



Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church  
The Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus  
December 30 and 31, 2023 | 6pm, 8am and 10

*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: *Das Alte Jahr* (The Old Year has Passed) *Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

Processional: Hymn 89 *It came upon the midnight clear* *Carol*

### Acclamation

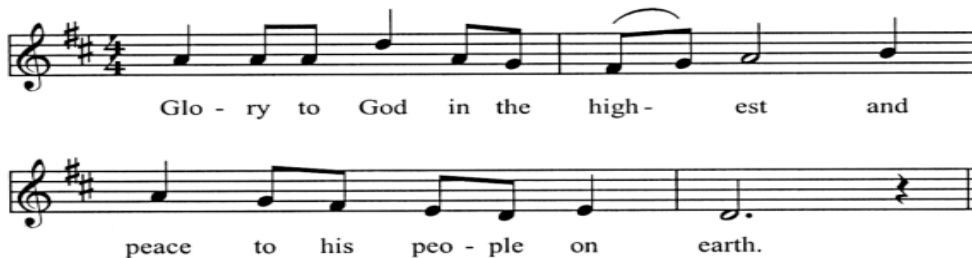
*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

+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 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 am) And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant:* Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

### A Reading from the Book of Numbers

**Numbers 6: 22-27**

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them. The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 8 *Domine, Dominus noster*

1 O LORD our Governor, \*

**how exalted is your Name in all the world!**

2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \*

**your majesty is praised above the heavens.**

3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*

**to quell the enemy and the avenger.**

4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*

**the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**

5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*

**the son of man that you should seek him out?**

6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*

**you adorn him with glory and honor;**

7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*

**you put all things under his feet:**

8 All sheep and oxen, \*

**even the wild beasts of the field,**

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*

**and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.**

10 O LORD our Governor, \*

**how exalted is your Name in all the world!**

**A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians**

*Galatians 4: 4-7*

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God. The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God*

**Sequence Hymn: Hymn 324**

**Let all mortal flesh keep silence**

**Picardy**

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

**Luke 2:15-21**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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 the Anglican church of Rwanda.

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 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 Hymn (6 pm, 8 am, 10 am)

Hymn 105

God rest you merry, gentlemen

*God Rest You Merry*

*Doxology*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow**

*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 am): And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**\*(8 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 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 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: Hymn 115**

What Child is this, who laid to rest

Greensleeves

**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 am 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 99**

Go tell it on the mountain

*Spiritual*

**The Dismissal**

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

**Voluntary: Noel no. 10**

Louis-Claude D'Aquin (1694-1772)

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Flowers and Music donation, Musicians

### Thank-you Robert Strusinski, who is serving as today's Organist.

**Attention all children, youth, and families!** Sunday School classes and Nursery will resume Classes will resume on January 14, 2024.

**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.

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](http://www.saintbenedicts.org)





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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**

THURSDAYS

**Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM**

**The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector**  
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**Ms. Linda Schlepp-Gray, Parish Administrator**

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