



Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church
The Third Sunday of Easter
April 22 and 23, 2023 | 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**.

Prelude:

Processional Hymn: *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done*

Hymn 208 Vs. 1-4

Antiphon: "Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia" before and after every verse

Opening Acclamation

The people standing, the Celebrant says

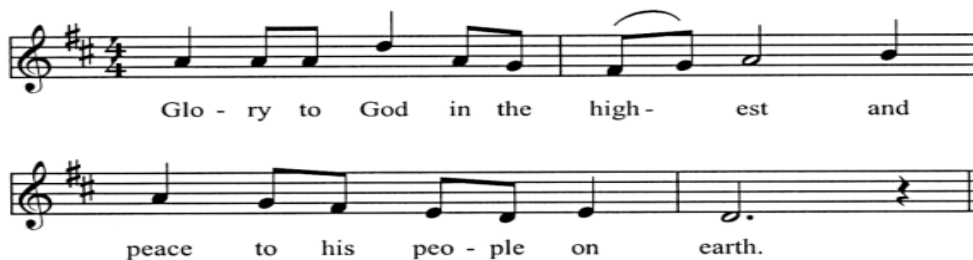
Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People *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 (*Refrain*)

J. Chepponis



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***(8:00 am - Rite I)** 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 takes 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 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 blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17 *Dilexi, quoniam*

- 1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."
- 10 How shall I repay the LORD *
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the LORD *
is the death of his servants.
- 14 O LORD, I am your servant; *
**I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.**
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people,
- 17 In the courts of the LORD'S house, *
**in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!**

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

1 Peter 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: *He is Risen, He is Risen*

Hymnal 180 Vs. 1 & 4

The Gospel Alleluia

Traditional

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

Luke 24:13-35

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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 (Form VI)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God...

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For +Michael our Presiding Bishop, and +Peter our Bishop; and all bishops, priests, deacons and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
(The People may add their own petitions)

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
(Feel free to add your prayers of Thanksgiving)

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray for those celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries this week...

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you. *(8:00 am): And with thy spirit.

Announcements by the Parish Priest / Rector

*An offering is now taken for the work of the parish. Please be generous – We count on your support all year!
Feel free to make a secure donation ONLINE www.saintbenedicts.org and go to “Online giving “or give by clicking on
the QR CODE below... God bless you for your generous support!*



Offertory Hymn: *I Come to the Garden Alone*

LEVAS 69

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

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 unto 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.***

Preface

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. +Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

***(8:00am Rite I):** 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.

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: Nothing But The Blood of Jesus

Verse 1:

MEN: What can wash away my sin?

ALL: Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

MEN: What can make me whole again?

ALL: Nothing but the blood of Jesus!

Chorus: (EVERYONE)

O, precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!

Verse 2.

WOMEN: For my pardon this I see:
ALL: Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
WOMEN: For my cleansing, this my plea:
ALL: Nothing but the blood of Jesus! [*Chorus*]

Verse 3:

CHOIR: This is all my hope and peace,
CONGREGATION: Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
CHOIR: This is all my righteousness,
CONGREGATION: Nothing but the blood of Jesus! [*Chorus*]

Communion Hymn: *It Is Well with My Soul*

LEVAS 188 Vs. 1 & 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 everliving 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: *Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise*

Hymnal 423

The Dismissal

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

Postlude:

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brotherhood of St. Andrew:

Attention, Saint Benedict's men! We invite you to be part of our next in-person gathering on Sunday, April 30th, after the 10:00 am service. Through the disciplines of Prayer, Study, and Service, the Brotherhood always aims to bring men and youth closer to Christ.

Sunday School and Youth Group

Our children and youth are welcome every Sunday at 10:00 AM to join their parents in church, and shortly after the service begins, they depart with our Sunday School teachers and volunteers for Bible activities and our youth program until Holy Communion. We invite you to bring your children and youth every Sunday. A special First Communion and Confirmation program is offered as part of Sunday School. Please speak to the clergy or one of our volunteers.

Confirmation for Youth and Adults

Deacon Debra will be teaching Confirmation Class for all youth and adults who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. Classes will be held following the 10:00 AM service on April 23rd, and May 7th and 21st. Confirmations will be on June 4, 2023 at the 10:00 AM service. Adults who desire to be received as members of The Episcopal/Anglican Church (who have been previously confirmed in the Roman Catholic or Orthodox traditions) should speak to Father Albert or Deacon Debra no later than May 15, 2023.

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 to get your survivor shirt.

Survivors who would like to register and receive their survivor shirt without online access can call 800-227-

2345. 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. You

may make a secure donation using the QR code below:



ECW will be hosting a Faith Walk on Saturday, May 20th at 8:00 am, to raise awareness and funds for the ministry of Madagascar. Parishioner, Jacky Lowe, plans to return to Madagascar soon to provide support to the women and children of Madagascar as she has done for many years. We will have FOOTPRINTS available and are suggesting a donation of \$5.00 or more. We invite you to also join us for our Walk; either to walk or cheer on our walkers, leaving from the church and walking to Liberty Park which is right around the corner. Please see any ECW member if you would like to donate and/or receive a Footprint. We will also be available with our Footprints in the Narthex in the coming weeks. We appreciate your support of this important ministry!

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. The artist is donating 30% of the proceeds from the sale of the art to the church.

Yoga in the Sanctuary:

Classes are every Saturday from 9:30 am to 10:30 am.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD:

Online: \$2,945.00

Operating: \$4,704.00

Building: \$2,698.00

Total: \$10,347.00

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

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