



Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church
Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 31 and September 1, 2024 | 6pm, 8am, 10am

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.

Processional

Praise to the living God

Hymn 372

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*)

J. Chepponis

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and
peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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***(8am - 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.

***(8am)** And with thy spirit.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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 Deuteronomy**Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9**

Moses said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children. The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15 *Domine, quis habitabit?*

(Spoken)

- 1 LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the LORD.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

A Reading from the Letter of James**James 1:17-27**

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world. The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn**Before thy throne, O God, we kneel**

Hymn 574

People **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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

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, +Sean our Presiding Bishop-Elect, and +Peter our Bishop; Father Albert our Rector, Deacon Deb, our retired clergy, and all 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 our missionary Jacky, and for our partner churches, St. Michaels and All Angels, and the Women's Center in Madagascar.

Today in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember the Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola.

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 with you.

People **And also with you.**

***(8am)** **And with thy spirit.**

Announcements by the 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 at 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	Lord, I Want to Be a Christian	LEVAS 138
Doxology	Praise God from whom all blessings flow	Old Hundredth

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

***(8am)** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

***(8am)** 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.**

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

Preface

Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer

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 Clark Isele (1946-2016)

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	Great is thy faithfulness	LEVAS 189
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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

God will take care of you

LEVAS 183

The Dismissal

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

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The clergy need your help! If you know of anyone from our parish family who has a sudden hospitalization, is sick, shut-in at home, or is at a rehab facility, please take a moment to call the parish office and leave us a detailed message with the name and phone number we can use to reach out. The Rector can be reached 24/7 at: **954-473-6578 ext. 2**. Sometimes we may already be aware, but other times we hear from some parishioners only many days later. We would like to pray and possibly visit those who need us in a timely manner. Thank you for your assistance.

Spread the word! Sunday School for all children and youth begins on Sunday September 8th at 10:00 AM. Bring your children and youth to the knowledge and love of God's Word... All are welcome!

**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

**Starting: September 8
Sunday School
at 10:00am**



Rafiki AIDS Ministry (Kenya)

A ministry of Marafiki Global AIDS Ministry USA

August Mission of the Month: Marafiki

Marafiki Global AIDS Ministry is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide food, clothing accommodations, education, medical care, a safe Christian environment, and loving support to children worldwide who are affected by HIV/AIDS, specifically to the Rafiki Children's Center in Kikuyu town, Kenya. More information about the Ministry will be provided throughout the month. For questions, please contact Alicia Kelley or any member of the Mission Ministry. Alicia.kelley@bellsouth.net or 954-439-0666.



Team St. Benedicts is up and running and participating in **NamiWalks 2024**. NamiWalks is about people who think nothing of giving *everything* - their time, their stories, their heartfelt dedication to the cause: **Mental Health for All**. Last year was a great fellowship time at the event and we are hoping for the same level of enthusiasm this year. Please use the following link to join the team and or financially support our endeavor: www.namiwalks.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.team&teamID=67232

The deadline to register or provide financial support is October 5, 2024
For additional information please contact Alan Dupuis at (954) 682-4130

Volunteer Opportunities

Jubilee Food Pantry (St. Ambrose) 2250 SW 31st Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, Fl 33312
Wednesdays 11am -2pm - Food Bag Assembly
Saturdays 9am -12 noon - Food Bag Distribution
Contact Jubilee at 954-920-0106 for additional times



Jubilee Food Pantry Needs

Cereal, Pasta (12 or 16oz), Spaghetti Sauce, Peanut Butter and Jelly
Canned Beans, Vegetables, Tuna, Soup, Fruit
Donation Bins are located in the Narthex

Seafarer’s House Positions Drivers, Ship Visitors, Administration Assistance
Contact Erica Sears 561-517-3062



The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 2, 2024
The Office will reopen on Tuesday, September 3 at 8:30am

LAST WEEK’S OFFERING TO GOD – IN PERSON AND ONLINE

Operating \$7,544.98
Building Maintenance \$2,416.22
Total \$9,961.20

Thank you for being so dedicated to your parish, and may God bless you for your generosity.

To sign up for ONLINE GIVING please visit our website and select the “Online Giving” tab.

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OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Oh God of Love, you have brought together from many nations the people of our parish family of Saint Benedict’s. We thank you for the countless gifts which your Holy Spirit bestowed upon this community of faith.

We pray for the success of our Capital Campaign: May this be a time of generous and sacrificial giving, so 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

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**

MONDAYS

Bible Study 7:00 PM (Rector's Conference Room)

TUESDAYS

Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAYS

Healing Mass and Litany 7:00 PM

THURSDAYS

Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM

FRIDAY

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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