
WELCOME

St. Clare's Episcopal Church

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 8, 2023

*We invite you to prepare for the service in quiet meditation and prayer.
Please silence all cell phones. Flash photography is not allowed.*

Welcome 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 and then cross your arms over your chest and the wine will pass by you. 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	I Was Wrong	Jamey and Tamara Whiting <i>(music and lyrics)</i>
Processional Hymn	Morning has broken	Hymn 8
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Gloria		Hymn S-278*
The Collect of the Day		BCP 234
The Lessons		
The First Lesson: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20		See right
Psalm 19		BCP 606
The Second Lesson: Philippians 3:4b-14		See right
Sequence Hymn	All things bright and beautiful	Hymn 405
The Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46		See right
The Sermon		Hannah Schultz
	<i>A period of silence is kept</i>	
The Nicene Creed		BCP 358
The Prayers of the People Form II		BCP 385
The Confession		BCP 360
The Peace		BCP 360

The Holy Communion

Choral Anthem	For the Sake of Us All	Jamey and Tamara Whiting <i>(music and lyrics)</i>
Presentation Hymn	Not here for high and holy things <i>(verses 4-6)</i>	Hymn 9
Eucharistic Prayer D		BCP 372
The Sanctus		Hymn S-128*
The Lord's Prayer and The Breaking of the Bread		BCP 364
Fraction Anthem		Hymn S-154*
Distribution of Communion		BCP 364
<i>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.</i>		
Communion Hymns	Creator of the earth and skies Almighty God, your word is cast	Hymn 148 Hymn 588
Post Communion Prayer		BCP 365
Processional Hymn	For the beauty of the earth	Hymn 416
Postlude	All Creatures of Our God and King	John Barr

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

You are invited to join us for fellowship after the service, downstairs in the parish hall.

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

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

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (21:33-46)

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?" Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Gospel of the Lord. *People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Prayers of the People

For the sick or in need: The Barry Family, Jacob, Andy, Jerry, Bonnie, Linda S., Tricia, Debbie, Catherine, Joanne, Ralph, Jane, Herb P., Sally, Mary, Anne, Joy, McKinley, Katie, Annie, Edwina, Terri, Herb H., Al, Josh, Roz, Bob, Ann, Delores, Mary Lou, Pat, and Joan.

For those who travel: The Bells and The Dyers.

For those who have died: , Dennis Barry, Aggie Dockery, Susan Joseph.

For those celebrating birthdays: Delores Montgomery, Sandy Fallin, Scotti Kershner, Judy Cottone, Richard Guimond, Joe Garrett, Carlene Dockery, Daniel Duello.

For those celebrating anniversaries: Jessica & Chad Berry, Lamar & John Barber, Amanda & Tom Lawrence.

*Today we welcome Hannah Schultz,
Program Director for Georgia Interfaith
Power and Light, as our guest preacher.*

*We also welcome guest musicians
Jamey and Tamara Whiting.*

Those Who Serve

Sunday October 8, 2023
Verger – Lynnae Boudreau
Crucifer – Lamar Barber
Gospelier – Camilla Duello
Lector 1 – Michael Smith-Foot
Lector 2 – Susan Marr
Eucharistic Minister – Michael Smith-Foot
Ushers – Diana Symins & Bucky Buchmaier
Greeter – Michelle Wilson
VPOD – Katherine Duello
Altar Guild – Diana Symins
Flower Guild – Kees Schellingerhoudt
Videographer – Michelle Crawford
Fellowship – Katherine & Camilla Duello

2023 Vestry

Lynnae Boudreau, Senior Warden
Lisa McElfresh, Junior Warden
Lamar Barber, Treasurer
Jo Ellen Clow, Clerk
Sandy Calloway
Amy Cox
Katherine Duello
Lynne Joynes
Pat Murray
Herb Pilcher
Michael Smith-Foot

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Weekly Services

Sundays, HE Rite II, 10:30 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, 7:00 PM

Adult Formation

Join Liz+ next Sunday, October 15th at 9:30 AM for Adult Christian Education. We will start our study of the Gospel of Mark, which will continue through November 19th.

Thursday Book Study Group will meet on October 12th at 4:00 PM on Zoom. We will be discussing The Enneagram: A Christian Perspective by Richard Rohr and Andreas Ebert. Use the link provided in the eClare to join. All are welcome!

Parish Clean-up Day

Help us clean the parish inside and out this Saturday, October 14th. We'll start at 8:00 AM and wrap up at 11:30 AM. If you are interested or have questions, please reach out to Lynnae Boudreau at lboudreau50@gmail.com.

Boo Bash

We are collecting candy for the annual Boo Bash! You can drop off candy during office hours - Mon-Fri, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM - or at Sunday service. Volunteers are also needed to set up our candy booth. If you are able to help, contact Kitty at admin@stclaresepiscopal.org.

All Saints' Day

On November 5th, we will celebrate All Saints' Day. We will read the names of those members of the parish, family, and friends who have died since last All Saints' Day, November 1, 2022. If you have a name you'd like to include, please send it to Kitty as you would like for it to be read (admin@stclaresepiscopal.org). Names need to be received by Sunday, October 29th to be included.

Annual Meeting

Our Annual Parish Meeting and potluck lunch will be held on November 19th, following our 10:30 AM service. During the service, we will have our pledge ingathering.

Volunteer Schedule

The next scheduling period will be from 11/1/23-1/31/24 . Please contact Kitty (admin@stclaresepiscopal.org) with any dates you will not be available to serve in this period by Friday, October 13th. The final schedule will be published by October 20th.