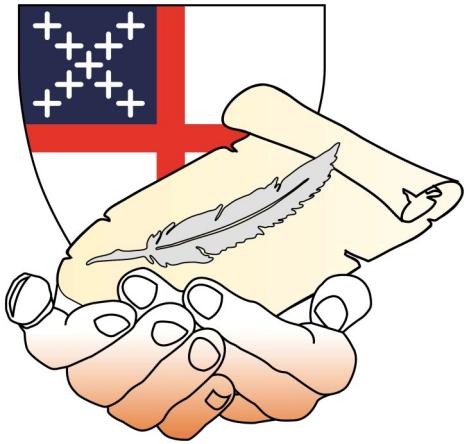


Welcome
to
St. Clement's Episcopal Church
Open Minds + Loving Hearts + Giving Hands



Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

February 1, 2026

**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

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 God of Heaven and Earth Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1887-1933)

Entrance Hymn #616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed Es flog ein kleins

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.

Collect for Purity

Hymn of Praise (sung to the tune “All creatures of our God and King”)

Through north and south and east and west
May God's im-mor-tal name be blessed:
Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!
Till ev-'ry where be-neath the sun,
God's reign be-gins, God's will is done:
Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!
Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!
Al-le-lu-ia!

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson: Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery:

and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord."

"With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Psalm 15 Domine, quis habitabit?

Sung by all



- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your **tabernacle**?*
who may abide upon your **holy hill**?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is **right**,
who speaks the truth from his **heart**.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his **friend**; *
he does not heap contempt upon his **neighbor**.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is **re-jected**, *
but he honors those who fear the **Lord**.
- 5 He has sworn to do no **wrong** *
and does not take back his **word**.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of **gain**,
nor does he take a bribe against the **innocent**.
- 7 Whoever does these **things**
shall never be over- **thrown**.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Sequence Hymn #542 Christ is the world's true Light

St. Joan

The Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The Sermon.....Rev. Mark Davidson

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People
Response: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Confession of Sin BCP p. 360

The Peace BCP p. 360

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn #554 'Tis the gift to be simple Simple Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving BCP p. 367
Sanctus S-129 Holy, Holy, Holy

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem

Cantor: *Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.*

Congregation: *Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.*

Cantor: *In the presence of our Lord we gather.*

Congregation: *In the presence of our Lord we gather.*

Cantor: *Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.*

Congregation: *Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.*

Cantor: *Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.*

Congregation: *Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.*

Communion Music Epilogue Rayond Haan (b1942)

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 366

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #438 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Woodlands

The Dismissal BCP p. 366

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 Church of the Holy Comforter, St. John's, and St. Martin's in Charlotte. 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 Steve & Cindy Lou Franke.

In Need of Healing: Laurie R.; Sharon V.; John M.; Peter L.; Brenda P.; Rev. Barbara Cook; Noelle N.; Miriam L.; Valerie E.; Shawn F.; Vivian R.; Norm; Paula M.; Sharon L.; Jane H.; Penny F.; Tava B.; Patty D.; Keith C.; Judy R.; Robbie P.; Dave K.; Sallie S.; Karen F.; Sid C.; Warren G.; Michael E.; 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.; Jerry K.; Manuel; Rick K.; Vic; Jimmy E.; Robert E.; Pat G.; Nancy M.; Werner K; 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 Clemmons Food Pantry; and for our visitors.

Birthdays:

- Week of Jan. 25th: Rick Bridges, Deborah Crow, Heather Diakos, Rob Russ, Maggie Elsner, Carobeth Bennett, Carol Zordano.
- Week of Feb. 1st: Jane Harrell, Bo Edwards, Sally Bridges, Mike Stevens, Karen Castilon, Martin Russ.

Anniversaries:

- Jan. 28th: Andres & Sharon Valdez
- Feb. 1st: TK & Helen Egan

Welcome 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.

- **Bridge Club**

Every Tuesday @ 6:30 & 7 pm (PH)

- **Stitch in Time Crafter's Group**

Every Wednesday @ 9:30 am (PH)

- **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.

Mark Your Calendars

- **Pancake Supper**

Tuesday, February 17, 6—7:30 pm (PH)

- **Ash Wednesday Services**

February 18th @ 12 noon & 7:00 pm

- **Lenten Formation Begins**

Sunday, February 22, 9 am (PH)

- **Women's Shelter Meal**

Wednesday, February 25, 6:30-8 pm

At St. Timothy's, W-S

- **Lenten Prayer Service Begins**

Wednesday, February 25 @ 5:30 pm (Nave)

Special Announcements

Construction delayed due to weather

For groups who use the parish hall to meet, the completion of the lift has been delayed along with the availability of the parish hall. We will communicate when we are fully open.

"Where Is It?" Temporary locations for common items during the lift construction.

Food Donations—parish hall

Altar flower sign-up- parish hall bulletin board

Prayer List Binder— Linda's desk

Looking for choristers

The St. Timothy's choir will be singing for Kristin Farmer's February 14 memorial service. Their Director of Music, Robert Matthews is inviting all choristers to join the group. If you are interesting in participating, contact him at (336) 706-2418 or call St. Tim's church office at (336)765-0294.

Lenten Formation

During Lent, Sunday Formation will be a discussion of chapters from *Seek and You Will Find: Discovering a Practice of Prayer* by the Rev. Rhonda Lee. This book is recommended for all looking to deepen their prayer life, reading it is not necessary to participate.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, February 1

Rite II Quiet Eucharist @ 8 am

Coffee & Conversation

Rite II w/ music @ 10 am

Tuesday, February 3

Bridge Club, 6:30 & 7 pm (PH)

Wednesday, February 4

Men's Breakfast, 8 am @ Pete's

Crafter's Group, 9:30 am (PH) ?????

Thursday, February 5

Women's Group, 10:30 am (PH) ?????

Friday, February 6

RENTAL: Al-Anon, 12-1 pm (PH) ?????

Saturday, February 7

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 Lector: C.L. Franke **Chalice:** G. Crowe

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: Pat Kight, Mary Holton

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Flowers behind the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Gail Crowe in appreciation for all those who work during adverse weather conditions, especially health care workers, emergency responders, law enforcement and linemen.

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Lay Ministry Schedule for Next Sunday, February 8

The Rev. Jamie Edwards

The Rev. Mark Davidson

8:00 Lector: J. Krause **Altar Guild:** Scardina

10:00 Chalice: B. Edwards **Lector:** S. Nash

Acolyte: B. Edwards **Ushers:** Rush **Altar Guild:** Lovett, Ellis, Nash

Counters: April Chapel, Amy Selby

Vestry & Wardens

Sharon Lyall—Senior Warden, Terri Smith—Junior Warden, Nicky Tesh—Treasurer

Laurie Ryan, Sid Chadwick, Jim Studley, Mark Snow, Mary Holton, & Amy Selby.

Shirleen Gilbert, Clerk of the Vestry

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