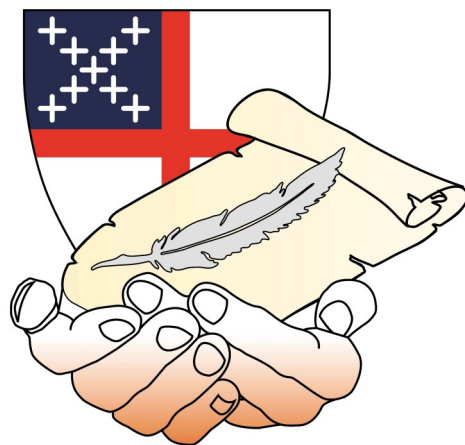


Welcome
to
St. Clement's Episcopal Church
Open Minds + Loving Hearts + Giving Hands



Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2025

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

The Lord my Shepherd is, Psalm 23

Anton Dvorak (1841-1904)

Elizabeth Pacheco Rose, soprano

Entrance Hymn #150

Forty days and forty nights
Stanzas 1, 2 & 3

Aus der Tiefe

Penitential Order BCP p. 351 (*Book of Common Prayer*)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever.

The Confession of Sin

BCP p. 352

Trisagion S-102

Holy God, Holy and Mighty (*Sung 3 times*)

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson: Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of

that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM Who I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Psalm 63:1-8 Deus, Deus meus

- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
 my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
 as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.
- 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
 that I might behold your power and your glory.
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
 my lips shall give you praise.
- 4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
 and lift up my hands in your Name.
- 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
 and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- 6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
 and meditate on you in the night watches.
- 7 For you have been my helper, *
 and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
- 8 My soul clings to you; *
 your right hand holds me fast.

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Sequence Hymn #439

What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

The Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them--do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

The Sermon.....The Rev. Jamie Edwards

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

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

The Peace BCP p. 360

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn #686 Come, thou fount of every blessing Nettleton

The Great Thanksgiving BCP p. 361
Sanctus S-130 Holy, holy, holy Lord

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem
S-164 Jesus, Lamb of God

Communion Music Ave Maria Bach/ C. Gounod (1818-1893)
Elizabeth Pacheco Rose, soprano

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 366

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #636 How firm a foundation Foundation
Stanza 1 - Solo
Stanza 2 - All sing
Stanza 3 - Men only
Stanza 4 - Women only
Stanza 5 - All sing

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 St. Stephen's in Erwin, Trinity in Fuquay-Varina. 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 Laurie Ryan.

In Need of Healing: Michael E.; Carobeth B.; Pat M.; Mickie M.; Chuck B.; Donna M.; Miriam L.; Tony L.; Jane H.; Burnie P.; Dave K.; Rhonda L.; Michael S.; Sylbrina K.; Dot H.; Jaci K.; Robert S.; Barbara B.; Shantelle F.; Zion F.; Gill W.; Bim H.; Lillie W.; Bradley M.; Sharon F.; Jean F.; Fran S.; Don G.; Laura M.; Myra A.; Susan G.; Gerard S.; Pat K.; Linda H.; Donna P.; Bruce N.; Sandra N.; Kim S.; Heather T.; Glenda W.; Jerry K.; Manuel; Rick K.; Vic; Pat M.; Jimmy E.; Robert E.; Pat G.; Nancy M.; Werner K.; for the Selby 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; Christine O'Connell; 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 Habitat for Humanity, and for our visitors.

Birthdays: Sharon Lyall.

Anniversaries: Robert & Dalida Bucknall.

Introducing our guest soloist...

Please give a warm welcome to Elizabeth Pacheco Rose. A northern Virginia native, she studied at the Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music for her doctoral work. Previous to this she lived in Italy where she studied and performed. She was awarded a Master's Degree in Music from the University of Illinois, Urbana and a Bachelor's Degree in Music from the University of Colorado, Boulder. She excels on the operatic stage, as well as in concert, recital, and musical theatre. She resides in Winston-Salem with her husband Saxton Rose and their two children where she is Visiting Professor of Voice at Wake Forest University.

Welcome to our Seekers and 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.

Outreach Needs

Clemmons Food Pantry and Storehouse

for Jesus: Please, remember our local food pantries when you do your weekly shopping. Pick up just one extra item to donate. Remember, no expired food. Leave donations in the appropriate bin under the narthex counter. **No glass jars, please.*

- **Clemmons Food Pantry**
Rice, dry beans, baking items, and snacks
- **Storehouse for Jesus**
Personal care items, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies & children's clothing
- **Snacks for Morgan**
Individually wrapped healthy snacks.
- **Crisis Control**
Spare change in our collection jug.

Mark Your Calendars

- **Lenten Evening Prayer**
Wednesdays: 3/26, 4/2, 4/9.
- **Easter Flower donation deadline**
Sunday, April 13
- **Maundy Thursday Liturgy**
Thursday, April 17, 7:30 pm
- **Good Friday Service**
Friday, April 18, 12 noon
- **Easter Sunday Services**
Sunday, April 20, TBA
- **Night Out at the Ballpark / WS Dash**
Friday, June 13th

Special Announcements

April / May Newsletter Submissions

Please email Linda any items you would like to include in the upcoming newsletter. We welcome committee/group updates, calendar events, personal milestones, invitations to help with a charity you volunteer for, etc. The deadline for all submissions is Sun. March 23. Early submissions are always appreciated.

Lenten Evening Prayer

Come and join us as we gather for a contemplative service of Evening Prayer to be offered every Wednesday at 5:45 p.m., beginning on March 12th and continuing through Wednesday April 9th. All are welcome to a quiet mid-week opportunity for solace and reflection as we share the sacred words of the service of Rite I Evening Prayer.

We Need You!

Are You Feeling Called to Serve?

We need more Lay Ministers!
8 am Lectors, acolytes, and chalicists
10 am Acolytes, chalicists, and ushers
Please reach out to Mother Jamie, Deacon Mark, or Linda .

The Week Ahead

Sunday, March 23

Rite II Quiet Eucharist @ 8 am
Coffee & Conversation, 8:30-9 am (PH)
Formation, 9-9:45 am (PH)
Rite II w/ music @ 10 am
DEADLINE: April/May newsletter submissions

Tuesday, March 25

RENTAL: SC Drawing Class, 9:30-noon (PH)

Wednesday, March 26

Lenten Evening Prayer, 5:45 (Nave)
Vestry meeting (following Evening Prayer)

Thursday, March 27

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

Friday, March 28

RENTAL: Al-Anon, 12 noon (PH)

Saturday, March 29

Men's Group, 8 am via Zoom

Serving at the Altar for this Week

The Rev. Jamie Edwards

The Rev. Mark Davidson

8:00 Chalice: J. Krause **Lector:** J. Krause

Altar Guild: Patterson

10:00 Chalice: B. Daniel **Lector:** B. Daniel

Acolyte: H. Snow **Ushers:** Smith

Altar Guild: Daniel, Smith

Counters: Nicky Tesh, Bob Smith

Lay Ministry Schedule for Next Sunday, March 30

The Rev. Jamie Edwards

The Rev. Mark Davidson

8:00 Chalice: G. Crowe **Lector:** CL Franke

Acolyte: Crowe **Altar Guild:** Crowe

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

Acolyte: B. Edwards **Ushers:** Kight

Altar Guild: Bennett, Russ

Counters: Nicky Tesh, TBD

Vestry & Wardens

April Chapel, Senior Warden, Bob Smith, Junior Warden, Nicky Tesh, Treasurer
Chuck Bohrer, Laurie Ryan, Sharon Lyall, Sid Chadwick, Jim Studley, Mark Snow,
Terri Smith, Clerk of the Vestry

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