

St. Raphael's

Episcopal Church

5601 Williams Drive

Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 10:00 am

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

with prayers of dedication and thanksgiving
for the gifts from Good Shepherd, Tequista, Florida

worshiping at Diamond Head Beach Resort

2000 Estero Blvd, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

during the rebuilding of our parish home on Williams Dr.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Word of God

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

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

The Celebrant prays

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.**

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always
those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without
you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will;
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

Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

From Psalm 85

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

**Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

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Mercy and truth have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
**Truth shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**
The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.
**Righteousness shall go before him,
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.**

The Gospel

Matthew 14:22-333

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

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Reflection

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

Almighty God, we bring before you this troubled world. Heal us of the hatred that infects our hearts. Help us to listen to one another. Bring peace to all races and peoples. . .

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We are St. Raphael's Church, and the love of Jesus has changed our lives. Help us learn to tell our stories so that we may invite others to know you and to love you. . .

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Help us to preserve and protect this beautiful earth that you have created, that we may use its resources wisely and with grateful hearts give you thanks. . .

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Be present with all who are lonely, sick or suffering in any way. We pray especially for those who have asked for our prayers: Mariann, Julie, Calvin, Jane, Paula & Phil, Nella, Martha, Kathie, Rusty and Kim. Are there others?

(Add your own intensions)

Show them the light of your presence and give them hope to meet the days ahead. . .

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Embrace the souls of those who have died, that they may find peace in the true story that never ends. . .

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We ask you to bless our town of Ft. Myers Beach. Bring peace to our streets, understanding to our people and wisdom to our leaders. . .

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

**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 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.**

A Service of Dedication and Thanksgiving

V. O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness:

R. **You are clothed with majesty and splendor.**

Let us pray.

O glorious God, all your works proclaim your perfect beauty: Accept our offering of these altar cloths and hangings, and grant that they may adorn the worships spaces of St. Raphael's and show forth your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness:

R. **Let your people sing with joy.**

Let us pray.

O God, you revealed your Son clothed in majesty and glory: Accept these vestments for the use of the clergy and ministers of St. Raphael's, that, being clothed with humility as they minister to you, they may show forth his eternal splendor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

V. Oh, the majesty and magnificence of God's presence!

R. Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son has sanctified and transfigured the use of material things: Receive this all these gifts which we offer, and grant that they may proclaim your love, benefit your Church, and minister grace and joy to those who use it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

With thanksgiving for our benefactors

Let us pray.

We bless your Name, O Lord, because it has pleased you to enable your servants at Good Shepherd to offer these gifts for your worship and service. Remember them for good, and grant that all who benefit from these gifts may show their thankfulness to you by using them in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.*

Silence

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

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God . . .

After Communion

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**