



Saint Benedict Episcopal Church The Fifth Sunday in Lent March 25 and 26, 2023 | 6pm, 8am and 10am

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 a formal welcome.

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**.

Prelude:

Processional Hymn: *How Firm a Foundation*

Hymnal 637

The Lenten Acclamation

+ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

His mercy endures forever.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

***(8:00 am Rite1):** Lord, have mercy upon is
Christ, have mercy upon us
Lord, have mercy upon us

Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Let us pray.

Celebrant: Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus

says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD.” So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act,” says the LORD. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 130 *De profundis*

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
for with the LORD there is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: *Breathe on me, Breath of God*

Hymnal 508 Vs.1, 2

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. **The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector

The Nicene Creed

BCP p 358

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

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

Announcements

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is received to support the work and ministry of Saint Benedict's Church. Please be generous! You may also make a secure donation online at our website www.saintbenedicts.org or by simply scanning the QR code below, where you can safely donate to the church.



Offertory Hymn: (6:00 pm) *All My Hope on God Is Founded*

Hymnal 665

Offertory Anthem: *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

1. Jesus walked this lonesome valley,
He had to walk it by Himself.
Oh, nobody else could walk it for Him;
He had to walk it by Himself.

2. Jesus prayed for His disciples,
He prayed alone for you and me.
Oh, nobody else could bear such sorrow;
He prayed alone for you and me.

3. Jesus died on Calvary's mountain,
He died alone for you and me.
Oh, nobody else could die for sinners;
He had to die for you and me.

4. As we walk our lonesome valley,
We do not walk it by ourselves;
For God sent His Son to walk it with us;
We do not walk it by ourselves.
We do not walk it by ourselves.

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 p. 361 (Rite I on p. 333) of the Book of Common Prayer*

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.

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

***(8:00 am):** We lift them up unto the Lord

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

Preface

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

The Great "Amen" – Amen, Amen, Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

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

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 Hymns: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

LEVAS 88 Vs. 1, 2
LEVAS 108 Vs 1, 2, 4

The Post Communion Prayer

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.

Final Blessing:

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn: *Trust and Obey*

LEVAS 205 Vs. 1, 2, 3, 5

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This coming Saturday is our Parish Retreat:

Please join us for a quiet morning of prayer, reflections, and a Q & A with the Rector on Saturday April 1, 2023, 9:00 am-12:30 pm.

Art in the Narthex:

Please take time to contemplate the artwork in the hall. The artist is portraying “The Word of God through Art” and each painting has a QR code explaining what the artist is portraying. Her mission is to bring people closer to God in the modern world. The artist is donating 30% of the proceeds from the sale of the art to the church.

DOK Meeting and Sponsored Lunch:

There will be NO DOK meeting on Saturday, April 1. On Sunday, March 26, 2023, the DOK is sponsoring a lunch after the 10:00 am service. All are welcome to attend.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew:

Attention, Saint Benedict's men! Join us for our next gathering on Sunday, March 26th, after the 10:00 am service at the church 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**.

The Great Watch Sign-Up:

If you would like to sign-up to spend an hour in the Chapel in prayer and meditation for the Great Watch. There is a sign-up sheet next to the Baptismal Font. The Watch will begin at 8:00 pm after the Maundy Thursday service and continues until noon on Good Friday. Please sign up to cover all hours.

Relay For Life is Saturday April 29 at Plantation Central Park from 3PM-10PM. To register for the St. Benedict's team go to

https://secure.acsevents.org/site/STR/RelayForLife/RFLCY23SER?team_id=2650247&pg=team&fr_id=103809

Survivors can register at the above site or www.RelayForLife.org/PlantationSunriseFL and select the option for survivor and follow the prompts to get your survivor shirt. Survivors who would like to register and receive their survivor shirt without online access can call 800-227-2345. Please allow 2 weeks for delivery.

Beginning March 25, please bring in your jewelry donations for our Relay For Life on-site fundraiser.

For questions or more information email Jim Dunmire at dunmirej@bellsouth.net or text or call 954-253-7694.

Chancel Choir:

We are inviting those who would like to help lead our worship and praise of God in song to join our choir. Male and female voices are all welcome to join. Please see Mr. Guy Shepherd after the 10:00 am service for questions or come to the Thursday evening Choir rehearsal at 7:00 pm in the church.

Yoga in the Sanctuary:

We offer this ministry for anyone in the parish and/or the broader community. On Saturdays come and experience “Morning Glory”- start your day fresh and activate your energies. Join us for “Yoga in the Sanctuary” for adults with Nancy Ewers, our instructor. **Classes are every Saturday from 9:30 am to 10:30 am.**

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD:

Online: \$4,118.00

Operating: \$6,781.15

Building: \$1,386.00

Total: \$12,285.15

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



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday - April 1st and April 2nd

Saturday, April 1st at **6:00 pm** with the Procession beginning on the East patio.
 Sunday, April 2nd **8:00 am** Mass with the Procession beginning on the East patio.
 Sunday, April 2nd **10:00 am** Mass will begin in the Memorial Garden
 With a Solemn Procession into the church.
12:00 PM *en español*

Monday and Tuesday of Holy Week - April 3rd and 4th

Mass begins at **8:30 am** on Monday April 3rd and Tuesday April 4th
 The Traditional Chrism Mass with the Blessing of the Oils and Eucharist
 will be at Trinity Cathedral in Downtown Miami at Noon.

Wednesday of Holy Week - April 5th

Stations of the Cross: **6:30 pm.**
 Healing Service: **7:00 pm.**

Maundy Thursday - April 6th

On Thursday (April 6th) there will be no 8:30 am morning Mass.
 The Eucharist with the traditional "Washing of the Feet" will begin at **7:00 pm.**
 The Great Watch will begin Maundy Thursday (April 6th) at 8:00 pm
 and will end at 12:00 PM Noon on Good Friday. Please sign-up to cover all hours.

Good Friday - April 7th

Community Ecumenical Service at Plantation United Methodist Church (April 7th)
 from **12:00-3:00 pm.**
12:00 pm Stations of the Cross in our church
3:00 pm Traditional Good Friday Service with the Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion.
 and the Service of Reconciliation with the Burning of Sins.
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross with youth and children on Good Friday

EASTER Services - April 8th and April 9th

Holy Saturday Night (April 8th) The Easter Vigil will be at **6:00 pm.**
 Baptismal Festival (Children and Adults – and all will be invited to renew their own baptism)
 Sunday (April 9th) Traditional Easter Day Masses will be at **8:00 and 10:00 am.**
 Easter Day Service *en español* will be at **12:00 pm.**
Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 am service

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