



Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 28 and 29, 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

All creatures of our God and King

Hymn 400

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.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 Esther

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-- and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen. Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated. Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor. The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 124 *Nisi quia Dominus*

(10 a.m. ~ sung by the choir)

1. If the Lord had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
2. If the Lord had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
3. Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
4. Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
5. Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
6. Blessed be the Lord! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
7. We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
8. Our help is in the Name of the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

A Reading from the Letter of James

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins. The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

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

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

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, 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 Church of Pakistan.

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

How great thou art

LEVAS 60

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

Sweet hour of prayer

LEVAS 178

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

Leaning on the everlasting arms

LEVAS 196

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.



Attention all children, youth, and families! Please join us for Sunday School during the 10am service. All children and youth (pre-school through High School) are welcome.



Celebration of the Feast of Saint Francis

Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 5, 2024

6pm Service

ALL animals are welcome to receive a special blessing



October is Clergy Appreciation Month

St. Benedict's will celebrate Father Albert and Deacon Debra

Sunday, October 6, 2024

Brunch/Luncheon in the Deshaies Hall after the 10am Service



Please show your support for Mental Health for All

We are less than a month away from this year's NamiWalks 5 K walk on **October 5, 2024, at Nova University**. Please consider joining **Team Saint Benedict** by getting pledges from your circle of acquaintances or pledging your support to the existing team. You can access the website at NAMI.org and search for team St Benedict's. Contact Alan Dupuis at 954.682.4130 for additional information.



Romans Chapter 8 (6 Week Study)
Beginning Friday, October 11 at 9am and Monday, October 14 at 7pm
Rector's Conference Room

Romans Chapter 8 is one of the most assuring chapters in the Bible for our salvation. The first words proclaim, *"there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus"* and the last verse of the chapter promises *"no separation from the love of God"*.



October 2024 Activities

Monthly Meeting

October 13 - St. Elizabeth's Room after the 10am service

Diocese of Southeast Florida Fall Deanery Meeting

St. Benedict's Episcopal Church


Saturday, October 19, 2024

9am – 12noon

Morning Prayer, Dynamic Speaker, Voting for Distinguished Woman of the Year and Fellowship

Questions: Contact Carla Holness at cholness618@gmail.com or 954.309.3298

St. Benedict's
International Cuisine



Please join us at St. Benedict's on
Sunday, October 27, 2024, in Deshaies Hall
following the 10 am Mass

For our Annual International Cuisine Sponsored by the
Mothers' Union.

Please bring a dish from your country of origin
And dress accordingly.

The cost will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12
and under. Please donate to a worthy cause.

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

Operating \$7,019.02

Building Maintenance \$1,616.26

Total \$8,635.28

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

DIOCESE OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA – ANGLICAN COMMUNION

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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