



**Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church**  
**Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**November 4 and 5, 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](http://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

Trio

*Henry Smart (1813-1879)*

Processional: Hymn 688

A mighty fortress is our God

*Ein feste Burg*

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 merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

### A Reading from the Book of Micah

*Micah 3:5-12*

Thus says the LORD concerning the prophets who lead my people astray, who cry "Peace" when they have something to eat, but declare war against those who put nothing into their mouths. Therefore it shall be night to you, without vision, and darkness to you, without revelation. The sun shall go down upon the prophets, and the day shall be black over them; the seers shall be disgraced, and the diviners put to shame; they shall all cover their lips, for there is no answer from God. But as for me, I am filled with power, with the spirit of the LORD, and with justice and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression and to Israel his sin. Hear this, you rulers of the house of Jacob and chiefs of the house of Israel, who abhor justice and pervert all equity, who build Zion with blood and Jerusalem with wrong! Its rulers give judgment for a bribe, its priests teach for a price, its prophets give oracles for money; yet they lean upon the LORD and say, "Surely the LORD is with us! No harm shall come upon us." Therefore because of you Zion shall be plowed as a field; Jerusalem shall become a heap of ruins, and the mountain of the house a wooded height. **The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 43: Judica me, Deus

### Anglican Chant

S 229

R. Goodson  
(1655-1719)



- 1 Give judgment for me, O God,  
and defend my cause against an ungodly people; \*  
deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.
- 2 For you are the God of my strength;  
why have you put me from you? \*  
and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?
- 3 Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, \*  
and bring me to your holy hill  
and to your dwelling;
- 4 That I may go to the altar of God,  
to the God of my joy and gladness; \*  
and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O God my God.
- 5 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? \*  
and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 6 Put your trust in God; \*  
for I will yet give thanks to him,  
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

## A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

You remember our labor and toil, brothers and sisters; we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you believers. As you know, we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, urging and encouraging you and pleading that you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory. We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence: Hymn 530          Spread, O spread, thou mighty word**

*Gott sei Dank*

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

*Matthew 23: 1-12*

*People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, "The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat; therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach. They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them. They do all their deeds to be seen by others; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long. They love to have the place of honor at banquets and the best seats in the synagogues, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have people call them rabbi. But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all students. And call no one your father on earth, for you have one Father-- the one in heaven. Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Messiah. The greatest among you will be your servant. All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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 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.***

Today, in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

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](http://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

### On Eagle's Wings

*Michael Joncas (b. 1951)*

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord who abide in His shadow for life  
Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

### Refrain

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings, bear you on the breath of dawn  
Make you to shine like the sun and hold you in the palm of His hand

2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you and famine will bring you no fear  
Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. Refrain

You need not fear the terror of the night nor the arrow that flies by day  
Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. Refrain

3. For to His angels He's given a command to guard you in all of your ways  
Upon their hands they will bear you up lest you dash your foot against a stone

## 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

The Lord's Prayer

*Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)*

Fraction Anthem at the Breaking of the Bread

*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

*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.**

LEVAS 146

Break thou bread of life

*Lathbury/Sherwin*

*Plus, verse 4:*

4. O send your Spirit now, dear Lord, to me,  
that he may touch my eyes and make me see.  
Show me the truth made plain within your Word,  
for in your book revealed I see you, Lord.

**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 189**

**Great is thy faithfulness**

*Faithfulness*

**The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Voluntary:**

**Epilogue**

*Norman Gilbert (1912-1975)*

**NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Sacramental Candle** is given to the greater glory of God and in memory of Joe Cortese from the 6 p.m. church family.

**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.

**Please join us for the Healing Service on Wednesdays** in-person at 7:00 PM in the church. Following the service please **Join us for Bible Study** at 7:30 PM. We are studying The Gospel of Mark. All are welcome!

**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.

**November Mission of the Month is Seafarers' House:** Seafarers' House is a multi-faith and hospitality center for crew members of ships that visit Port Everglades. Seafarers spend months at a time, year after year, away from their family and friends. The work is hard and hours are long. Seafarers' House offers a small store, free transportation, internet access, access to multi faith clergy and safe money transfer services. They are open throughout the year as a safe, friendly place where mariners can connect to their families, relax, learn about the community and get emergency help if needed.

**Volunteer Opportunities:** Administrative Assistance, Chaplains, Greeters, Shoebox Christmas Donation Drive, Shoebox Christmas box packing, Ship Visitors, Special Events and Projects Volunteers, Community Ambassadors/Speakers, SFH Cleaning and Maintenance, Drivers.

Volunteer forms are located above the Mission box at the back of the church. For additional information contact Seafarers' House Email: [erica.s@seafarershouse.org](mailto:erica.s@seafarershouse.org) Seafarers House is located at 1800 SE 32<sup>nd</sup> St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316 954-734-1580.

**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.

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD:**

Online: \$4067.03

Operating: \$6,138.10

Building - Maintenance: \$298.00

Total: \$10,503.13

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**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

**Healing Mass and Litany 7:00 PM**

**Bible Study 7:30 PM**

THURSDAYS

**Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM**

**The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector**  
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