

Summer
2025
(June, July, August)



Clement Times

The official newspaper of St. Clement's Episcopal Church

Sunday Service
8:00 a.m. Quiet Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Rite II w music

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Our Graduates!



- ◆ Nelson Russ, son of Rob & Kirsten Russ, graduated on May 10th from Surry Community College with a Mechatronics Associates Degree. He now works full time with Piedmont Automation.
- ◆ Henry Rush, grandson of Howard & Judy Rush, graduated from North Forsyth High School and will be going to Forsyth Tech.
- ◆ Hunter David Tutterow, grandson of Sharon & Andres Valdez, graduated from UNCG on May 9th, 2025 with a Bachelor's degree in Business. He is a manager at The Food Lion in Walnut Cove and plans to stay there for the immediate future.
- ◆ Jonathan Miner, grandson of Don & Burnie Patterson, earned his Master of Science degree in Computer Engineering from NC State University, and he started his job in early April with Radiance Technologies.
- ◆ Rachel Miner, granddaughter of Don & Burnie Patterson, earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, also from NC State University, and will attend Elon University to become a Physical Therapist.
- ◆ Daniel Miner, grandson of Don & Burnie Patterson, graduated from Reagan High School and will attend UNC Charlotte with plans to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Engineering and Electrical Engineering.
- ◆ Bailey Reutinger, granddaughter of Don & Lois Gerhardt, graduated from Elon college with a bachelor's in epidemiology. She plans to attend Yale University in August for her master's degree.
- ◆ Celeste Summers, granddaughter of Don & Lois Gerhardt, graduated as the Salutatorian from Reagan High School. She will study Political Science at the University of Virginia.
- ◆ Caroline Lovett, granddaughter of Miriam Lovett, graduated from Reynolds H.S. and will be heading to UNC-Chapel Hill.

Other Notable Milestones....

- ◆ Don & Burnie Patterson's daughter, Navy Captain Christine R. O'Connell, has officially retired as of May 31. She is currently on terminal leave after 29 years of active duty in the Navy.
- ◆ Andrew Ellis, son of Robert and Lee, was promoted to the rank of Lt. Commander in the US Navy. His promotion came while serving with his Marine unit in South Korea on joint training exercises. Andrew is a physician's assistant, "Doc" to his Marine corpsmen.

Congratulations to all for a job well done!

A Message from Your Senior Warden
By April Chapel

I hope that everyone has had a chance to look at the work that Bob Dalton spearheaded in the Memorial Garden! I'm proud that our nondescript memorial garden has become what it is! The plan for memorial bricks will be a great addition! You can find more information on this project, as well as an order form, in this newsletter. And while I'm on the subject, a big thank you to the Memorial Garden Guild who keep it looking clean and tidy.

I do want to take this opportunity to thank everyone that gets things done behind the scenes! I do not know everything that our volunteers do, but I do know that many hands make light work! Our lawn mowers and trimmers are a great group that do not get enough kudos! For some reason the old Budweiser commercial, Real Men of Genius theme sprung in my head, so "Here's to you" in a thoughtful, appreciative manner!

We are still working on a solution for an elevator/lift, hopefully, by the grace of God, we will have a resolution soon!

It's a great thing to see new faces every Sunday, let's make sure we hold true to our reputation and warmly welcome our visitors and new members!

Jr Warden Report
By Bob Smith

Completed: And a big thank you to all the volunteers that helped to check off the tasks in the list below. Your help is much appreciated!

- Sprayed weed killer on parking lot cracks , muck out around hay bales.
- Added mulch at plants by paved handicap parking spaces and parking lot islands.
- New plantings done at front entry way, church sign, bed by HVAC Units, Memorial Garden, flower bed at south side of church.
- Robert Dalton continues to maintain front lawn and memorial garden.
- Volunteers that mow the grass on the remainder of property.
- Ordered mobile rack for name tags.
- Installed sample buff colored brick at memorial garden entryway pavers.
- Tiller hauled to scrap yard.
- Installed faucet stems at kitchen sink, and flush lever at a commode.

To do:

- Place inscription orders for memorial garden memorial pavers.
- Paint church.
- Wash out gutter above rector's office windows.
- Elevator/lift installation?
- Fix torn paper at cupola- exterior cupola night light?

Financial Update
By Nicky Tesh, Treasurer

Year-to-date April financials continue to be within the operating budget.

Operating Fund Revenues:

Total \$88,004, which is ahead of the budget by 7%,. This is driven by unpledged contributions. Many thanks go out to the Congregation.

Expenses:

Total \$65,254, which is favorable to the budget by 3%. Building expenses are unfavorable to the budget by \$4,500. This expense will be reclassified to the temporary restricted funds account, which will be reflected in the June financials. All other category expenses are either on budget or favorable to the budget.

Full financials are available upon request.

What did God's people say
when food fell from Heaven?

"Oh man-na!"

St. Clement's Jail Ministry
By Deacon Mark Davidson

In our most recent newsletter, I extended an invitation to the parish to participate in St. Clement's ministry to the jail and prison in Forsyth County. I am happy to report that we've had three more members accept that invitation and attend the required jail training offered this past April at College Park Baptist Church. We welcome Rick and Lois Kolbe to our jail team and welcome back Janice Weeks, a returning member, that took a little time off from jail ministry. Our next scheduled service at the jail will be Sunday, June 8th and we look forward to sharing the gospel and communion with all who are in attendance.

Additionally, on the jail ministry front, a group of fifteen St. Clement's members and friends gathered at the downtown jail on Friday, May 16th and participated in the annual Forsyth Jail and Prison Ministries "Circle the Jail" event. We stood together on Chestnut St. in prayer from 5:30 to 6:00 that evening in support of the incarcerated who gratefully acknowledged our presence by tapping on the windows of their cells. It was a very moving experience of Christian witness. At the conclusion of the prayer circle event several of us met at Cugino Forno Pizza in the innovation quarter for good food and conversation. It was a very enjoyable and fulfilling evening and we'll look forward to doing it all again next year. Everyone's invited!

Opportunities for the Men of the Parish

Monthly Breakfast

The men of the church meet at Pete's Restaurant in Clemmons the first Wednesday of every month at 8:00 am for breakfast. Please join us.

Saturday Morning Men's Hour

10 am - 11 am in our Parish Hall

St. Clement's will begin a Saturday morning in-person conversation hour at 10:00 for the men of the Parish. Coffee, fellowship and interesting discussions will begin this Saturday, March 29. We previously had in-person meetings at 8:00 on Saturday mornings before Covid interrupted our lives. Those meetings transitioned to Zoom calls. There have been inquiries about holding later, in-person meetings on Saturday morning so we have decided we're going to meet at 10:00. Note: The 8:00 Zoom meetings will continue for those participants. We hope to see you guys at St. Clement's for this relaxing hour of conversation.

Men's Group

Saturdays @ 8 am via Zoom

Our long-standing Men's Group meets every Saturday morning **via Zoom** beginning at 8 am. This is open to all the men of the parish. Our discussions are in a round-robin format where each member shares thoughts and experiences in the areas of Piety (a moment closest to Christ), Study (reading), and Action (Putting our faith into action). We are continuing meeting virtually because we had other parishes join us during Covid and who would like to continue this.

Thank you!

To our church family, Mother Jamie, and Deacon Mark,

It is with profound thanks to you all for your prayers and support during Robert's time of illness and his passing. I can not think of a more supportive church family! The cards, kind words, notes of comfort have meant more than you all could know. He would be so proud of you all for your compassion and support to our entire family. He loved his church family and would want you all to continue in our little church's mission.

Keep the Faith and PLAY BALL!

Love,

Amy

Robin, Will, Andrew, Alec, Aaron, Abigail, and Aiden Munster

Sarah and Madelyne Selby

Matthew, Nicole, Claire, Tyler, Grant, and Jack Selby

Anne, Nathan, Ava, and Emma Tyree

St. Clement's Women's Group

By Cindy Lou Franke

If you've ever wondered why a growing number of ladies from St. Clement's gather together in the Parish Hall on Thursday mornings from 10:30 till noon, this summer is the perfect time for you to check us out. Not only do our Women's Group sessions bring us inspiration for our personal spiritual journeys through life, but we have fun, fellowship, and, sometimes, food!!

We're starting the summer by finishing up our entertaining but educational video series by the renowned storyteller/preacher/author Max Lucado. It's called "In the Footsteps of the Savior," with inspiring messages filmed on-site at various Holy Land sites where the scriptural stories took place. Then, beginning June 19th, we're excited to start watching together the long-awaited fifth season of *The Chosen* about Holy Week - from Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to the Last Supper. As we've done with the first four seasons, we will watch each episode, then discuss the points that stuck out to each of us as we learn from each other. Watching and discussing together is a pinnacle, perhaps even life-changing experience!

Anyone in the parish is welcome to join us. There's no homework, and attendance is totally voluntary, as personal schedules permit. Our hope is that, once you come try us, you'll never want to miss another session. For more information, talk to any of the (now-20!) members of St. Clement's Women's Group or contact Cindy Lou Franke at (717) 658-3211 or cindylou163@hotmail.com. Come grow with us, and we'll look for you on Thursdays!

Attention, ALL Lay Ministers!

Deadline for the 3rd quarter schedule (July, Aug, Sept.) is Wednesday, June 18th. Please email the office any dates you are unable to serve.



Please give a warm welcome to our newest members, Billy, Mary, and Lilly Holton who are transferring from St. Paul's in Winston-Salem. We are so glad they have decided to join our church family!

We Need You!

We can't have Sunday services without our Lay Ministers and we really need more volunteers to serve as acolytes. This is open to everyone. We would love to get you on the upcoming schedule for July, August, & September. Talk with Deacon Mark for more information!

The Holy Spirit Walks With Me

*The Holy Spirit walks with me and tells me when I stray;
He sees my every stumble and points me to the Way.
He's always near to comfort me
when I am sore and depressed;
And with Him always by my side, I am forever blessed!
I know He'll never forsake me here,
and gratitude I give
To Him who ever walks with me while on this earth I live.
And when at last I take my flight-
Albeit night or day-
When Jesus comes to claim His own,
He'll guide me on my way.*

-Luther Albright

Office Hours

Office Manager Linda Turley will be away on a *honest to goodness real vacation* July 6 through July 17. The office will be closed during that time. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please call Mother Jamie on her cell phone. If there is a problem with the building and grounds contact our Junior Warden, Bob Smith. If you have any other problems or concerns, contact Senior Warden, April Chapel. The office will reopen on Monday, July 21st. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.



Father's Day Breakfast June 15th!

Bring breakfast nibbles to share, and let's celebrate the special men in our lives on Sunday the 15th at 9 a.m. We're overdue for a parish breakfast, so let's make this a fun one!



St. Clement's Memorial Garden Memorial Bricks

A way to mark a sacred place for loved ones whose remains are elsewhere.

Bricks are 8" x 4" with three lines of text, up to 20 characters each (including spaces).

The laser engraving technique "burns" into the face of the brick creating a glass surface that is naturally black and completely permanent.



Examples:

IN MEMORY OF
JACK & JILL
JEHOSHAPHAT

IN MEMORY OF
JILL JEHOSEPHAT
1950 - 2020

IN MEMORY OF
PFC DAVID DUDLEY
USMC

Guidelines:

--We request that 'IN MEMORY OF' be used for the top line to maintain a consistency that is in keeping with the original design of the Memorial Garden.

--We request that the memorial bricks only be used for human loved ones. We can design a separate pet memorial if there is a strong desire.

--Once 25 bricks have been purchased, we can place the order.

Order Form

Early Bird Special! \$40 each, if order and payment received by July 1, 2025.

\$50 each thereafter. (All proceeds will be used for Memorial Garden maintainance.)

IN MEMORY OF

Date: _____

Your name: _____

Amount paid: _____

(Checks payable to *St. Clement's*, memo:
Memorial Brick)