

# St Benedict's Episcopal Church

~ Tending Mind and Soul ~

# Los Osos, California The Second Sunday of Creation

September 11, 2022

Whoever you are and wherever you are in your faith journey, there is a warm welcome for you here at St. Benedict's!

## ~ Prelude ~

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God with *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*"

Arranged by Paul A. Tate

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Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

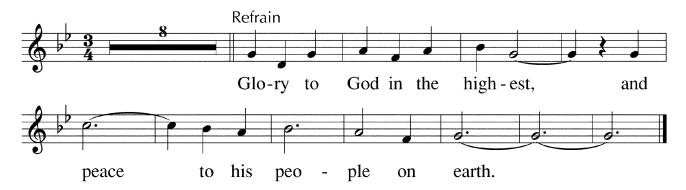
People: Glory to God for ever and ever!

All: 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 G157



#### Verses

- 1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
- 2. 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.

3. 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! Amen!

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# Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

O God, having shown us how far your love goes in saving the lost and forgotten, mercifully grant that we might join you in the work of reuniting with all creatures; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.



#### **Exodus 32:7-14**

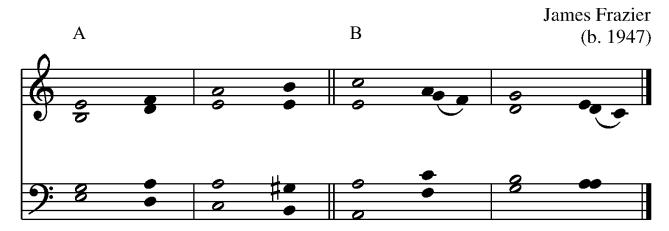
Reader: A Reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

**♪ Psalm 51** S408



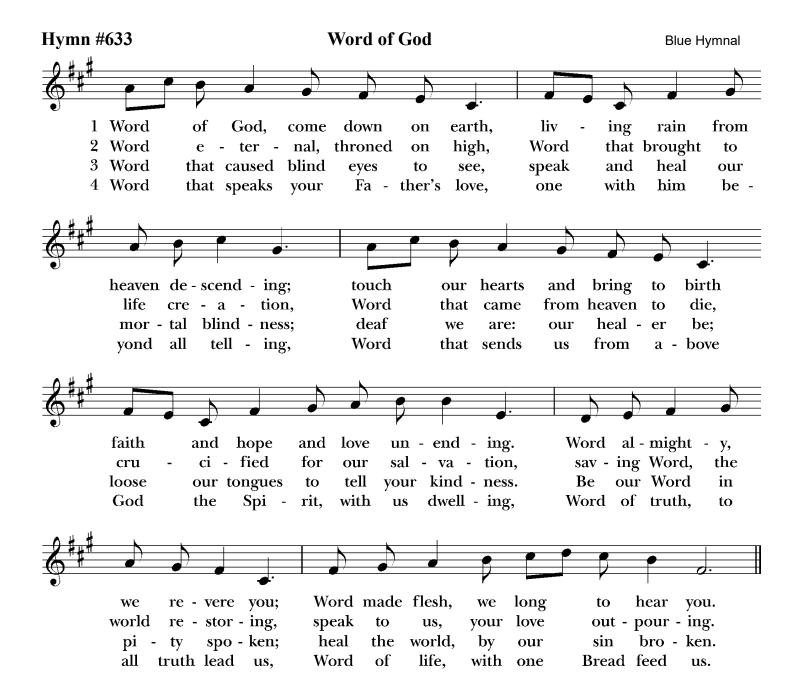
- A Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \* in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- B Wash me through and through from my wickedness \* and cleanse me from my sin.
- A For I know my <u>transgressions</u>, \* and my sin is ever <u>before me</u>.
- B Against you only have I <u>sinned</u>\* and done what is evil in your <u>sight</u>.
- A And so you are justified when you <u>speak</u> \* and upright in your <u>judgment</u>.
- B Indeed, I have been wicked from my <u>birth</u>, \* a sinner from my mother's <u>womb</u>.
- A For behold, you look for truth deep with<u>in me</u>, \* and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- B Purge me from my sin, and I shall be <u>pure</u>; \* wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- A Make me hear of joy and gladness, \* that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- B Hide your face from my sins \* and blot out all my iniquities.
- B Create in me a clean heart, O <u>God</u>, \* and renew a right spirit with<u>in me</u>.

# Laudato Si', Pope Francis

Reader: A Reading from Laudato Si', by Pope Francis

When we speak of the "environment," what we really mean is a relationship existing between nature and the society which lives in it. Nature cannot be regarded as something separate from ourselves or as a mere setting in which we live. We are part of nature, included in it and thus in constant interaction with it. Recognizing the reasons why a given

area is polluted requires a study of the workings of society, its economy, its behavior patterns, and the ways it grasps reality. Given the scale of change, it is no longer possible to find a specific, discrete answer for each part of the problem. It is essential to seek comprehensive solutions which consider the interactions within natural systems themselves and with social systems. We are faced not with two separate crises, one environmental and the other social, but rather with one complex crisis which is both social and environmental. Strategies for a solution demand an integrated approach to combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time protecting nature.



#### Luke 15:1-10

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ According to Luke.

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to You, Lord Christ.* 

Sermon Lorienne Schwenk

[We pause for a few moments' reflection before affirming our faith.]

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

Let us stand and join in the Affirmation of our Faith

who proceeds from the Father.

We trust in one God, All: the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We trust 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 trust in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We trust 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**

Let us pray for all the people and creatures who live in places in the world where there is no beauty, no joy, no peace. God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

We remember all those whose lives have been turned upside down by drought, fire, flood and earthquake. God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

We ask a blessing of healing for all who are victims of terrorism and violent crime especially the people of the James Smith Cree Nation. God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

We pray for people of faith around the world, especially those living in fear of persecution or attack. God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

We pray for people of faith around the world, especially those who are comfortable and complacent in the face of climate change. God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

We bring before you the leaders of this country and this state, especially Joseph our President and Gavin our governor, asking that they may be given wisdom and boldness to lead us in the paths of peace, God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

We give thanks for all those who work for beauty and reconciliation in this county and who seek to walk lightly on the planet, God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

We pray for those who are on our hearts and minds this morning, starting with those in the bidding book.... [you are invited to add your own intercessions or thanksgivings, silently or aloud.] God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Giver of Life we thank you for all who have gone before, especially all who have worked for peace and for the flourishing of all beings. God, giver of life, **Hear our prayer**.

Holy One, we ask that you will continually lead us in the paths of reconciliation and reconstruction, that you will help us to see the connections between every part of Creation and that you give us the courage to stand up and speak out for your planet and your kin-dom. **Amen** 

## **Confession and Absolution**

Let us confess our sins to God.

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.

Celebrant: May the All-Compassionate 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.* 

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

To maintain safe social distancing, please simply greet others verbally or with a bow or nod.

## **Birthday & Anniversary Prayers**

Those wanting a special prayer for a birthday, anniversary, or travel, please share in the chat.

## 50. For a Birthday p 830

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray on your servant(s) \_\_\_\_\_ as he/she/they begin(s) another year. Grant that he/she/they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her/their trust in your goodness all the days of his/her/their life/lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### 51. For a Birthday p 830

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as his/her/their days increase; bless and guide him/her/their wherever he/she/they may be. Strengthen him/her/them when he/she/they stand(s); comfort him/her/their when discouraged or sorrowful; raise him/her/their up if he/she/they fall; and in his/her/their heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of him/her/their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### 52. For an Anniversary p 431

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

## 53. For Travelers p 831

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel [in particular \_\_\_\_\_ ]; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them into safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## The Offertory

You are invited to make a thank offering, but if you do no contribute financially today please give thanks for God's blessing as the plate is passed. You can contribute at our website www.stbenslososos.org at any time.

- 1 All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew, me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.
- 2 Mortal pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust; though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.
- 3 God's great goodness e'er endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought: splendor, light and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore from his store newborn worlds rise and adore.
- 4 Daily doth the almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.
- 5 Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ, his Son. Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

Author: Joachim Neander Translator: Robert Bridges Tune: MICHAEL (Howells)

## **J** Doxology:

[Hymn tune #400]

[sung] Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise God the Source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia

Holy Eucharist

BCP Prayer C

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the

planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you and betrayed your trust; and

we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous

Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to

open for us the way of freedom and peace.

All: By his blood, he reconciled us.

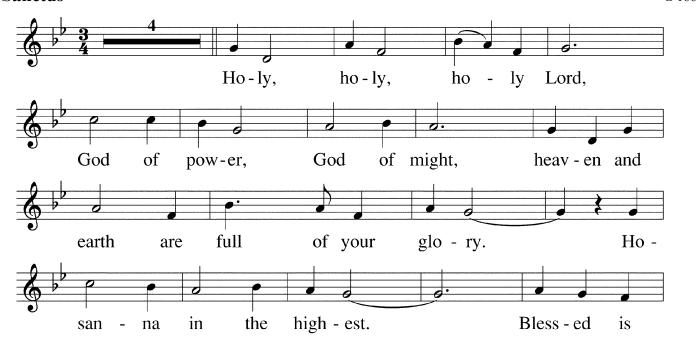
By his wounds, we are healed.

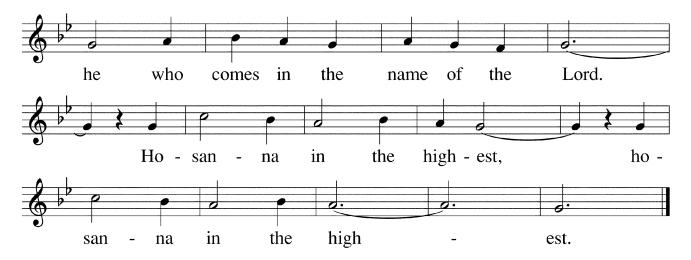
Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,

and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your

glory, in their unending hymn:

∫ Sanctus G 166





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Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

## All: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

#### All: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

# The Lord's Prayer

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.

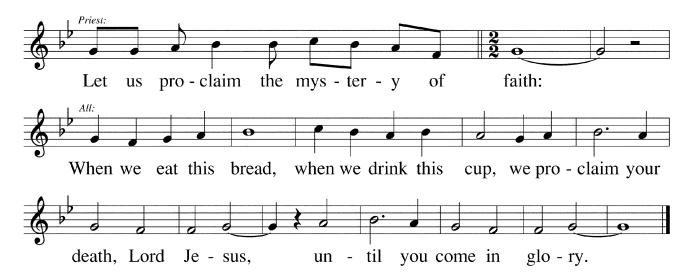
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the Bread

**♪** Fraction Anthem G167-C



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# **Holy Communion**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

This is God's table, and all are welcome here.

If God is calling you, you are welcome to receive communion, If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. As your group is called forward, please spread out to widen the circle and increase safe social distancing.

#### **♪** Communion Music

"Interlude No. 9"

Paul A. Tate

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John Rutter

## St. Benedict's Singers

We will observe a few minutes of silent prayer for those living in war zones, those whose lives have been devastated by the events of 9/11 and the wars in Iraq, Afghanistan and Syria, and those who are suffering in failed states and amid civil war.

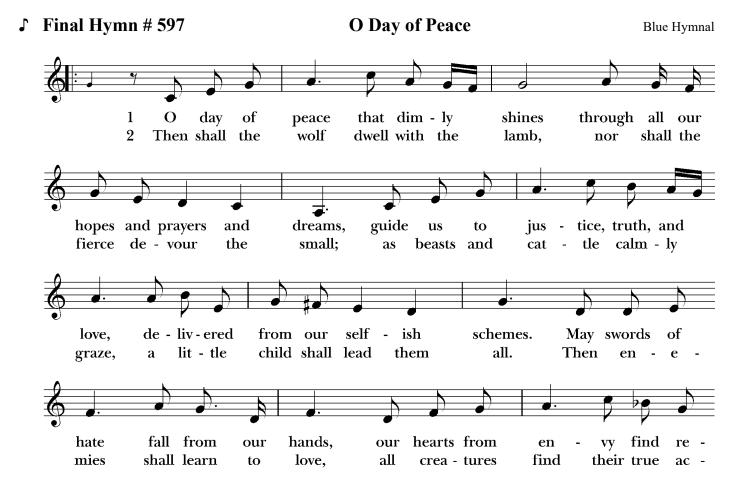
## **Prayer**

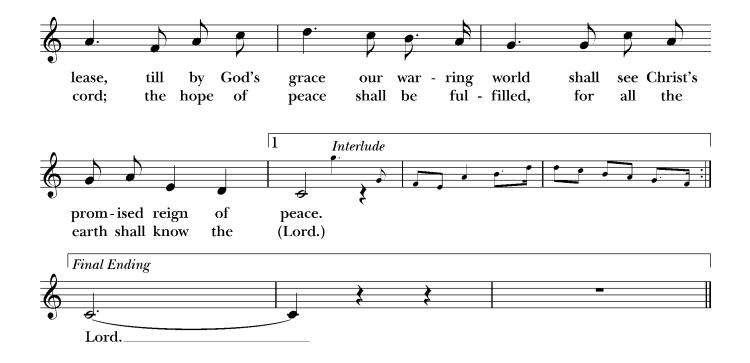
Create in us a new heart and a new vision, O God, that the gifts of your Spirit may work in us and renew the face of the earth. May we be one with you so that our work is yours and your work is ours. Lead us to transform our lives to reflect your glory in Creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen. .

Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

## **Blessing**

#### Announcements





## **Dismissal**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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"O Waly Waly" Arr. Paul A. Tate

**English Melody** 

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Today's Eucharist Liturgy is

Eucharistic Prayer B from the Book of Common Prayer

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## **Ministers of the Service**

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall

Eucharistic Minister: Jerry Walton Lector: Jane Wu

Cantor: Diana Hammerlund

Flowers: Sharon Porter

Ushers: Carol Walton & Michael Lucas

Intercessor: Helen Schnieders
Altar Guild: Lorienne Schwenk

Online Host: Suzan Vaughn & Pat Henry

Tellers: Diana Hammerlund & Judith Cadigan

Director of Music: Dave Alm

Technical: Hannah-Jaye Matthew

## This Week at St Ben's

Monday Rector's Sabbath

Tuesday

9:45a Prayers for the Morning

10:15a Spiritual Conversation: Happiness

5:30p Vespers

7:00p Diocesan Budget Presentation (Zoom)

Wednesday

7:00p Walk in Love (Zoom)

Thursday

5:30p Choir Rehearsal

Saturday

9:00a Men's Breakfast Group at Celia's Garden Cafe

Sunday

8:00a Contemplative Communion

10:30a Eucharist

4:00p Lambeth Q&A with +Lucinda

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Storied Pilgrimage with Race** continues September 15th—an online conversation about race based on the life experiences of members of the diocese.

**Walk in Love** continues on September 14th, This short on-line course is for anyone who is interested in being received or confirmed into The Episcopal Church, and anyone who would like to know more about the church. In Walk in Love, the Revs. Scott Gunn and Melody Shobe unpack the basic beliefs and practices of our tradition.

**Bishop Lucinda** will be here on October 9th. Let Caro+ know now if you want to be received or confirmed.

There will be a presentation on the **Diocesan Budget** on Tuesday at 6:30pm. Diocesan delegates are expected to participate - everyone else is welcome. <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85884399117">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85884399117</a>

**PERSONAL PRAYER** – If you'd like prayer support during the week, contact Helen Schnieders (818-324-2646). If no answer, please leave a message and your call will be returned. Prayer requests may also be emailed at any time to <a href="mailto:prayers@stbenslososos.org">prayers@stbenslososos.org</a> and requests for pastoral care may be sent to pastoralcare@stbenslososos.org.

**THE ALTAR GUILD** serves each Sunday by setting up and creating sacred space and then putting the vessels and linens away at the end as well as by looking after everything we use in worship. There are openings for two or more people to join the team. If God is calling you to this special ministry please talk to Sarah Chesebro.

**BIDDING BOOK PRAYERS** – If you'd like to request prayers for someone to have their names read out during the worship services on Sunday, please write them in the bidding book on the stand by the usher's station as you come into church.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Hannah-Jaye is in the office on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 2-5. If you need something at other times please contact Caro+

BIRTHDAYS: 12th Diana Hammerlund, 14th Judith Cadigan, 17th Bryson McKelvey and Joan Hayes

**ANNIVERSARY** 15th Brian Spolarich and Alan Kiste.

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