



**Saint Benedict Episcopal Church**  
**The Fourth Sunday of Easter: The Resurrection of Our Lord**  
**Saturday April 24 at 6pm | Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 8am and 10am**

*Alleluia, Christ is Risen! Welcome to Saint Benedict Episcopal Church, a church that feels like family! We are glad to have you worship with us today. If you are a newcomer, please complete a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate so we can extend our welcome beyond this service. Additional information about Saint Benedict's and our ministries may be found online at [www.saintbenedicts.org](http://www.saintbenedicts.org). Rite I (Sunday 8:00am) of The Holy Eucharist begins on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP); responses in **Red**. Rite II (Saturday 6:00pm and Sunday 10:00am), on page 355 (BCP) The music for the service is taken from The Hymnal 1982 (H-1982) and Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS). Prepare your hearts to celebrate in Word and Sacrament, the Risen Lord.*

## THE GATHERING

Organ Voluntary

Pastorale by Jean Roger-Ducasse

Hymn *sung by all standing*

*Victory*

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*



1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to - ry of life
2. The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their le - gions hath
3. The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es glo - rious from
4. He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from heaven's high por -
5. Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread sting thy serv -



1. is won; the song of tri - umph has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
2. dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
3. the dead: all glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
4. tals fell; let hymns of praise his tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
5. ants free, that we may live and sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

*Antiphon (at the end)*



Opening Acclamation *remain standing*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All:** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*The Celebrant prays:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **All:** Amen.

### **\* (8:00am Rite I) The Decalogue and Kyrie Eleison**

*The Celebrant continues:* Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. **All:** Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

**R/.** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father. **R/.** We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. **R/.** Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. **R/.** For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. **R/.**

by James Chepponis

**\*(8:00am Rite I): said by All:** Glory be to God on high and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect for the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

**\*(8:00am Rite I):** And with Thy Spirit.

*The Celebrant prays:* 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. **All: Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD *the People sit for the reading of God's Word from scripture*

### First Lesson: A Reading from a letter of Acts to the Apostles

Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm Response *1<sup>st</sup> time sung by Cantor; thereafter all*

Psalm 23 (Stewart)



- 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. **R/.**
- 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. **R/.**

- 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 forever. **R/.**

**Second Lesson: A Reading from the First letter of John**

I John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us. Reader: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn** *sung by all standing*

*Dominus Regit Me*

1 The King of love my shepherd is,  
 whose goodness faileth never.  
 I nothing lack if I am his,  
 and he is mine forever.

2 Where streams of living water flow,  
 my ransomed soul he leadeth;  
 and where the verdant pastures grow  
 with Food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,  
 but yet in love he sought me;  
 and on his shoulder, gently laid,  
 and home, rejoicing, brought me.

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John**

John 10:11-18

**All: Glory to You, Lord Christ.** *The Deacon continues:* Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason, the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father." Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

*The hymn continues with verses 4-6*

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill,  
 with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
 thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
 thy cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 Thy unction grace bestoweth;  
 and oh, what transport of delight  
 From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days,  
 thy goodness faileth never;  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

**Sermon** *the People sit*

**Father Albert Cutie, Rector**

**The Nicene Creed** *the People stand for the Profession of Faith*

## The Prayers of the People *led by the Deacon*

In the Easter mystery, God has re-created our world in joy, peace, hope, and light. And so we pray:

That the *joy* of the Risen Christ may inspire the Church throughout the world, and here in our parish community of St. Benedict's, to proclaim, in our work and worship together, the good news of the empty tomb. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the *peace* of the Risen Christ may reign among the nations and peoples of the world, leading them to work together to uphold the sacred dignity of all men, women, and children: Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the *hope* of the Risen Christ may console the troubled, reconcile those who are estranged and alienated, and heal the hurting and suffering among us, especially those that are not able to join us physically. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the *light* of the Risen Christ may shine on the souls of all our deceased relatives and friends, and we remember the benefactors and members of St. Benedict's throughout the years. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

In today's Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Communion in Japan, Saint Anne Nassau, All Souls Miami Beach, Saint Bernard de Clairvaux North Miami Beach

*The Celebrant prays:* Risen Lord and Shepherd of us all, we bring you our hopes and fears, our emptiness, and shortcomings, and exchange them for *your* peace, joy, hope and light. Thank you for hearing our prayer. **All: Amen.**

## The Peace

*Please extend a sign of peace according to social distancing guidelines*

*Celebrant:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**\*(8:00am Rite I): And with Thy Spirit.**

## Announcements *the People are invited to sit*

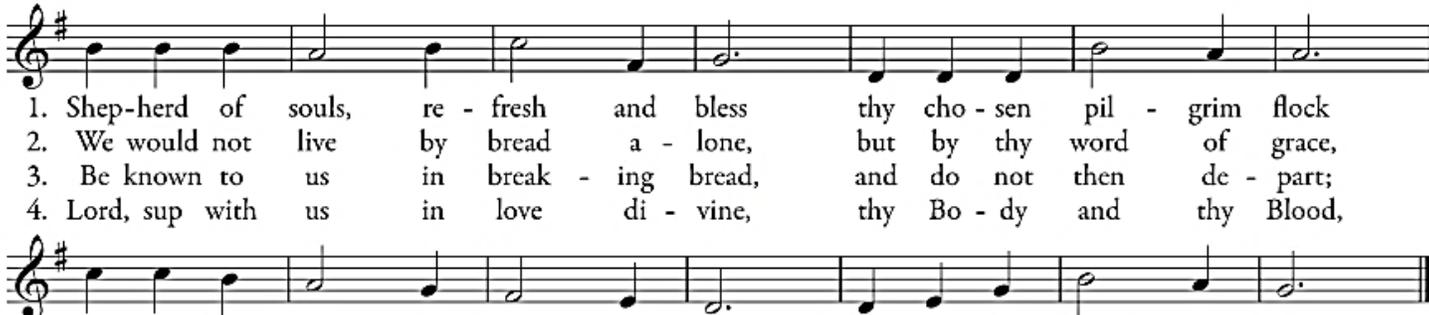
*The people remain seated while an offering is received to support Saint Benedict's work of sharing God's love with the world. Please be generous – we count on your support year-round. Text "give7801" to 1-888-364-4483. You may also make a secure donation online at our website [www.Saintbenedicts.org](http://www.Saintbenedicts.org) or via the Saint Benedict's app.*

## THE LORD'S TABLE – OFFERTORY

*the Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence*

Hymn *sung by all standing*

*St. Agnes*



1. Shep-herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen pil - grim flock  
2. We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy word of grace,  
3. Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not then de - part;  
4. Lord, sup with us in love di - vine, thy Bo - dy and thy Blood,

with man - na in the wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
in strength of which we trav - el on to our a - bid - ing place.  
Sa - vior, a - bide with us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
that liv - ing bread, that heaven - ly wine, be our im - mort - tal food.

Doxology *remain standing, sung by all*

*Laast uns Erfreuen*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Amen!**

## The Great Thanksgiving

The service continues on p. 361 (Rite I on p. 333) of the Book of Common Prayer with the following:

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**All:** We lift them up to the Lord.

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### **\*(8:00am Rite I):**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**All:** And with Thy Spirit.

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**All:** We lift them up to the Lord.

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues with the Preface and Sanctus:

**\*(8:00am Rite I): All:** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts: heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High. +Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people remain standing or kneel as the Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, to which the congregation responds: Christ Has Died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again, and sings: Amen.

**The Lord's Prayer** sung by all standing

**Fraction Anthem at the Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

**All:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

**Agnus Dei** please kneel as you are able

chant Tone I

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

**Prayer of Humble Access** led by the Celebrant

**All:** We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The ministers receive Holy Communion, meanwhile the congregation sings:



1. Chil-dren of the heav-en-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bos - om gath - er;
2. God his own doth tend and nour - ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour - ish;
3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, your pro - tect - or nev - er slum - bers;
5. Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



1. nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en, such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
2. from all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
3. un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
4. at the will of your de - fend - er ev - ery per - son must sur - ren - der.
5. his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

### The Post Communion Prayer *said by all; remain standing*

*All:* Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*(8:00am Rite I):** Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

## THE SENDING FORTH

### The Easter Blessing + and Dismissal

*The Rector pronounces the blessing to which the congregation responds:*

**All: Amen.**

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Organ Voluntary** *the Congregation receives Holy Communion and exits the church*

Sortie by Everett Titcomb

**NOTE:** For your safety, please leave the building following reception of Holy Communion. It is safer to talk outside than to mingle in the building. Please remember to keep social distance at all times and give one another space as you exit through doorways. Please take this order of service away with you and dispose of it yourself. We thank you for worshipping with us today.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 25, 2021

	<p>Join us every Sunday at 11:30am for Kids Church via Zoom led by Dr. Keisha Lyttleton and our Youth Church Team</p>
<p><b><u>COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Day</u></b></p>	<p>Father Albert would like to thank all the volunteers who assisted with our Johnson &amp; Johnson COVID-19 Vaccination drive on Saturday, April 10. Because of you, we were able to provide vaccines to 300 people in our community. A special thank you to Rene Yacinthe for coordinating this effort. For more information on future vaccine distributions, please visit our website at <a href="http://www.saintbenedicts.org">www.saintbenedicts.org</a>.</p>
<p><b><u>Getting and Staying Connected</u></b></p>	<p>Now is a perfect time for members and newcomers to visit our website <a href="http://www.saintbenedicts.org">www.saintbenedicts.org</a> or speak with a member of the ministerial team (Parish Office 954-473-6578) to explore ways to grow deeper in our parish, as well as offer your time, talent, and treasure to support the life of Saint Benedict's. Connection to the parish in the midst of this "season of separation," is bound to bring blessing and faith-based partnership to all those willing to engage. Contact us today.</p>
<p><b><u>Prayer Requests</u></b></p>	<p>At the core of our faith is the practice of prayer, which is especially important in this temporary season of navigating the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to your daily prayers, the clergy and members of pastoral care teams are available to offer prayer support. You may submit your request online at <a href="http://www.saintbenedicts.org">www.saintbenedicts.org</a> or via Parish Administration Ms. Wendy Williams (<a href="mailto:parishoffice@saintbenedicts.org">parishoffice@saintbenedicts.org</a>, 954-473-6578). Prayer requests will be distributed via our prayer e-blast.</p>
<p><b><u>Coffee Hour</u></b></p>	<p>Due to our new 11:30am Spanish Service, there will be no Coffee Hour. Please stay tuned for more information.</p>
<p><b><u>Offering for the Week of April 11, 2021</u></b></p>	<p>Our weekly operating budget is \$10,000, and none of our fixed expenses have changed during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Please be as generous as you can be in your regular pledging and offerings. God bless you!</p> <p><b>Operating: \$4,420.00</b>  <b>Building: \$1,300.00</b>  <b>Online Giving: \$4,515.00</b>  <b>Total: \$10,235.00</b></p>



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Saturday and Sundays: All services “In-person” (10:00 AM Service *ONLINE* and *in-person*)  
To receive Holy Communion in your car – a minister will come to you at Communion time.  
We have a “Communion Lane” on the East Side Church Entrance.

**SUNDAYS: 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST**  
**MONDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM**  
**TUESDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM**  
**WEDNESDAY: HEALING PRAYERS 7:00 PM**  
**THURSDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM**  
**FRIDAY: MIDDAY PRAYER 12 NOON**  
**SATURDAY: 6:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II**  
**(In Church Service and Drive-In Church)**

*Our mission is to know Christ’s love and to make His love known.*

The Reverend Dr. Albert R. Cutie, Rector and Celebrant  
The Reverend Debra McLaughlin, Deacon  
Mr. Xavier W. Richardson, Director of Music & Organist  
Ms. Wendy Williams, Parish Administrator