



Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church
The Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 14 and 15, 2026 | 6pm, 8am and 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

Guide me, o thou great Jehovah

Hymnal 690

The Lenten Acclamation

✠ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures forever.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy **All Lord have mercy**
Christ have mercy **All Christ have mercy**
Lord have mercy **All Lord have mercy**

The Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you.
And also with you. *(8am) And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

A Reading from the First Book of Samuel

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse,

“The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah. The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

(10am~Chanted by the Choir)

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name'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 Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Jesus, Remember Me

Taizé

*Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.*

*Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.*



People Glory to you, Lord Christ

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

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

Sermon**Father 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 I)

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "**Lord, have mercy.**"

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Benedict - our patron - and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

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

We pray for St. Michael and All Angels Church our partner churches in Madagascar and our Missionary, Jacky.

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

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. *People* **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)

Hail to the Lord's anointed

Hymnal 616

Offertory Anthem (10am)

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

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

Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

Fraction Anthem at the Breaking of the Bread

said during Lent

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

My God, thy table now is spread

Hymnal 321

The Post Communion Prayer during Lent

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth a people,
forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

✠ The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

God will take care of you

LEVAS 183

The Dismissal

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

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

10am Service

ALL children and youth are WELCOME to participate in this year's exciting program

A safe and private communication group has been created for the Sunday School parents

It will serve as secure space to share important updates, weekly lesson updates, event reminders and any schedule changes related to the children's ministry

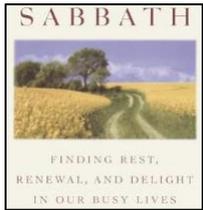
Parents – please see Karla if you wish to be part of this group



Stations of the Cross

6:30pm | Wednesdays

12 Noon | Fridays



Wednesdays in Lent

Sabbath by Wayne Muller 7pm – 8pm

In the Church

March Mission of the Month

Missionaries of the Poor

The **Missionaries of the Poor** is a Roman Catholic monastic religious institute of Brothers and Sisters dedicated to "*Joyful Service with Christ on the Cross*" to serve the poorest of the poor.

You are encouraged to place a monetary donation in the Mission Box



Relay for Life Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 29 | 8am – 12 noon | Deshaies Hall

Pancakes, eggs, sausage, and a beverage

Adults \$15 | 12 and under \$10

Tickets available after each service



Sponsored by Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Episcopal Church Women, Mothers Union and Mission Team

Seafarers House

Ship Visit March 26 | 10am

We will leave the church at 9:30am or you may meet the group at Seafarers at 10am

Please Contact Allan 954.682.4130 for additional information



Good Friday Fish Fry

April 3 | Deshaies Hall

Accepting pre-orders with a 50% deposit

See Flyer in Narthex for details

Easter Flowers and Music

We invite you to make a contribution in memory of, or in thanksgiving for, your loved ones

Your gift will help provide beautiful flowers and special music that will make St. Benedict's Easter celebration extraordinary.

Please ask the Ushers for an Order Form

Please submit your requests by Friday, March 27, so that we can include your name in the Easter bulletin. With gratitude for your generosity.



LAST WEEK'S OFFERING TO GOD

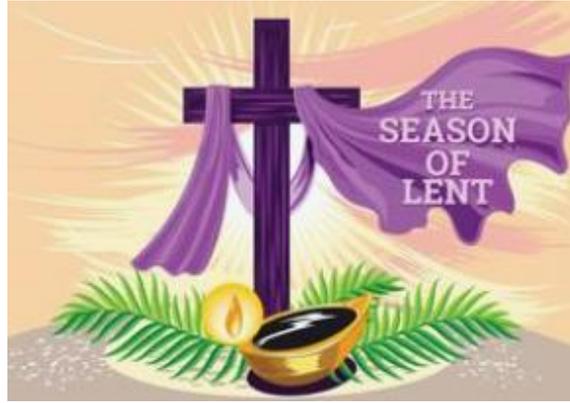
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Building Maintenance \$1,846

Total \$11,227

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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

Weekly Worship Schedule

SATURDAYS

Yoga in the Sanctuary 9:30 AM

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 (Will resume April 6)

TUESDAYS

Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAYS

Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM

Special Lenten Program – "Sabbath" 7:00 PM

THURSDAYS

Holy Eucharist 8:30 AM

FRIDAY

Bible Study 9:00 AM (Will resume April 10)

Stations of the Cross 12 Noon

The Reverend Albert R. Cutié, Rector
The Reverend Debra McLaughlin, Deacon
Ms. Linda Schlepp-Gray, Parish Administrator
Mr. Ashworth Matthews, Organist and Choirmaster

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