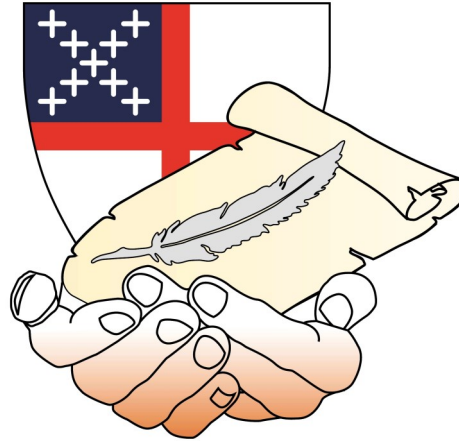


Welcome
to
St. Clement's Episcopal Church
Open Minds + Loving Hearts + Giving Hands



Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 26, 2025

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II
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A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina

The Right Reverend Samuel S. Rodman III, Bishop of North Carolina

The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, Assistant Bishop

The Reverend Jamie L'Enfant Edwards, Rector

The Reverend Mark Davidson, Deacon

John Farmer, Director of Music

Vail Wright, Guest Organist

The Order for Holy Eucharist

Welcome and Announcements

Please take this time to silence or turn off your cell phones and all electronic devices.

Prelude

Siciliana

Walond

Entrance Hymn #559

Lead us, heavenly Father

Dulce Carmen

Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

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

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

Hymn of Praise #421

All Glory be to God on high
Stanza 1 only

Allein Gott

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Sirach 35:12-17

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold. Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice; for the Lord is the judge, and with him there is no partiality. He will not show partiality to the poor; but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

Psalm 84:1-6 ***Quam dilecta!***
(Spoken)

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Sequence Hymn #53

Once he came in blessing

Gottes Sohn ist kommen

The Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

For those unfamiliar with our liturgy...

Holy Communion, the Eucharist (which literally means "thanksgiving"), the Lord's Supper, and the Mass are all names for the family meal for Christians and a foretaste of the heavenly banquet. All the baptized are part of the extended family that is the Church and therefore welcome to receive. After the host (bread) is placed in your palm, you may "sip, dip, or skip" the wine by guiding the chalice to your lips, intincting the wafer lightly in the wine, or crossing your arms over your chest to decline. Those not receiving communion are still welcome to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). Please know that no matter how you participate, your presence contributes a unique and valued ingredient to the feast.

The Sermon.....The Rev. Mark Davidson

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People
 Response: ***Lord, have mercy.***

Confession of Sin BCP p. 360

The Peace BCP p. 360

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn #686 Come thou fount of every blessing Nettleton

The Great Thanksgiving BCP p. 361
 Sanctus S-128 Holy, Holy, Holy

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem (*spoken*)
 Celebrant: God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.
People: Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

Communion Music Under the Leaves Thome

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 366

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #680 O God our help in ages past St. Anne

For your prayers during the Eucharist and this week.

In Our Diocese: We give thanks for Sean, our presiding Bishop; Samuel, our Diocesan Bishop; Jennifer, Assistant Bishop; Jamie our Rector; Mark our Deacon. For Penick Village, Thompson Child & Family Focus, Episcopal Farmworkers Ministry. For our Companion Diocese of Costa Rica and their Bishop, Orlando Gómez, and the Diocese of Botswana and their Bishop, Metlhayotlhe Beleme.

In Our Parish Cycle of Prayer: We give thanks for Bobbie Daniel.

In Need of Healing: Tava B.; Patty D.; Kevin M.; Keith C.; Sharon L.; Miriam L.; Noelle N.; Olivia; Henry; Jeannette R.; Addie T. ;Judy R.; Cindy Lou F.; baby Lucy Claire, Keith C.; John F.; Erika R.; Arlene; Robbie P.; Dave K.; Sallie S.; Karen F.; Sid C.; Jaci K.; Roger D, Jr.; Paden P.; Brooklyn S.; Martin R.; Sonta H.; Warren G.; Sharon V.; Michael E.; Jane H.; Rhonda L.; Michael S.; Sylbrina K.; Gill W.; Bim H.; Bradley M.; Sharon F.; Don G.; Myra A.; Susan G.; Pat K.; Linda H.; Donna P.; Bruce N.; Sandra N.; Kim S.; Heather T.; Jerry K.; Manuel; Rick K.; Vic; Jimmy E.; Robert E.; Pat G.; Nancy M.; Werner K; for Burnie Patterson & family; for all victims of violence and natural disasters; for our nation’s leaders that they will always seek to do God’s will.

Military: For all those who serve our country, here and abroad, especially: Will Edwards; Cody Potts; Isaac Hutchins; Sean Mullins; Chris Vestal; David Grocer; Sam Mills; Ryan Tilley; Chris Bailey; Jeremy Almond; Andrew Ellis.

In Thanksgiving: For the staff and volunteers at Crisis Control and for our visitors.

Birthdays: Luci Lazorchak, Jim Myers, Beth Binder, Dave Kapitanek

Anniversaries: Dave & Sue Kapitanek

All Saints’ and All Souls’ Day
Let us remember your loved one this November.
In observance of All Saints’ and All Souls’ day, we wish to spend the month of November surrounded by visible reminders of loved ones who are now among the communion of saints. To this end, we invite all parishioners to bring in a framed photo of deceased loved ones to be displayed in the Nave during November, beginning November 2nd. If you wish to bring in your photo prior to that Sunday, please leave it with Linda and she will make sure it is placed in the Nave appropriately.
The photos can be taken home again following the service on November 30th.



Welcome to our Seekers and Visitors!

Welcome to St. Clement's! We are blessed to have you with us. Please visit our welcome table located next to the organ and fill out a name tag and pick up a Visitor's Welcome Postcard. If you would like more information about any aspect of our parish, please do not hesitate to ask!

Would you like to become a member?

Please ask for a gold registration form.

Opportunities for Engagement

- **Men's Breakfast**
Every first Wednesday, 8 am @ Pete's.
- **Women's Group**
Every Thursday @ 10:30 am (PH)
- **Al-Anon Meetings**
Every Friday @ 12 noon (PH)
- **Men's Zoom Group**
Every Saturday @ 8 am via Zoom
- **In-Person Saturday Men's Hour**
Every Saturday, 10 am—11 am in parish hall.
- **Potluck (Costco) Dinner Parties**
Meets periodically on a Saturday evening.

Outreach Needs

Please, no expired food and no glass jars.

Please consider picking up just one item a week. Shop the sale items! ANY donation is appreciated and needed!

- **Clemmons Food Pantry**
- **Storehouse for Jesus**
- **Snacks for Morgan**
Individually wrapped healthy snacks.
- **Crisis Control**
Spare change in our collection jug.

Mark Your Calendars

- **Annual Parish Meeting**
Sunday, November 2, between the services
- **Newsletter deadline (Nov. Dec. Jan.)**
Tuesday, November 4
- **New "crafters" Group Kickoff meeting**
Wednesday, November 5 @ 9:30 a.m. (PH)

Special Announcements

Annual Parish Meeting—Sunday, Nov. 2

Everyone is encourage to attend, please join us in the Nave between the services.

Holiday Newsletter

Deadline for submissions for the Nov/Dec/Jan issue is Tuesday, Nov. 4th.

2026 Altar Flower sign up is posted

Sign up for a Sunday or two to provide altar flowers in 2026. Sign up sheet is currently posted on the white board in the narthex (*until the lift construction and then I'm not sure.*)

Are you a crafter? Join us Nov. 5th.

Our former Prayer Shawl Ministry is going to begin meeting again on Wednesdays @ 9:30 a.m. in the parish hall. We invite all crafters to bring your craft project and join us for fellowship. The first meeting will be Wednesday, November 5th and we will share thoughts and ideas for the group's future. Contact Gail Crowe for more information. You can find her information in the online directory or you can call Linda during office hours.

Forward Day-by-Day

Copies of the Nov./ Dec./ Jan. edition are available in the narthex and parish hall.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, October 26

DEADLINE: Pledge forms due today
Rite II Quiet Eucharist @ 8 am
Coffee & Conversation, 8:30-9 am (PH)
Formation, 9-9:45 am (PH)
Rite II w/ music @ 10 am

Tuesday, October 28

RENTAL: Drawing Class, 9:30-noon (PH)

Thursday, October 30

Women's Group, 10:30 (PH)

Friday, October 31

RENTAL: Al-Anon, 12 noon (PH)

Saturday, November 1

Men's Zoom Group, 8 am via Zoom
In-Person Men's Hour, 10-11 am (PH)

Serving at the Altar for this Week

The Rev. Jamie Edwards

The Rev. Mark Davidson

8:00 Chalice: Lector: C.L. Franke

Acolyte: Altar Guild: Patterson

10:00 Chalice: M. McIntosh Lector: J. Krause

Acolyte: Ushers: Smith Altar Guild: Daniel, Smith

Counters: Leslie Pugh, Jim Studley

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*Flowers behind the Altar are given to the Glory of God by
Patrick and Noelle Nichols in loving memory of Patrick's father,
Howard J. Nichols, who would have been 100 years old today.*

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Lay Ministry Schedule for Next Sunday, November 2

The Rev. Jamie Edwards

The Rev. Mark Davidson

8:00 Chalice: G. Crowe Lector: C.L. Franke

Acolyte: G. Crowe Altar Guild: Crowe

10:00 Chalice: N. Tesh Lector: N. Tesh

Acolyte: H. Snow Ushers: Bennett, Meath Altar Guild: Bennett, Russ

Counters: April Chapel, Chuck Bohrer

Vestry & Wardens

April Chapel, Senior Warden, Bob Smith, Junior Warden, Nicky Tesh, Treasurer
Chuck Bohrer, Laurie Ryan, Sharon Lyall, Sid Chadwick, Jim Studley, Mark Snow,
Terri Smith, Clerk of the Vestry

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