



Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church
The Fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday
May 7 and 8, 2022 | 6pm, 8am, and 10am

*Welcome to Saint Benedict's 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. The people's responses can be found in **BOLD**. The music for the service is taken from The Hymnal 1982 (H-1982) and Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS). Let us prepare our hearts to celebrate in Word and Sacrament, the Risen Lord.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Rite I of The Holy Eucharist begins on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer - and Rite II begins on page 355.

Organ Voluntaries

Processional Hymn: *Hark! The sounds of holy voices*

Hymnal 275

Opening Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant: 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. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

by William Matthias

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his
peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:

re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the

Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

***(8:00 am):** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: 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.**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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.**

- 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.

A reading from the Book of Revelation

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.**

Gradual Hymn: *The King of love my shepherd is*

Hymnal 646

The Gospel Alleluia

Traditional

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

John 10:22-30

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."

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. *People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

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.**

For peace in Ukraine and for the victims of war. Let us pray to the Lord. **All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Father of life, Author of love, in raising your Son from the grave all of creation has been reborn. May the life and love of the Paschal mystery, which we celebrate today, be a constant and lasting reality in our lives. We ask this through Christ, our Risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Please extend a sign of peace according to social distancing guidelines

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you. *(8:00 am): And with thy spirit.

Announcements

THE OFFERTORY

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. You may also make a secure donation online at our website www.saintbenedicts.org.

Anthem: *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

arr. Virgil Thomson

Offertory Hymn: *My faith looks up to Thee*

Hymnal 691

Doxology

Old Hundredth

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

The service continues on page 361 of the Book of Common Prayer with the following

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

***(8:00 am): And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

***(8:00 am): 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.

***(8:00 am): It is meet and right so to do.**

*The Celebrant continues with the Preface, Sanctus, and Eucharistic Prayer (please kneel as you are able) to which the congregation responds **Christ Has Died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again, and sings: Amen.***

The Lord's Prayer

Fraction Anthem at the Breaking of the Bread

by Douglas Major (b. 1953)

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Agnus Dei

by David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us Thy peace.

*** (8:00 am): Prayer of Humble Access**

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.

Communion Hymn: *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

Hymnal 343

The Post Communion Prayer *said by all*

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Easter Blessing and Dismissal

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father +, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: *Savior, like a shepherd lead us*

Hymnal 708

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Communion Ceremony

There will be a First Communion Ceremony on Sunday, May 15th, at the 10:00 AM Service. In the Episcopal Church all the baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion and a special ceremony is not required for anyone. This traditional service is part of our Sunday School instruction and is practiced by many Anglican/Episcopal churches with the desire of highlighting the importance of something our children already participate in every time they come to the altar. All children and youth are welcome to participate. Please speak to the Sunday School volunteers, on Sundays at 10:00 AM, if you are interested.

Nurses Week and Nurses Day

The Nation will be observing Nurse's Week from May 6-12 and Nurse's Day on May 12. Prayers are being asked for all of the nurses in our parish. We give thanks to God for their dedication, sacrifice and service.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Attention, Saint Benedicts men! We invite you to be part of our next in-person meeting on Sunday, May 15th, after the 10:00 am service in the Conference Room next to the church office. Bring a friend or two.

Through the disciplines of Prayer, Study, and Service, the Brotherhood always aims to bring men and youth closer to Christ.

ECW CPC Facts

Church Periodical Club better known as CPC was founded in 1888. CPC has 2 parts, National Book Fund (NBF) is the first National granting fund of the Church Periodical Club since 1922, this fund helped meet religious and secular needs by providing, printed and Audio-visual materials to individuals, Churches and organizations affiliated with the Anglican Communion.

Grant applications for the National Book Funds are processed after receiving the endorsement of the Episcopal or Anglican Bishop. Contribution in the national book fund is distributed Twice per year by NBF committee.

Miles of Pennies better known as (M.O.P) second part of CPC Facts.....The miles of pennies fund were established in 1988 on 100th birthday of church periodical club. The miles of pennies fund committee awarded the first grant in 1991. The maximum grant given by miles of pennies is \$844.80 which represents one mile of pennies. The grants serve the needs of children from kindergarten through high school where there is a need worldwide providing books and related materials

Please support the National Book Fund and Miles of pennies through our Parishes by donating some pennies and making a donation for National book fund starting May 8th, 2022, to August 28th, 2022.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD:

Online: \$5,205.00
Operating: \$9,719.00
Building: \$2,611.00
Total: \$17,535.00

Thank you for your dedication to your parish, and may God bless you for your generosity.

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SAINT BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA – ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Our mission is to know Christ's love, and to make it known

Nuestra misión es conocer el amor de Cristo y darlo a conocer

Weekly Worship Schedule:

SATURDAYS

6:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (*"Dog-friendly" Service*)

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM (*Rite I*), **10:00 AM** (*Rite II*) y **12:00 PM** (*Misa en español*) **HOLY EUCHARIST**

TUESDAYS

Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAYS

Healing Mass and Litany 7:00 PM

THURSDAYS

Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM

The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector

The Reverend Debra McLaughlin, Deacon

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