

Saint Benedict Episcopal Church The Second Sunday in Lent March 4 and 5, 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 our welcome beyond this service. Additional information about Saint Benedict's and our ministries may be found online at www.saintbenedicts.org. Rite I (Sunday 8:00am) of The Holy Eucharist begins on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP); responses for this service are in red. Rite II (Saturday 6:00pm and Sunday 10:00am), on page 355 (BCP). Congregational responses for all services are found in bold. The music for the service is taken from the blue Hymnal 1982 (H-1982) and the red, green, and black hymnal Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS). Please stand at the introduction of hymns. Prepare your hearts to celebrate in Word and Sacrament, the Holy Eucharist.

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: O Worship the King

Hymnal 388

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

Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Let us pray.

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

Celebrant: O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

Genesis 12:1-4a

The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**.

Psalm 121 Levavi oculos

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *

from where is my help to come?

2 My help comes from the LORD, *

the maker of heaven and earth.

3 He will not let your foot be moved *

and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *

shall neither slumber nor sleep;

5 The LORD himself watches over you; *

the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *

nor the moon by night.

7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *

it is he who shall keep you safe.

8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *

from this time forth for evermore.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: Faith of Our Fathers

Hymnal 558

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

John 3:1-17

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what

is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed BCP p 358

The Prayers of the People

Form III

The Reverend Albert R. Cutié

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 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.

Offertory Hymn (6:00): The God of Abraham Praise Hymnal 401

Offertory Anthem: Prelude in C Major Mark Williamson, Guy Shepherd

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, Aaaamen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrifed 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: Let Us Break Bread Together: LEVAS 152

The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power

Verse 1: The blood that Jesus shed for me Way back on Calvary; The blood that gives me strength From day to day,

It will never lose its power!

Chorus:

For it reaches to the highest mountain And it flows to the lowest valley.

The blood that gives me strength

From day to day,

It will never lose its power!

Verse 2:

It soothes my doubts and calms my fears, And it dries all my tears. The blood that gives me strength From day to day, It will never lose its power!

Chorus:

For it reaches to the highest mountain, It flows to the lowest valley. The blood that gives me strength From day to day, It will never lose its power!

Final Chorus:

For it reaches to the highest mountain, It flows to the lowest valley.
The blood that gives me strength
From day to day,
It will never lose,
It will never lose;
It will never lose its power!

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: Life High The Cross Hymnal 473

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jubilee Center:

Open your heart and use your feet to WALK A MILE for JUBILEE! Jubilee Center's 25th Walk to STOP Hunger is Sunday afternoon, March 5th at 3pm at St. James Episcopal Church, 3329 Wilson Street, Hollywood (one block north of Taft and just west of Park). Food insecurity has increased and unfortunately so have food prices. We need your help more than ever. We provide more than 100 hot, nourishing meals EVERY day, Monday through Friday (that's 2000+ meals a month!!!) and more than 120 full bags of groceries monthly for families in need. We also supply clothing, hygiene kits, mail service, IDs, assistance with Medicaid and S.N.A.P. applications, and FREE laundry service monthly. Please help us keep Jubilee OPEN!! Donor forms available on Usher's table or see Deacon Deb or call Jubilee at 954-920-0106 or email at jubileesouthbroward@gmail.com.

The ECW March meeting

The ECW March Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 12, 2023 in St. Elizabeth's Room, immediately following the 10 am service. While all women are automatically a part of ECW, we welcome EVERY women to attend the meeting as we strive to strengthen this ministry. Refreshments will be served.

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: \$4,250.00 Operating: \$7,786.60 Building: \$260.00 Total: \$12,296.60

Thank you for your dedication to your parish, and may God bless you for your generosity. To sign up for ONLINE GIVING please visit our website and select the "Giving" tab www.saintbenedicts.org



St. Benedict's welcomes you to our Holy Week services:

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.

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 –
Presided by Bishop Eaton - 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 on the sheet in the Chapel

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 will also include the Service of Reconciliation and Burning of Sins.

There will be a 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross Youth Service on Good Friday, April 7th

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 will be baptized – 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**.

Spanish Easter Day Service will be at **12:00 Noon**Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:00 am service.



SAINT BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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), 12:00 PM (Misa en español) Holy Eucharist

TUESDAYS **Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM**

WEDNESDAYS
Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM
Healing Mass and Litany 7:00 PM

THURSDAYS **Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM**

The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector The Reverend Debra McLaughlin, Deacon Ms. Wendy Williams, Parish Administrator

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