

Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church Fourth Sunday After Pentecost June 24 and 25, 2023 | 6pm, 8am and 10:00am

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.sainthenedicts.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: "Comfort Ye" (from Handel's Messiah)

Lawrence Mammah, Soloist

Processional Hymn: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" Hymnal #680

Opening Acclamation

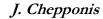
The people standing, the Celebrant says

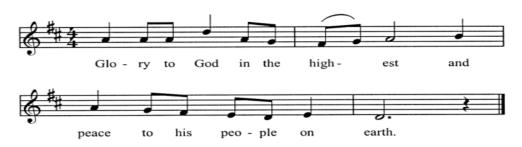
+Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

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)





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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 Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

Genesis 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt. The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 *Inclina, Domine*

- 1 Bow down your ear, O LORD, and answer me, * for I am poor and in misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful; *

save your servant who puts his trust in you.

- 3 Be merciful to me, O LORD, for you are my God; *
 - I call upon you all the day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant, *

for to you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

- 5 For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving, *
 - and great is your love toward all who call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer, *
 - and attend to the voice of my supplications.
- 7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon you, * for you will answer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD, *
 - nor anything like your works.
- 9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O LORD, * and glorify your Name.

10 For you are great; you do wondrous things; * and you alone are God.

16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me; *

give your strength to your servant; and save the child of your handmaid.

17 Show me a sign of your favor,

so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; *

because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

A Reading from Paul Letter to the Romans

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn (6:00 pm): "I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me" (8:00 & 10:00 am): "Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said"

LEVAS #105 Hymnal #675, Vs. 1, 3

+The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew *People:* Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! "So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. "Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

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

Post Gospel Response: "Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said"

Hymnal #675, Vs. 5

Sermon

The Reverend Albert 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...

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. *(8:00 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 (6:00 pm): "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" Offertory Hymn (10:00 am): "Jesus Paid It All"

Hymnal #524 Choir **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.

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.

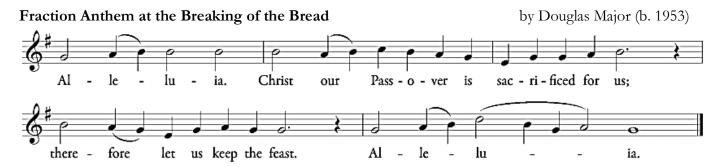
*(8:00 am): We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

Preface

Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer



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: "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"
Communion Hymn: "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

LEVAS #136 LEVAS #138, Vs, 1, 2, 3, 5

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: "The Church's One Foundation" Hymnal #525, Vs. 1, 2, 4, 5

The Dismissal

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

Postlude

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew Invites you to a BBQ GRILL OUT after the 10:00 am Sunday service on June 25th. We will BBQ, delicious Austin burgers, and Yummy hotdogs. We are cooking outdoors and eating indoors in Deshaies Hall.

DOK Meeting: The Ann Saunders Chapter of the Daughters of the King will be having a Chapter Meeting on Saturday, July 1, 2023 at 10:00am in Stevens Hall.

We are including a link for anyone who would like to help our beloved parishioner, Paulette Clarke, who has received extensive damage to her home and lost all her belongings after a lightning strike to her home. We are grateful that Paulette was not harmed. Her neighbors rushed to help and made sure she was aware of the fire. We invite those who would like to lend a helping hand to use this gofundme.com link: https://www.gofundme.com/f/restoring-paulettes-home?utm_campaign=p_cp+share-sheet&utm_medium=copy_link_all&utm_source=customer

Mission of the Month: Haiti Comfort House.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD:

Online: \$2,988.72 Operating: \$2,273.00 Building: \$105.00 Total: \$5,366.72

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.

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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
Healing Mass and Litany 7:00 PM
Bible Study 7:30 PM

THURSDAYS **Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM**

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