

St. Clare's Episcopal Church

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 21, 2024

We invite you to prepare for the service in quiet meditation and prayer.

Please silence all cell phones. Flash photography is not allowed.

We elcome to St. Clare's! We are delighted that you are worshipping with us today. Whoever you are, wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here, and welcome to join us in Holy Communion.

If this is your first time visiting with us, we invite you to take a moment to fill out the Visitor's Card located in the pew, or the Visitor's Book in the Narthex, so that we may get to know you better. We hope that you will consider joining our community as we grow together in relationship with God and with one another.

We use the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) in our Sunday worship together. The bulletin you are holding will guide you to the page numbers. The BCP is red. Our Hymnal 1982 is blue. If you need assistance, please don't hesitate to turn to the person next to you to ask. We are happy to guide you.

If you have a pastoral concern or need, or would like more information about the Episcopal Church, please feel free to call the church office at 706-745-0607 to make an appointment with me.

Blessings, Liz+



An Invitation to Communion

We hope that you will accept our invitation to join us at the Table. All are welcome. The usher will signal when it is time for your pew to come forward. You may stand or kneel at the altar. There are several ways that you may participate with us. When the bread is offered, place one hand on top of the other and extend them forward to accept the bread. To receive the wine, guide the bottom of the chalice to your mouth with one hand. If you would like to receive the wine without drinking from the cup, hold the bread in the palm of your hand and the chalice bearer will dip the bread in the chalice (called intinction). If you prefer not to receive the wine, consume the bread, then cross your arms over your chest and the wine will pass you by. If you would like to participate, but not receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest, and the priest will give you a blessing.

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The Word Of God

Prelude	"Air" from Overture in D Major	J.S. Bach
Processional Hymn	Sing praise to God who reigns above	Hymn 408
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Gloria		Hymn S-280*
The Collect of the Day		BCP 215
The Lessons		
The First Lesson: Jonah 3:1-5, 10		See right
Psalm 62: 6-14		BCP 794
The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31		See right
Sequence Hymn Ho	ow wondrous and great thy works, God of pr	<u> </u>
The Holy Gospel	0 1	See right
The Sermon	П	The Rev. Liz Schellingerhoudt
A period of silence is kept		
The Nicene Creed		BCP 358
The Prayers of the People Form III		BCP 387
The Confession, Absolution and The Peace		BCP 360
The Holy Communion		
Choral Anthem	I am the Bread of Life	Simon Lole
Presentation Hymn	We the Lord's people	Hymn 51
Eucharistic Prayer B	1 1	BCP 367
The Sanctus		Hymn S-130*

BCP 364

The Lord's Prayer and The Breaking of the Bread All persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those not receiving may come to the communion rail to receive a blessing; please cross your arms over your chest. If you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer, please say "gluten-free" to the priest.

Fraction Anthem Christ Our Passover Hymn S-152* **BCP 364** Distribution of Communion

The congregation is encouraged to join in singing the communion hymns.

They cast their nets in Galilee Communion Hymns Hymn 661 My God, thy table now is spread Hymn 321

Post Communion Prayer **BCP 365**

The Blessing

Processional Hymn Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult Hymn 550 Postlude Fugue in F Minor Charles Burner

You are invited to join us for fellowship after the service, downstairs in the Parish Hall.

^{*}All hymns beginning with "S" (Service Music) are found in the front of the blue hymnal

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

The word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.*

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

The word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.*

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (1:14-20)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him. The Gospel of the Lord. *People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Prayers of the People

For the sick or in need: Robbie, Dave, Francisco, Taylor, Janet, Neil, Roy, Peter, Jo Ann, Tamara, John, Bailey, Greg, Michael, Stuart, and Jason; for Keri, Carolyn, MaryAnn, Travis, Jane, Sally, Mary, Joy, Anne, McKinley, Katie, Edwina, Terri, Herb H., Al, Josh, Roz, Bob, Ann, Delores, Mary Lou, Pat, and Joan.

For those who travel: Amy, Linda, BJ, Judie, and Pat.

For those who have died: Randy Worley.

For those celebrating birthdays: Alice Duryea, Mike Pearce, Bob Gibson, Jennie Priven. For those celebrating anniversaries: Barbara & Tom Thomas, Henry Batten & Tommy Westbrook.

Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

Priest: On behalf of this congregation, I give you these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We send you forth with the body and blood of Christ.

Those Who Serve

Sunday, January 21, 2024
Verger - Lamar Barber
Crucifer - Billy Clayton
Lector 1 – JC Eriksen
Lector 2 – Lisa McElfresh
Eucharistic Minister – Susan Marr
Ushers – Diana Symins & Bucky Buchmaier
Eucharistic Visitor - Steve Wilson
Greeter - Jo Ellen Clow
VPOD – Lynne Joynes
Altar Guild – Kathy McNeese
Flower Guild – Mackenzie Harkins
Videographer – Haley Dyer
Fellowship – Nancy Logan

2024 Vestry

Frank Kinmonth Senior Warden
TBD, Junior Warden
Lamar Barber, Treasurer
Jo Ellen Clow, Clerk
Mary Buonagura
Amy Cox
Butch Duryea
Lynne Joynes
Lisa McElfresh
Pat Murray
Michael Smith-Foot
Steve Wilson

Clergy and Staff

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Weekly Services

Sundays, HE Rite II, 10:30 AM Wednesdays, Centering Prayer, 11:30 AM Wednesdays, HE Rite II, 12:15 PM Morning Prayer is 8:00 AM M-F Compline is 7:30 PM M-F Choral Compline, First Sundays, 7:00PM

Join Liz+ next Sunday, January 28th at 9:30 AM for Conversations in the Parish Hall.

The Choir invites new members in the new year! If you are interested in joining our choir, contact Karen Calloway at edwins@windstream.net or come to our rehearsal at 5:00 PM on Wednesdays. We meet in the Assisi Chapel.

Mary Buonagura will host a three-week bible study on the epistles attributed to John starting on Wednesday, January 24th, and lasting through February 7th. We will meet every Wednesday at 1:00 PM, following the weekday Eucharist. Mary will provide snacks for the first gathering.

Singer/songwriter Bobby Jo Valentine will hold a concert on Friday, February 2nd, at 7:00 PM at St. Clare's. The concert is sponsored by the church and PLAG. More information will be available soon.

Thursday Book Study Group will meet on January 25th for our next conversation about Roberta Bondi's <u>To Love as God Loves</u>. The book is based on her extensive research into the writings of the early desert fathers and mothers. We meet from 4:00-5:00 PM on Zoom. Use the link in the eClare to join.

We are currently taking submissions for the Lenten Meditation Booklet. Our theme is giving and receiving. How have you received a gift by giving to another? How have you received a gift by accepting something from someone else? Submit your written reflections, artwork, or photography to Kitty at admin@stclaresepisocopal.org by Monday, February 5th. All submissions must be original work.

Ash Wednesday is soon! Mark your calendars for February 14th. We will have both a Noon and 6:00pm service.

St. Clare's will host a bed build for Sleep in Heavenly Peace on Saturday, March 9th from 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM in the parking lot. The final product will provide a single bed for a child in Union County. No experience is needed to volunteer. Please use the link in the eClare to sign up.