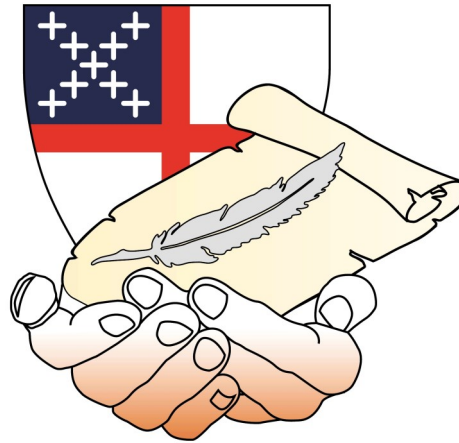


Welcome
to
St. Clement's Episcopal Church
Open Minds + Loving Hearts + Giving Hands



Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 19, 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 Matthew T. Phillips, Associate 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 Dundee arr. Alfred V. Fedak (b1953)

Entrance Hymn #365 Come, thou almighty King *Moscow*

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 #507 Praise the Spirit in creation Julion
Stanza 6

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 44:6-8

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel,
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,
let them declare and set it forth before me.

Who has announced from of old the things to come?
Let them tell us what is yet to be.

Do not fear, or be afraid;
have I not told you from of old and declared it?
You are my witnesses!

Is there any god besides me?
There is no other rock; I know not one.

Psalms 86:11-17 *Inclina, Domine*

Sung by all



- 11 Teach me your way, O LORD,
and I will walk in your **truth**; *
knit my heart to you that I may fear your **Name**.
- 12 I will thank you, O LORD my God, with all my **heart**, *
and glorify your Name for ever/**more**.
- 13 For great is your love **toward me**; *
you have delivered me from the nethermost **Pit**.
- 14 The arrogant rise up against me, O God,
and a band of violent men seeks my **life**; *
they have not set you before their **eyes**.
- 15 But you, O LORD, are gracious and full of com/**passion**, *
slow to anger, and full of kindness and **truth**.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy up/**on me**; *
give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your **handmaid**.
- 17 Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be a/**shamed**; *
because you, O LORD, have helped me and **comforted me**.

Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-25

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own

will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Sequence Hymn #302 Father, we thank thee who hast planted Rendez a Dieu

The Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

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. Matthew Phillips

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People
 Response: ***hear us, O God.***

Confession of Sin BCP p. 360

The Peace BCP p. 360

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn #593 Lord, make us servants of your peace Dickinson College
 Stanzas 1,2 & 5

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 Pavaesque Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 366

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #665 All my hope on God is founded Michael

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, Mark, and Matthew, our clergy. For All Saints' in Roanoke Rapids and Church of the Messiah in Rockingham. 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 Chuck & Connie Bohrer.

In Need of Healing: Marilyn G.; Dawn S.; Tony L.; Dot H.; Rick K. Lois K. Vivian R.; Jack R.; Lee E.; Nicky T.; Don P.; Keith C.; Bim H.; Penny F.; Jay F.; Shantelle F.; Heather T.; Gill W.; Daniel; Jeannette R.; Miriam L.; David K.; John M.; Jane H.; Patty D.; Dave K.; Sallie S.; Sid C.; Warren G.; Rhonda L.; Michael S.; Sylbrina K.; Bradley M.; Sharon F.; Myra A.; Susan G.; Pat K.; Linda H.; Kim S.; Jerry K.; Rick K.; Jimmy E.; Robert E.; Nancy M.; Werner K; for the Snow family; for the Nash 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 Open Doors Ministries, and for our visitors.

Birthdays: Mary Holton, Dick Hebert, Karen Stevens, Lois Kolbe.

Anniversaries: Howard & Judy Rush.

For the Repose of the Soul of: Jackie Snow, mother of Mark Snow.

*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.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, July 19

Rite II w/ music @ 8 am
Coffee, conversation, & formation
Rite II w/ music @ 10 am
Women's Jail service, 3:15 pm
RENTAL: Village Presbyterian, 3-7 pm

Monday, July 20

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

Tuesday, July 21

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

Wednesday, July 22

RENTAL: Alcoholics Anonymous, 5:30-7:45 am
Crafter's Group?, 9:30 am (PH)*** *see below*

Thursday, July 23

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

Friday, July 24

RENTAL: Alcoholics Anonymous, 5:30-7:45 am
RENTAL: Al Anon, 12-1 pm (PH)

Saturday, July 25

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

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.

Special Announcements

Altar Flower Sign Ups

The sign up sheet is now back in the Narthex.

Outreach Donations

Summer months means children who are provided with free/assisted meals in school are not receiving them and their families rely on our community food pantries. Please donate. Shop the sale items! ANY donation is appreciated and needed!

Please, no expired food and no glass jars.

Donations can be placed in the lower cabinet of the newly installed narthex counter or in the downstairs bins located in the lower lift lobby.

Prayer Shawls and Prayer Cards

Do you have a loved one on our prayer list? Give them a prayer shawl, located in the blue bin in the downstairs lobby next to the lift. These shawls are lovingly made by ladies of our parish. Be sure to ask Mother Jamie to bless it for you. We also have Prayer Cards available to let your loved ones know that they are being prayed for by the members of St. Clement's. These Prayer Cards are located in the "Prayer List" binder located on the counter in the narthex. Feel free to take as many or as often as you need.

Opportunities for Engagement

- **Men's Breakfast**
Every first Wednesday, 8 am @ Pete's.
- **Bridge Club**
Every Tuesday @ 6:30 & 7 pm (PH)
- **Mahjong**
Every Tuesday @ 6:30 & 7 pm (PH)
- **Crafter's Group** (*contact Gail Crowe*)***
Occasional Wednesdays @ 9:30 am (PH)
- **Women's Group**
Every Thursday @ 10:30 am (PH)
- **AA Meetings**
Every Mon., Wed. & Fri., @ 6:15-7:15 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.

Lay Ministers Serving this Week

8:00 **Chalice:** Y. Nagaishi **Lector:** D. Guthrie
Acolyte: Y. Nagaishi **Altar Guild:** Russ, Bucknall

10:00 **Chalice:** N. Tesh **Lector:** N. Tesh
Acolyte: Booth **Ushers:** Kight **Altar Guild:** Bucknall, Lyall
Counters: Kirsten Russ, Luci Lazorchak

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*Flowers behind the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Tony & Sharon Lyall
in honor of all their wonderful friends here at St. Clement's.*

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Lay Ministry Schedule for Next Sunday, July 26

8:00 **Chalice:** T. Zordano **Lector:** D. Guthrie
Acolyte: T. Zordano **Altar Guild:**

10:00 **Lector:** M. Seeds
Acolyte: H. Snow **Ushers:** Rush **Altar Guild:** Smith
Counters: Sharon Lyall, Mark Snow

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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