

Saint Benedict's Episcopal Church
Third Sunday After Pentecost Sunday
June 14, 2026 | 10 am



Welcome to Saint Benedict's Episcopal (Anglican) 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. More information about Saint Benedict's and our ministries may be found online at www.saintbenedicts.org. All responses in the liturgy can be found in **BOLD**. Our music is taken from The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS). Let us prepare our hearts to celebrate in Word and Sacrament.

The Bishop's Visitation with the Sacrament of Confirmation and Reception

Prelude

Processional

Christ for the world we sing

Hymnal 537

Opening Acclamation *The people standing, the Bishop says*

+Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.*

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People *One God and Father of all.*

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Bishop Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

19:2-8a

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites." So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do."

The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; *
serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know this: The LORD himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- 4 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Walker and O'Carroll

Father we praise you as Lord,
All of the earth gives you worship,
For your majesty fills the heavens, fills the earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.
Fill the hearts of your faithful
and enlighten them
with the fire of your love.

You are the Christ everlasting
Born for us all of a virgin,
You have conquered death, opened heaven to all believers.

+The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

9:35-10:8

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

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. *Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord. *People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Bishop says

The Candidates will now be presented.

Rector I present *these persons* for Confirmation and Reception into this Communion.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop

Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

Bishop addresses the entire community

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Bishop

Let us join with those being confirmed and received as we renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant (*Together we renew our faith*)

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People *I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People *I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.*

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever
you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good
News of God in Christ?
People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons,
loving your neighbor as yourself?
People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,
and respect the dignity of every human being?
People ***I will, with God's help.***

Prayers for the Candidates

Bishop

Let us now pray for *these persons* who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Open *their hearts* to your grace and truth.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Keep *them* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in *these your servants* the covenant you have made with *them* at *their* Baptism. Send *them* forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before *them*, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

For Confirmation

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your Holy Spirit; empower *him/her* for your service; and sustain *him/her* all the days of *his/her* life. *Amen.*

For Reception

N., we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. *Amen.*

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements by the Rector

Our offering is now taken for the work of the parish. Please be generous. You can make a secure donation ONLINE www.saintbenedicts.org or give by clicking on the QR CODE below. Thank you!

When the Bishop is with us, it is customary for a special offering, that is not part of our regular pledges to be given to “*The Bishop’s Special Assistance Fund*” – Please use the envelope located in your pew.

You may use cash or write a check to the “*The Bishop’s Special Assistance Fund*”.

Your donations will help provide assistance to individuals and communities to receive help in times of need.



Offertory Anthem

Go Light Your World

Chancel Choir

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Old Hundredth

Bishop All things come of Thee, O Lord,
People And of Thine own have we given Thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people stand. The Bishop sings

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Bishop continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Bishop and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Bishop continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, *“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, *“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Bishop continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
Amen.

Bishop And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.***

The Breaking of the Bread

Bishop Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Agnus Dei (*Lamb of God*)

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God

First Intentional / Solemn Communion

Participating children and youth will precede the congregation in receiving Holy Communion

Please follow the instructions of the ushers to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn

Taste and See
I am the bread of life
Here I am, Lord

LEVAS 154

Hymnal 335

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.

The Blessing +

Recessional Hymn

Revive us again

LEVAS 157

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Congratulations to all who received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and to those who were received!



Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in us the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy Your consolations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Congratulations to the children and youth who participated in their
First Intentional / Solemn Communion**

“This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me...

This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.”

Luke 22:18-20





The Episcopal Church
IN SOUTHEAST FLORIDA

SAINT BENEDICT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

Nuestra misión es conocer el amor de Cristo y darlo a conocer

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 Right Reverend Peter Eaton, Presiding
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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