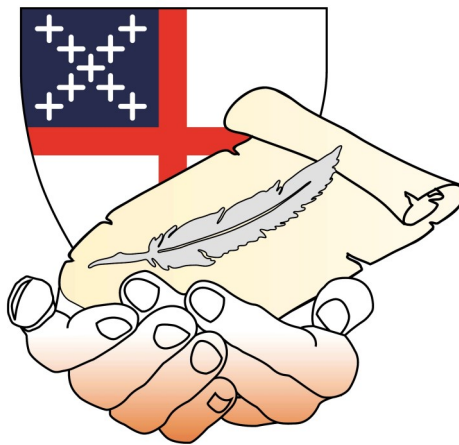


Welcome
to
St. Clement's Episcopal Church
Open Minds + Loving Hearts + Giving Hands



Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 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 A Phrygian Berceuse E. Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

Entrance Hymn #645 The King of love my shepherd is St. Columba
Stanzas 1,2 & 6

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Gloria S-278 Glory to God in the highest

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Psalm 23 *King James Version*

The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; *
he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; *
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his
Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; *
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of
mine enemies; *
thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

"He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Sequence Hymn #316

This is the hour of banquet and of song

Canticum refectiois

The Gospel: John 10:1-10

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

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. Jamie Edwards

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

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

The Peace BCP p. 360

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn #664 My Shepherd will supply my need Resignation

The Great Thanksgiving BCP p. 361

 Sanctus S-128 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 Agnus Dei Margaret Vardell Sandresky (b 1921)

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 366

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #495 Hail, thou once despised Jesus! In Babilone

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 Innocents and St. John's in Henerson. For our Companion Diocese of Costa Rica and their Bishop, Orlando Gómez, and the Diocese of Botswana and their Bishop, Metlhayotlthe Beleme.

In Our Parish Cycle of Prayer: We give thanks for Stroh & Sally Strohacker.

In Need of Healing: Penny F.; Jay F.; Shantelle F.; Heather T.; Gill W.; Daniel; Jeannette R.; Miriam L.; David K.; Marco V.; John M.; Peter L.; Noelle N.; Shawn F.; Norm; Paula M.; Jane H.; Patty D.; Keith C.; Dave K.; Sallie S.; Karen F.; Sid C.; Warren G.; Rhonda L.; Michael S.; Sylbrina K.; Bim H.; Bradley M.; Sharon F.; Myra A.; Susan G.; Pat K.; Linda H.; Bruce N.; Sandra N.; Kim S.; Jerry K.; Manuel; Rick K.; Vic; Jimmy E.; Robert E.; Pat G.; Nancy M.; Werner K; for the Kapitanek family; for the Gerhardt 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 Meals on Wheels, and for our visitors.

Birthdays: Alec Weide, Ryan Weide, Helen Egan, Jay Faircloth, Jaci Krause, Austin Diakos, Cindy Lou Franke.

For the Repose of the Soul of: Karen Fasuga, cousin of Dave Kapitanek.
Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon her.

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the family and we pray for all the deceased members of our parish.

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)

- **AA Meetings beginning May 1st**

Every Wed. & Fri., @ 6:15-7:15 am (PH)

Adding every Monday beginning June 1st.

- **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

- **Summer Newsletter deadline**

Sunday, May 24th

- **Night Out at the Ballpark / WS Dash**

Friday, June 5th.

Outreach Donations

Please consider picking up just one item a week. Shop the sale items! ANY donation is appreciated and needed! *Please, no expired food and no glass jars.*

Collection bins are currently in the lower lobby.

Special Announcements

Church Building Activity is Buzzing

We wanted to make everyone aware that our building will be home for:

- **Village Presbyterian Church**, a new church plant. They will begin using our building every 1st & 3rd Sundays now through August and then every Sunday beginning in September. They will be here Sundays 3 pm—7 pm.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous** will begin using our parish hall for meetings every Wednesday & Friday beginning May 1st. They will add a 3rd meeting day (every Monday) beginning June 1st. They will be here 5:30 am-7:45 am.

We kindly ask everyone to please give our guests their privacy while they are here as well as making sure it is clean & ready for their use.

Church Office Hours

Linda will be out of the office Wed. 4/29 & Thurs. 4/30.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, April 26

Rite II w/ music @ 8 am

Coffee & Conversation (PH)

Rite II w/ music @ 10 am

RENTAL: App Strings, 2-4 pm (Nave)

Tuesday, April 28

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

Wednesday, April 29

Church office closed

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

Thursday, April 30

Church office closed

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

Friday, May 1

RENTAL: Alcoholics Anonymous, 5:30-7:45 am

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

Saturday, May 2

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: Y. Nagaishi **Lector:** L. Gerhardt

Acolyte: Y. Nagaishi **Altar Guild:** Patterson

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

Acolyte: Booth **Ushers:** Russ, Selby **Altar Guild:** Bucknall, Smith

Counters: Nicky Tesh, Jim Studley

*Flowers behind the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Carole Witte
in memory of her parents, Ivan and Helen Mitchell.*

Lay Ministry Schedule for Next Sunday, May 3

The Rev. Jamie Edwards
The Rev. Mark Davidson

8:00 Chalice: G. Crowe **Lector:** D. Guthrie

Acolyte: G. Crowe **Altar Guild:** Crowe

10:00 Chalice: B. Edwards **Lector:** M. Bromfield

Acolyte: B. Edwards **Ushers:** Bennett, Meath **Altar Guild:** Bennett, Russ

Counters: April Chapel, Tom Erickson

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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