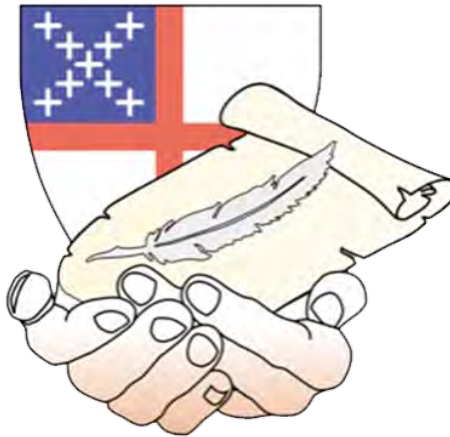


St Clement's Episcopal

Open Minds + Loving Hearts + Giving Hands



A Celebration of Unity with Moravians October 11, 2026

8:00 AM Spoken Liturgy
10:00 AM Liturgy with music

A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina

The Rt. Rev. Samuel S. Rodman III, *Bishop of North Carolina*

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

The Rev. Jamie L'Enfant Edwards, *Rector*

The Rev. Matthew T. Phillips, *Associate Rector*

The Rev. Mark Davidson, *Deacon*

John Farmer, *Director of Music*

By permission of Bishop Rodman, this special service is being led by the Reverend David Guthrie, Moravian minister and former president of the Provincial Elders' Conference of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church.

Members of the Moravian tradition created much of the religious and civic landscape of Forsyth County, starting with the original survey of the Wachovia tract that began here in Clemmons in 1752.

In 2011, the Episcopal and Moravian Churches inaugurated a full communion agreement, recognizing each other's ordained ministries and cooperating in worship and mission while retaining our historical identities. The Rev. David Guthrie is one of the signatories to that agreement.

Moravians have general, seasonal, and occasional liturgies, including the "Stewardship" liturgy that forms the basis for today's worship. This liturgy, which celebrates the gifts of God and our responsibility to care for them, is appropriate as we give thanks for our inherited tradition, this region that Moravians have cared for since 1752 and Episcopalians have worshipped in since 1853, and the legacy of generosity we inherit from nearly 275 years of faithful worshippers.

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Welcome and Announcements

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

Processional Hymn "Come, let us sing the song of songs"

Wareham

Verses 1, 3, and 5

1 Come, let us sing the song of songs, with hearts and
2 Slain to re - deem us by his blood, to cleanse from
3 To him who suf - fered on the tree our souls, at
4 To him, en - throned by fil - ial right, all pow'r in

voic - es swell the strain, the hom - age which to Christ be -
ev - 'ry sin - ful stain, and make us kings and priests to
his soul's price, to gain, bless - ing, and praise, and glo - ry
heav'n and earth pro - claim, hon - or, and maj - es - ty and

longs: "Wor - thy the Lamb, for he was slain!"
God; "Wor - thy the Lamb, for he was slain!"
be: "Wor - thy the Lamb, for he was slain!"
might: "Wor - thy the Lamb, for he was slain!"

5 Long as we live, and when we die,
and while in heav'n with him we reign,
this song, our song of songs shall be:
"Worthy the Lamb, for he was slain!"

The Liturgy for Stewardship

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God, creator of all things visible and invisible, powerful beyond measure, good beyond all understanding.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Choral Response

"Join Hearts and Voices"

Duke Street

Join hearts and voices as we lift our grat - i -

tude for ev - 'ry gift, and mul - ti - ply each

gift with praise to God who gives us all our days.

The Liturgy for Stewardship (cont'd)

Lord, our God, you bring forth and nourish every living being.

We lift up our hearts to you.

We assemble here celebrating the joys of human life, shared one with the other. We recall the ministry of Jesus, crucified and raised up for our salvation, still present among us through the mystery of the Holy Spirit.

We praise you for new life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Confessing that we have strayed from your holy will, we humbly acknowledge our sins before you.

Kneeling or sitting.

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in many ways, times, and places. We have mishandled this good earth entrusted to our care, and we have misused our personal gifts, hurting both ourselves and others. Forgive our false pride which hides our negligence, and forgive our careless acts which destroy your handiwork. In your mercy correct our faults and restore us to responsible, compassionate living.

Confession continues in silence.

Hear and know that the Lord is good. God forgives those who are contrite in heart. Live in peace, for God's steadfast love endures forever.

If kneeling, move to sit.

Choral Response "O holy God, whose gracious pow'r redeems us" *Welwyn*

WELWYN

O ho - ly God, whose gra - cious pow'r re - deems us,
make us, by faith, true stew - ards of your grace;
help us to hear and heed Christ's great com - mis - sion,
shar - ing good news in this our time and place.

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Liturgy for Stewardship (cont'd)

Let us taste and see that the Lord is good. Let us be grateful for all that God has provided.

Inspire us, God of mercy, to be thankful for what we have received.

Let our lives resound with the wonder and beauty of all that God has been creating from the beginning. As caretakers of creation, may we learn anew to enjoy the land, preserve the water, respect all living creatures, and meditate upon the grandeur of open sky and sea.

Teach us, God of creation, to walk the earth with gratitude and wisdom.

Let our eyes be opened to the needs of all people, especially the poor.

Move us, God of justice, to share what we have and to be just and merciful in our nation and the world.

Let us hear God's call to the urgent tasks of our time: studies to pursue, projects to begin, communities to build, individuals to support, damages to restore.

Use us, God of the covenant — use our time, our talent, our treasure.

Choral response

"Bless, Lord, the labor"

Buinessan



The Lessons

The First Lesson

Isaiah 25:1–9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt.

Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the

needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Psalm 23

Dominus regit me

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- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

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

The Second Lesson

Philippians 4:1–9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Sequence Hymn

"Jesus makes my heart rejoice"

Hayn



Je - sus makes my heart re - joice, I'm his sheep and
Trust - ing his mild staff al - ways, I go in and
Should not I for glad - ness leap, led by Je - sus



know his voice; he's a Shep - herd, kind and gra - cious,
out in peace; he will feed me with the treas - ure,
as his sheep? For, when these blessed days are o - ver,



and his pas - tures are de - li - cious; con - stant love to
of his grace in rich - est meas - ure; when a - thirst to
to the arms of my dear Sav - ior I shall be con -



me he shows, yea, my ver - y name he knows.
him I cry, liv - ing wa - ter he'll sup - ply.
veyed to rest. A - men, yea, my lot is blessed.

The Gospel

Matthew 22:1–14

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Sermon

The Rev. David Guthrie

The Prayers of the People

Response: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Offertory Hymn 343 “Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless”

St. Agnes

The Liturgy for Stewardship (cont'd)

Sitting.

Our Creator God calls us to become the servant body of Christ, ministering to the world, and grants us the blessings of membership in the holy, universal church.

We thank you for our place in the church.

The Spirit of the Lord fills this house. God delights in its beauty and sings through the music of the faithful. God speaks by the reading and proclamation of the word, stirs in the waters of baptism, nourishes through the gifts of bread and wine. God hears the prayers of the people and rejoices in our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

We thank you for your presence and power among us.

The Lord gathers us into the fellowship of this congregation. Here we share our spiritual gifts and employ them to build up the body. Some of us teach and proclaim, some shepherd and heal, some lead and administer, some serve, prophesy, and evangelize. All of us dwell in God's love, and all pray for one another in the peace of Jesus Christ our Lord.

We offer our gifts to honor your holy name and to strengthen one another in faith.

God calls us to commit our financial resources to the building of the kingdom, to tithe, and to give generously of our wealth in proportion to the blessings we have received.

Search our hearts and try our ways that we might give to your glory, O God.

Jesus leads us onward in the high mission of the church. We proclaim the gospel to all nations by word and deed, that people everywhere may find new life in God.

We hear your call. We pledge the best of our labors that your glory may be known in all the earth.

Let us now rise to serve God. Let us renew our commitment to Christ's call for servanthood, obedience, and sacrifice to establish a world of justice, prosperity, and peace.

We rise as one to love and serve the Lord!

Standing

Choral Response

"Lord of all good"

Toulon

TOULON

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;

use them your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill;

to - kens of love and pledg - es brought a - new,

that our whole life is of - fered to your will.

The Liturgy for Stewardship (cont'd)

May the words of our lips and the meditations of our hearts —

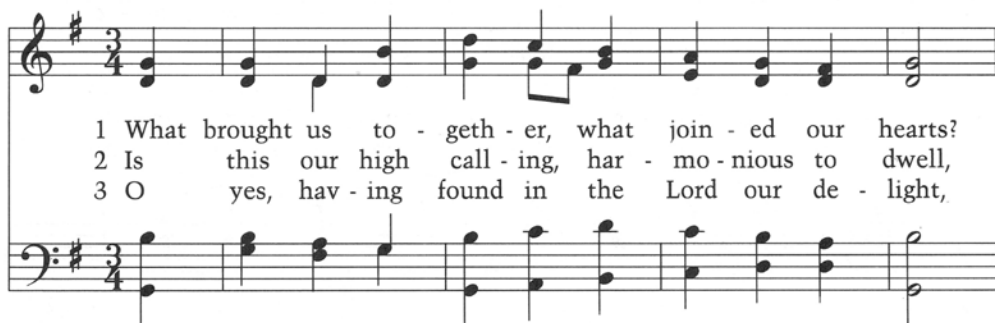
May the deeds of our hands and the action of our lives —

Be pleasing in your sight, O God our Creator.

Through Christ our Lord, and the Holy Spirit,

One God of all, world without end.

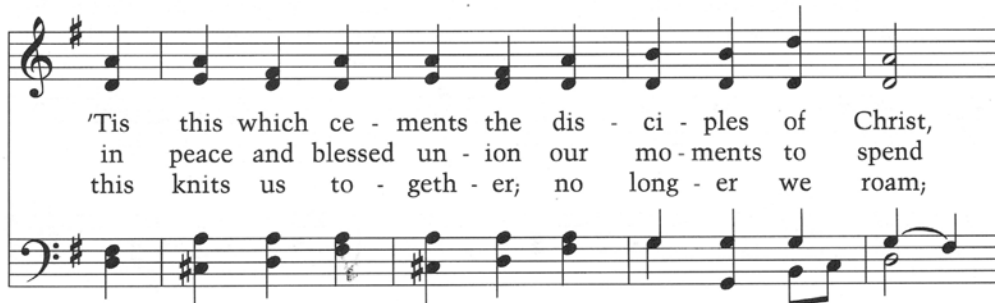
Amen!



1 What brought us to - geth - er, what join - ed our hearts?
2 Is this our high call - ing, har - mo - nious to dwell,
3 O yes, hav - ing found in the Lord our de - light,



The par - don which Je - sus, our High Priest, im - parts;
and thus in sweet con - cert Christ's prais - es to tell,
he is our chief ob - ject by day and by night;



'Tis this which ce - ments the dis - ci - ples of Christ,
in peace and blessed un - ion our mo - ments to spend
this knits us to - geth - er; no long - er we roam;



who are in - to one by the Spir - it bap - tized.
and live in com - mun - ion with Je - sus our Friend?
we all have one Fa - ther, and heav'n is our home.

Prayers for the 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 Christ's Beloved Community, St. Anne's, and St. Paul's in Winston-Salem. 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 Gail Crowe.

In Need of Healing

Jaci K.; John K.; Mary Margaret; James; Larry; Helen P.; Janice M.; Jim S.; Georgie & Lisa D.; Beverly G.; Pat K.; Jerry K.; Carol Z.; Karen Y.; Debbie M.; Ann W.; Aletha J.; Laurie R.; Jim S.; Marilyn G.; Mary Ann S.; Ken C.; Dot H.; Jack R.; Lee E.; Nicky T.; Don P.; Keith C.; Bim H.; Penny F.; Shantelle F.; Heather T.; Gill W.; Daniel; Jeannette R.; Miriam L.; David K.; John M.; Pat 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.; for the Davis family; for the Zordano & Young 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 Lee Ellis and the Every Member Matters Committee and for our visitors.

Birthdays

David Krause, Jim Studley.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Announcements

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! Just look for the blue nametags for members of our Vestry.

Would you like to become a member?

Please ask for a gold registration form.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, October 11

Spoken Liturgy @ 8 am
Coffee, conversation, & Formation Hour -
*Q&A on Moravian Tradition with the
Rev. David Guthrie*
Liturgy with music @ 10 am
RENTAL: Village Presbyterian, 3-7 pm

Monday, October 12

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

Tuesday, October 13

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

Wednesday, October 14

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

Thursday, October 15

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

Friday, October 16

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

Saturday, October 17

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

CROP Walk

Sunday, October 18, 1:30/2:30 pm

Pledge Ingathering

Sunday, October 25th

Linda's Goodbye Breakfast

Sunday, October 25 (between the services)

Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, November 1

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)

Women's Group

Every Thursday @ 10:30 am (PH)

AA Meetings

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

AI-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

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pledge Forms

Please return your pledge forms by Sunday, October 25, so that the preliminary 2027 budget can be compiled and ready for the November 1 Annual Parish Meeting. Thank you for your continued generosity.

CROP Walk—Sunday, October 18th

Support with your donation, your feet--or both! Scan the QR code to contribute and / or sign up to walk. CROP Hunger Walk is a community-wide, interfaith event sponsored by Church World Service (CWS) to raise money and awareness to end local and global hunger. **Local Impact:** Up to 25% of the money raised stays right in the host community to support local food pantries, soup kitchens, and feeding programs. **Global Impact:** The remaining 75% supports international development, clean water projects, sustainable agriculture, and disaster relief.



Our Shared Ministry

8:00	Lector	L. Gerhardt
	Altar Guild	Scardina
10:00	Lector	P. Kight
	Ushers	Smith
	Altar Guild	Lovett, Ellis
	Counters	Pat Kight, Kirsten Russ

*Flowers behind the Altar are given to the Glory of God by
Denny & Debi Boyce in honor of their sweet granddaughter,
Mariana, on her 10th birthday.*

Lay Ministry Schedule for Next Sunday, October 18

8:00	Chalice	T. Zordano
	Lector	D. Guthrie
	Acolyte	T. Zordano
	Altar Guild	Russ, Bucknall
10:00	Chalice	B. Edwards
	Lector	S. Nash
	Acolyte	B. Edwards
	Ushers	McIntosh
	Altar Guild	Bucknall, Lyall
	Counters	Kirsten Russ, Bob Smith

Vestry & Wardens

Sharon Lyall, *Senior Warden*; Terri Smith, *Junior Warden*; Nicky Tesh, *Treasurer*; Laurie Ryan, Sid Chadwick, Jim Studley, Mark Snow, Mary Holton, and Amy Selby. Shirleen Gilbert, *Clerk of the Vestry*.



The St. Clement's church building was designed to reflect the area's Moravian heritage, echoing the "bonnet" or "eyebrow" archway that is common to Moravian buildings in the archway of the porte-cochère and the arched toplights of the nave windows.

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