



Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 7 and 8, 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.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**.

Voluntary: Prelude William H. Harris (1883-1973)
Processional: Hymn 495 Hail, thou once despised Jesus! In Babilone
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: Melodic Gloria James J. Cheppanis



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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: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitant of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

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

Psalm 80:7-14 *Qui regis Israel*

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *

show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *

you cast out the nations and planted it.

9 You prepared the ground for it; *

it took root and filled the land.

10 The mountains were covered by its shadow *

and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *

and its branches to the River.

12 Why have you broken down its wall, *

so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *

and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;

behold and tend this vine; *

preserve what your right hand has planted.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence: Hymn 313

Let thy Blood in mercy poured

Jesus, meine Zuversicht

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

Matthew 21:33-46

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

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

Sermon

The Reverend Robert Deshaies

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 for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence (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.

Silence (The People may add their own thanksgivings)

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 (The People may add their own petitions)

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 Song:

Here I am, Lord

Dan Schutte (b. 1947)

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry,
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright,
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? REFRAIN

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Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain,
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them, Whom shall I send? REFRAIN

3. I, Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? REFRAIN

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

Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

Fraction Anthem at the Breaking of the Bread 1953)

Douglas Major (b.

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

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 335

I am the Bread of Life

Suzanne Toolan (1927-)

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: LEVAS 43

Because He Lives

Gloria & William Gaither

The Dismissal

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

Voluntary:

Epilogue

Norman Gilbert

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention all children, youth and families! Please join us for Sunday School for all children and youth from Pre-School to High School. All are welcome.

There will be a Mothers' Union Meeting on Sunday, October 8, following the 10:00 AM Service in St. Luke's Room.

The ECW (Episcopal Church Women) will hold its October meeting this Sunday, October 8th in St. Elizabeth's Room immediately following the 10:00 AM service. All women are part of ECW and we encourage all women of St. Benedict's to join us as we continue to grow this ministry! Refreshments will be served.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew: Attention, Saint Benedict's men! We invite you to be part of our next in-person gathering on Sunday, October 15th, 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.

Children's Sunday will now be held via Zoom. Due to circumstances beyond their control, the church that was hosting Children's Sunday cannot do it in person. Here is the information if you'd like to join the celebration via Zoom: Sunday, October 15th at 4:00 PM.

FREE CELEBRATION ON ZOOM

zoom signon information

[https://zoom.us/j/9717711633?](https://zoom.us/j/9717711633?pwd=WFYvcUpMeGFmOHFvcFcvS2R0SU9hQT09)

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Meeting ID: 971 771 1633 - Passcode: 248994

COME ONE, COME ALL! on Saturday, October 21st. The whole church family is invited to participate in the primping of the Church grounds. Bring your garden tools – rakes, loppers, clippers, GLOVES, etc. and help make our Church beautiful. The fun begins at 8:00 AM and refreshments will be available.

Choir rehearsals take place on Thursdays at 7:00 PM in the church. If you are interested in joining the Choir please come to rehearsal or see Daniel, our Choirmaster and Organist, for more information.

October Mission of the Month is Kairos Outside Ministry.

Kairos Outside works with woman who have a loved one that is incarcerated. Many of these guests feel isolated, ashamed, angry, hopeless.... The weekend showers them with love, assists them in how to deal with their emotions and reinforces that they are not alone. Kairos Outside, will be held at the Hawthorne Suites 301 Lambertson Dr, West Palm Beach, Fl 33401 Friday October 20, 2023 – Sunday October 22, 2023.

The following in is needed:

Prayer

Drivers to pick up women in the Ft. Lauderdale and Hollywood area and drive them to Hawthorne Suites.

Day Angels – Working behind the scenes preparing meals and decorating.

Monetary Contributions to help pay for the hotel accommodations and food.

To assist, please contact Karen Froniewski 954-292-0068 kfroniewski2@gmail.com, or any member of the Mission Ministry posted in Breeze, and above the Mission Box at the back of the church where your financial donations may be made. Thank you for your support.

UTO 2023 is Here! Please pick up your little BLUE box or envelope after each service today. Please pray and make your donations into the boxes until the week ending December 2nd and 3rd, 2023.

Please join us for the Healing Service on Wednesdays in-person at 7:00 PM in the church.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD:

Online: \$5,549.21

Operating: \$5,778.16

Building - Maintenance: \$1,990.00

Total: \$13,317.37

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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