



Saint Benedict's Episcopal (Anglican) Church  
**The Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
April 25 and 26, 2026 | 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](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.

Processional

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

Hymnal 205

*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 Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

**\*(8am)** 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 WORD OF GOD

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved. The Word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

(10am ~ sung 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 the First Letter of Peter

1 Peter 2: 19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls. The Word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.**

### Sequence Hymn

### Great alleluia

Hymnal 206 (vs.1 & 2)

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

John 10:1-10

### **People Glory to you Lord Christ!**

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech

with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

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**

In the Easter mystery, God has re-created our world in joy, peace, hope, and light. And so we pray ...

That the *joy* of the Risen Christ may inspire the Church throughout the world, and here in our parish community of St. Benedict's in Plantation, to proclaim, in our work and worship together, the good news of the empty tomb. Let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That the *peace* of the Risen Christ may reign among the nations and peoples of the world, leading them to work together to uphold the sacred dignity of all men, women, and children: Let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, hear our prayer.***

That the *hope* of the Risen Christ may console the troubled, reconcile those who are estranged and alienated, and heal the hurting and suffering among us, especially those that are not able to join us physically. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the *light* of the Risen Christ may shine on the souls of all our deceased relatives and friends, and we remember the benefactors and members of St. Benedict's throughout the years. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

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).

*Celebrant* Father of life, Author of love, in raising your Son from the grave all of creation has been reborn. May the life and love of the Paschal mystery, which we celebrate today, be a constant and lasting reality in our lives.

*During the fifty days of Eastertide the confession of sins is not said.*

### 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](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 (6pm, 8am)

Offertory Anthem (10am)

Because He lives

This joyful Eastertide

LEVAS 43

Choir

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

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## 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

### 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 (6pm, 8am)  
(10am)

Break thou the bread of life  
Now, my tongue, the mystery telling

LEVAS 146  
Hymnal 331

## 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.

## Prayer after Holy Communion

Let us pray. *(Celebrant and People say this prayer together)*

*God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## + The Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his goodness. **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn

He lives

LEVAS 42

## The Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Sunday School

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



Copies of the Forward Day by Day Daily Devotional for the months of  
May/June/July 2026 are available in the Narthex

### Junior Daughters of the King

Sunday, April 26 | 10am Service



**The Candlelight Service** is a prayerful recognition of the girls as they continue their preparation to become Junior Daughters of the King. During this service, the girls are presented before the congregation and prayed for, symbolizing Christ as the Light of the World and their growing desire to live faithfully through prayer and service. This service does not indicate full membership but marks an important step along their spiritual journey.

Sunday, May 31 | 10am Service

**The Admission Service** is the service in which girls who have completed their preparation are formally admitted as Junior Daughters of the King and make a deeper commitment to the Order's Rule of Prayer and Service, "For His Sake."

### Healing Team Commissioning



Four new Healing Team Members are being commissioned at this weekend's services  
Saturday, 6pm | Joyce Krzemienski and David Smith  
Sunday, 8am | Kathleen Ashton  
Sunday, 10am | Jacky Lowe

### Mission of the Month



2026 Relay for Life Plantation/Sunrise - April 18, 2026

With much gratitude for all who participated and supported the  
Relay for Life Walk

**Additional monetary support is welcome. To make a donation:**  
Checks and/or cash may be placed in the Mission Box at the back of the church  
Please make checks payable to Relay for Life

### Mother's Union High Tea

April 26 | 3pm | Deshaies Hall

Adults \$30 and Children \$15

Contact Blossie Lewis for more information





## Brotherhood of St. Andrew BBQ Fundraiser Sunday, May 3 | 12 noon

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Side Dishes, Cold Drink, and Cookies  
Adults \$15 | Children \$10

Come out, enjoy great food, and support the Brotherhood's ministry  
in serving the church community and missions.



### Jubilee Center

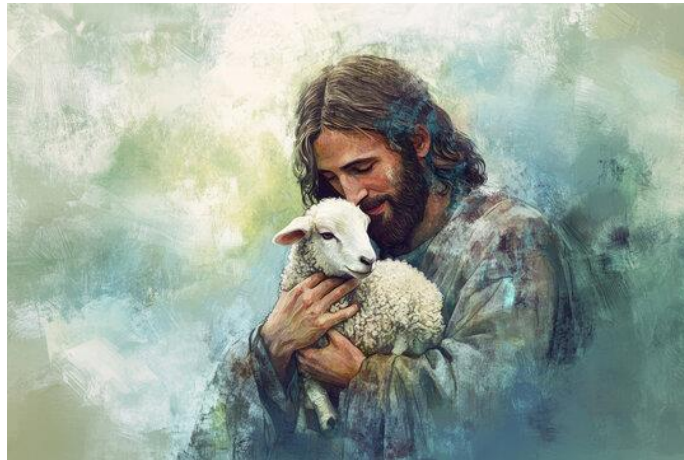
We ask for your continued support in donating food items.

The following non-perishable items are always in need  
Cereal, Beans, Veggies, Tuna, Soup, Canned Fruit, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce,  
Peanut Butter, Jelly

**At this time we ask that you refrain from donating clothing**

### May 2026 Meetings

Daughters of the King | Saturday, May 2 | St. Elizabeth's  
Episcopal Church Women | Sunday, May 3, 12 noon | St. Elizabeth's  
Mothers' Union | Sunday, May 17, 12 noon | St. Elizabeth's  
Brotherhood of St. Andrew | Sunday, May 17, 12 noon | Rector's Conference Room



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

Operating: \$8,339  
Building Maintenance: \$1,730  
Total: \$10,069

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

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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.*



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

### Weekly Worship Schedule

#### SATURDAYS

**9:30 AM Yoga in the Sanctuary**

**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**

#### 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**

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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