



St. Benedict's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Mission of St. Benedict's

*St. Benedict's is a welcoming community sharing and spreading Christ's love
through worship, education, fellowship and outreach.*

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 25, 2021

10:30 am



The Holy Eucharist

Liturgy of The Word

Hymnal 1982

Opening Processional 8

Morning Has Broken

Allison Bateman, soprano

Jacob Janes, bass

- 1 Morning has broken
like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
fresh from the Word!
- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where his feet pass.
- 3 Mine is the sunlight!
Mine is the morning
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation,
praise every morning,
God's re-creation
of the new day!

Opening Acclamation *(standing)*

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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 *(sung by cantor)*

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson *(seated)*

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:10-19

Exaltabo te, Deus

- 10 All your works praise you, O Lord, *
and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom *
and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power *
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The Lord is faithful in all his words *
and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, *
and you give them their food in due season.
- 17 You open wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways *
and loving in all his works.
- 19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him, *
to all who call upon him faithfully.

The Epistle

Ephesians 3:14-21

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation on Lift High the Cross

Glenda Underwood, piano

*Lift high the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore
his sacred Name.*

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

Refrain

Each new-born servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.

Refrain

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee.

Refrain

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory.

Refrain

The Gospel

John 6:1-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Reverend Jenna Strizak

The Nicene Creed *(standing)*

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.

Prayers of the People

Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

We thank you for the gift of baptism and our call to share in Christ's ministry. We pray especially for the Daughters of the King, and give thanks that today Anna Best, Katherine Rice, and Glenda Underwood follow your call to service and prayer in that order. May they continue to grow in knowledge and love of you.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially Vera McCabe; Ginny Swan; Teddy Beasley; Christina Viele; Valerie Kasper; Randy; Mary Freeman; Dorothy Sullivan; the Stang family; Sarah Meyer; Eric Rutherford; Maria Lema; Gloria Albertson; Natascha Lema; the Megargee family; Mack Taylor; Laura Wessels; Bob Faulkender; Chris Higgins; Leslie Ennis; Pete Webb; Lee Bowen and Michael Hale, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Ed Pierce, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin *(standing or kneeling)*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Service of Admission to the Daughters of the King: Anna Best, Katherine Robinson, and Glenda Underwood

When the celebrant asks:

Will you support these women in their ministry of prayer and service?

The people respond:

We will.

The Peace *(standing)*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Anthem 314

Humbly I Adore Thee (verses 1 & 3-4)

Allison Bateman, soprano

Hymnal 1982

- 1 Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen,
who thy glory hidest 'neath these shadows mean;
lo, to thee surrendered, my whole heart is bowed,
tranced as it beholds thee, shrined within the cloud.
- 3 O memorial wondrous of the Lord's own death;
living Bread that givest all thy creatures breath,
grant my spirit ever by thy life may live,
to my taste thy sweetness never-failing give.
- 4 Jesus, whom now hidden, I by faith behold,
what my soul doth long for, that thy word foretold:
face to face thy splendor, I at last shall see,
in the glorious vision, blessed Lord, of thee.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving *(standing)*

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

(sung by cantor)

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

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Benedict, and with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.



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

After the Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, a period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem (sung by cantor)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Communion of the People

Communion Hymns 301, 456

Hymnal 1982

Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken

- 1 Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
by whom the words of life were spoken,
and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sorrow broken,
look on the tears by sinners shed;
and be thy feast to us the token
that by thy grace our souls are fed.

O Love of God, How Strong and True

Hymnal 1982

- 1 O Love of God, how strong and true,
eternal and yet ever new;
uncomprehended and unbought,
beyond all knowledge and all thought.
- 2 O wide-embracing, wondrous Love,
we read thee in the sky above;
we read thee in the earth below,
in seas that swell and streams that flow.
- 3 We read thee best in him who came
to bear for us the cross of shame,
sent by the Father from on high,
our life to live, our death to die.
- 4 We read thy power to bless and save
e'en in the darkness of the grave;
still more in resurrection light
we read the fullness of thy might.

Post Communion Prayer (*standing*)

Let us pray.

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

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Processional Hymn 304

Hymnal 1982

I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord (verses 1, 3 & 5)

- 1 I come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me.
- 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.
- 5 Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world,
we'll live and speak his praise.

The Dismissal

The priest dismisses the people.

Thanks be to God.



Daughters of the King: New Members



Anna Best

What would you like your parish family to know about you?

The parish should know I enjoy a one-on-one conversation with others. I tend to be more shy in larger settings. I have a sense of humor that often drives my husband crazy. It can sometimes be unconventional. I am glad to have this parish as a resource to our family.

What are your hopes for your call to the Daughters of the King?

My hopes are to share my faith with others on a more personal basis and to learn from other daughters.

Who is Jesus for you in this season?

I can see Jesus in every member of this church as they go about sharing their kind and caring natures. We are all made in his image, and thank God for that!



Katherine Robinson

What would you like your parish family to know about you?

I love liturgical living, and all things traditional. Although I certainly falter, celebrating the liturgy year round, and including my children in that tradition, is the foundation of our family. Woodrow and I both grew up in Atlanta. We have been married for seven years and have a 6 year old (Hayden Marie) and a 4 year old (Woods) - you've probably heard them "whisper" during a service or two.

What are your hopes for your call to the Daughters of the King?

To learn how to operate completely outside of myself, and instead use my time for His sake. I'm chatty. And loud. And have a big personality. The DOK are not a showy group of women. They are devoted to quietly loving Jesus, praying, and serving their community and parish. They don't seek praise, they pray constantly in quiet. Just like Jesus.

Who is Jesus for you in this season?

Although I've been in love with Jesus for some time now, it wasn't until the pandemic that I truly just raised my hands in the air and said "take it. All of it." Living in a paralyzed world where there is no "right choice" forced me to realize that the only choice that will endure forever is Jesus.



Glenda Underwood

What would I like my parish family to know about you?

I am a retired teacher of 40 years who taught all grades 1-12 at some point. Favorite course of study was English, Medieval and Renaissance history. Loved taking students to Europe and helping those who have special projects in history. The cat and the piano are my companions. I enjoy playing at St. B's whenever called.

What are my hopes for being called to DOK?

So far I have appreciated the intensity of the personal study required of DOK candidates and the devoted women of leadership who lovingly share their love and prayerful stories. I hope to discover way to serve as opportunity arises.

Who is Jesus for me in this season?

Having never experienced the Anglican Episcopal service until the first time I visited, I saw Jesus in the faces of all who joyfully and sincerely shared 'The Peace.' Through Women's Bible Study and our resourceful leaders, I am learning about the wonders of Jesus with depth and discovery. He listens when I think and have silent conversations, he is with me in ways I never understood before. The Sisterhood has lovingly brought me forward and I am enthralled with the numerous opportunities to serve with him.

Daughters of the King: Sisters of Sacred Peace Chapter
St. Benedict's Episcopal Church

Anna Best, Mary Cahill-Roberts, Robin Cahill-Roberts, Mary Calvin,
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Jenny Porter (Vice President), Katherine Robinson, Julie Savini, Kerry Thomas,
Glenda Underwood, Adrienne Wilson

WORSHIP

Holy Baptism

Are you interested in Holy Baptism, Confirmation, or Reception into the Episcopal Church? Please let Mother Jenna know! The following dates are coming up, and we'd love to prepare for these joyous sacraments:

Holy Baptism

October 3 - 3:00 pm (Celebration of New Ministry)

November 7 - 8:00 am or 10:30 am (All Saints Sunday)

Confirmation, Reception, Renewal of Baptismal Vows

October 3 - 3:00 pm (Celebration of New Ministry with Bishop Wright at St. Benedict's)

Serving in Worship

Lectors and Intercessors

St. B's needs lectors (readers) and intercessors (those who lead the prayers of the people) on Sunday mornings. It is so important that the assembly hears God's word read by people of all ages, genders, ethnicities, voices... reflecting the diversity of the body of Christ. This is a great ministry for folks looking to get more involved! Sign up at tinyurl.com/StBReaders.

Worship Guidelines

Vaccinated people aged 12 & older can choose whether or not to wear a mask according to their own comfort level.

We ask unvaccinated people aged 12 & older to continue both masking and social distancing.

For children under 12 we will allow each family to decide what's best for their kids around masking.

No more need for pre-registration or assigned seating.

The last six rows on the right side of the nave will be reserved for those who choose to continue social distancing.

FORMATION / EDUCATION

Sunday School Kickoff

Sunday, August 1, 9:30 am-10:20 am

K-12th Graders and their parents (and any other curious folks) are invited to the kickoff for Building Faith Brick by Brick: a scripture and Lego program to engage with biblical stories and build religious imagination. Come see what God is up to in formation at St. B's this semester as we ease back in with a once-a-month model.

Children's Formation

Do you have some extra, well-loved Lego bricks sitting around the house? St. B's Children's Formation can use them! Please bring them to the bin in the church office, or contact Katie Loadholtes - athockeylove@gmail.com or 404-518-2070.

Also, are you a Lego lover? Love storytelling and creating with kids? You might be called to help occasionally with Children's Formation! The commitment is not every week; let Katie or Mother Jenna know, and let's have a conversation!

OUTREACH

Episcopal Youth Service

Sunday, August 8, 3-7 pm, Cathedral of St. Philip

All 6-12 graders are invited to pack 10,000 meals for hungry neighbors, play games, and enjoy a treat together. A chance to connect and reconnect with friends in faith after a long hiatus. If you are interested in going with a group from St. B's, please email Laura Alexander. gutalexa@hotmail.com

FELLOWSHIP & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday August 1, at 8:00 and 10:30 services.

Students, teachers, educators of all ages: bring your backpack, bookbag, or briefcase to church. God will bless them as we begin a new school year!

Nametags

Now that we are back in church for services please start wearing your name tag. If you don't have a name tag please contact Monty at monty@mysaintb.org to request one.

Bowling with Betty

Let's have some fun and go bowling with Betty Kidd!

Friday, August 27 at 7:00 pm

Bowlero Lanes

2750 Austell Rd. SW Marietta

\$2.35 plus shoe rental

Register at tinyurl.com/StBBowling

or call Betty at 770-436-5114 to RSVP.

Low Country Boil and Auction

August 28 at 7:00pm - Low Country Boil is back!

Buy tickets at tinyurl.com/PTSBoil, or in-person on the cobblestones Sundays, Aug. 8, 15, or 22. Raffle tickets will also be available, so bring cash or a check. All proceeds will go to Mission and Outreach. Questions? Email the office at monty@mysaintb.org

Save the Dates

October 3

Celebration of New Ministry with Bishop Wright - 3:00 pm

October 10

Blessing of the Animals - 4:00 pm