

# Saint Benedict's Episcopal (Anglican) Church The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 20 and 21, 2024 | 6pm, 8am, and 10am

Welcome to Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church, a church that feels like family! We are glad to have you worshipping 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.

Voluntary Palace Beautiful Richard Shephard (1949-2021)

Processional Christ is made the sure foundation Hymn 518

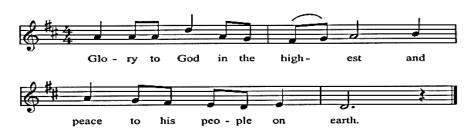
Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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 Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is `the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved." The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.** 

# Psalm 23 Dominus regit me



- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*

  I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \* and leads me be side still waters.
- 3 He re'vives my soul \*
  and guides me along right pathways for his Näme's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
  I shall fear no evil; \*
  for you are with me;
  your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \* you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \* and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

# A Reading from the First Letter of John

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us. The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.** 

# +The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

John 10:11-18

# People Glory to you Lord Christ!

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord. People Praise to you Lord Christ!

# Sermon (Homily)

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, Peter our Bishop, Father Albert our Rector, Deacon Deb, our retired clergy, 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;

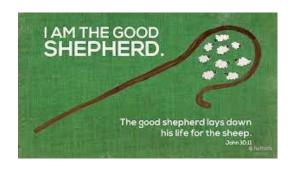
Who put their trust in you.

Today, in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember the Anglican Church of Australia.

We pray for those celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries this week (Feel free to add names silently or aloud).

#### The Peace

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



## Announcements by the Rector

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 \*(6pm & 8am)

## The King of love my shepherd is

Hymn 646

# Offertory Anthem (10am)

#### Lord of the Dance

arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, And I came down from heaven And I danced on the earth, At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Dance, then, wherever you may be, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,

And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
But they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John —
They came with me and the Dance went on.

I danced on the Sabhath and I cured the lame; The holy people said it was a shame. They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high, And they left me there n a Cross to die.

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black — It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.

They buried my body and they thoaught I'd gone,
But I am the Dance, and I still go on.

They cut me down and I leapt up high; I am the life that'll never, never die; I'll live in you If you'll live in me — I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

#### 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.

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.

\*(8am) And with thy spirit.

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

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

## Sanctus

#### The Lord's Prayer

## Fraction Anthem at the Breaking of the Bread

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.

## \*(8am) 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

The Lord is my Shepherd

LEVAS 104

#### 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.

## \*(8am 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.

## The Blessing +

#### Recessional Hymn

#### Power in the Blood

Would you be free from the burden of sin? There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood; Would you o'er evil a victory win? There's wonderful pow'r in the blood.

#### Refrain

There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder-working pow'r In the blood of the Lamb; There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder-working pow'r In the precious blood of the Lamb. Would you be free from your passion and pride? There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood; Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide—There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. [Refrain]

Would you be whiter, yes brighter than snow? There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood; Sin-stains are lost in its life-giving flow— There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. [*Refrain*]

Would you do service for Jesus, your King? There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood; Would you live daily His praises to sing? There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. *[Refrain]* 

#### The Dismissal

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

Voluntary Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

#### **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Brotherhood of St. Andrew Monthly Meeting will be held in the Rector's Conference Room on Sunday, April 22, after the 10am Service. All men and youth are invited to attend and to bring a friend or two.

April 2024 Mission of the Month

We are blessed to have a member of St. Benedict's serve as a missionary to Madagascar, Jacky Lowe. Please join her in empowering the women of Madagascar to overcome poverty through the love of Jesus Christ. Jacky works with the Women's Center in Toliara where the women make crafts, Days for Girls sanitary kits, embroider Clergy shirts and stoles, and cook for workshops and events at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

## How can you help?

- Donate to the Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders, SAMS, an organization that prepares and send missionaries to spread the gospel all over the world. Use the PINK envelopes in the Narthex to write a check and place in the mission box or go to <u>samsusa.org</u> and click on missionaries and follow the instructions.
- Sponsor a child to attend school or help provide water filters through the non-profit organization, Education = Hope.
  - o **Sponsoring a child to attend school is \$30/month.** Go to <u>www.educationequalshope.org.</u> click on the menu at the top right and choose Madagascar or use the Blue Envelopes in the Narthex.
  - o A water filter costs \$50. To donate for the water filter go to <a href="https://educationequalshope-bloom.kindful.com/?campaign=1296666click">https://educationequalshope-bloom.kindful.com/?campaign=1296666click</a> or use the Blue Envelopes in the Narthex.
  - Please make checks payable to Education = Hope and indicate "sponsor child" or "water filter" in the Memo area.

# For additional information contact Jacky Lowe at 954.684.5450

• Participate in the ECW Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, April 27 – please meet in front of the church at 9am. "Footprints" will be available in the Narthex after service if you wish to make a donation. These donations will assist Jacky Lowe as she travels back to Madagascar. Please contact Carla Holness at 954.309.3298 or <a href="mailto:cholness618@gmail.com">cholness618@gmail.com</a> to learn more about the ECW's effort to support Jacky.



**Attention all children, youth, and families!** Please join us for Sunday School for all children and youth from Pre-School to High School during the 10am service. All are welcome.



## Friday morning Bible Study

**9:00am-10:30am.** The group is studying the Old Testament books of Ezra, Nehamiah, and Esther. Everyone is invited to join us in the Church Conference Room.

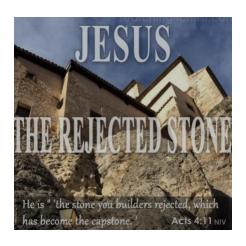
**A gentle reminder:** Please pick up your Contribution Statements and Offertory Envelopes located in the Narthex.

#### LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD – IN PERSON AND ONLINE

Operating: \$9,367.54 Building Maintenance: \$2,669.53 Total: \$12,307.09

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

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We pray for the success of our Capital Campaign:
May this be a time of generous and sacrificial giving,
that we may all work together to build an enduring legacy of faith for future generations.
We ask this in the most Holy Name of Jesus Christ our Lord.



## SAINT BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Our mission is to know Christ's love, and to make it known

## Weekly Worship Schedule

**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

FRIDAYS

Bible Study 9:00 AM (Rector's Conference Room)

The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector The Reverend Debra McLaughlin, Deacon Ms. Linda Schlepp-Gray, Parish Administrator Dr. Daniel Copher, Organist and Choirmaster

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