme from three perspectives: science, theology and integration.

*** **The View from the Center of the Universe: Discovering our Extraordinary Place in the Cosmos;** In this 1 hr. video, Joel R. Primack, Ph.D., one of the world's leading cosmologists, and Nancy Ellen Abrams, a cultural philosopher and writer, use recent advances in astronomy, physics, and cosmology to frame an exciting new way to understand the universe as a whole and our role in it. They evoke a compelling new vision of why we matter in the universe and how we might begin to embrace it again and call it home.

We conclude the series with a "hands on" practical session at Trinity United Methodist Church on **Sunday, Oct. 2 at 4 pm**. Presentations and discussions are hosted by Barry Turner, Caro Hall, Bob Pelfrey, John Horsley, Joe Morris and Michael Eggleston.

Keeping in Touch during the Week. For counsel & spiritual care, please contact any of the clergy: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, 704-5826; The Rev. Mary Elizabeth Pratt-Horsley, 528-7497; The Rev. Donna Ross, 235-5117; The Rev. Barry Turner, 784-0670; or The Rev. Faye Hogan, 541-4595. Call Celeste Pennington with pastoral care & prayer chain requests, 771-8974.

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