On Wednesdays in Lent, we will have a short noon-time service, with the Forty Day Cafe (light lunch) afterward.

**Lenten Quiet Day**
There will be a Quiet Day on Saturday, March 16th, from 8:30-12:00, sponsored by the Daughters of the Holy Cross. It is open to all, men and women. Fr. John Dixon will be leading meditations from the life of the Anglican pastor and poet, George Herbert. There will be a light breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and then meditations in McKee Chapel.

**Spring Break Outreach**
The Spring Break Outreach will be March 18-22, with more than one hundred teens joining together for this Kings Kids of El Paso sponsored outreach. We need helpers for this week and other youth group events. If you are interested, please contact Kristie Cossel at youth@stclements.com.

**New Lift to the Second Floor**
At the annual meeting, I announced that we will soon begin work to install a lift (or elevator) to the second floor. This is particularly needed by several choir members to get to the choir room. I know that some of you would like to contribute to this project, in honor of Rick Garven and the Choir. You may do so either by check or credit card on our website. Just choose the option on our website or mark the check “Elevator.” It is estimated that it will cost about $65,000.

In our Lord Jesus Christ,

The Rev. William C. Cobb, D. Min.
Scholarship Opportunity!

The Brent & Edith Rickard Memorial Scholarship

Four $1,000 scholarships are to be awarded to deserving well-rounded students, high school seniors who will be attending university this fall, or students already enrolled in a university. Selection will be based on school grades, church participation, volunteerism, school activities and financial need. Application forms may be picked up in the church office and must be completed and submitted by April 15th, 2019.

YOU'RE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN OUR

Angel Food Ministry

Angel Food is a new ministry that we recently launched here at Saint Clements. Hebrews 10:24 reads, “Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.” One way we have considered how we might do this is through the comfort of food! Do you know someone who is going through a difficult time? Let Angel Food know and we will deliver a home-cooked meal! This is not only for our church members, but friends, neighbors, coworkers … anyone you feel could use a little love and encouragement from the Church.

How does it work? I’m glad you asked. Volunteers (you) can pick up a disposable pan at the Welcome Center on Sundays. Taped inside is the recipe needed (5 different ones to choose from). Make the dish, tape the recipe to the top, and drop it by the church at your convenience. That’s it! You’re done!

Patricia Ladd is our contact for Angel Food. When she receives a request, she will pass any prayer requests on to the clergy. Then, one of your home-cooked meals is delivered* in a cooler with all of the instructions. Along with the food, there will always be a handwritten note of encouragement, prayer, or Scripture written by volunteers and the clergy. Depending on the situation, a meal train can be set up for extended needs.

Help us get our freezer stocked; take an Angel Tree pan with you next Sunday!
To have an Angel Food entree delivered, please contact Patricia Ladd at angelfoodSTC@gmail.com or text/call 915.996.6726

We have even more in store for the Angel Food ministry … so stay tuned … until then, let’s shine a little light in people’s lives and let them know they are loved and the church is praying.

Please contact Travis if you would like to volunteer to deliver meals when needed!
Children’s Ministry

So much is always happening in Children’s Ministry. Here’s a peek of a typical year...

For starters, we have four weekly classes that range from 0yrs-5th grade.

Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings we offer Nursery, Wonder Room and Kids Connection. We have two main events each year, VBS and Christmas Pageant, as well as one or two themed events sprinkled in between. All of these areas of ministry happen because of the loving hearts that volunteer their time, gifts and talents. Children's Ministry would like to say Thank You to everyone who has come and held a baby, read a story, danced, sang, laughed, taught a lesson, guided in a craft, constructed sets, listened to a child tell their story and spoke encouragement to our children. Truly, we at St Clements are blessed and our hearts are full from all you have given. Nothing would happen without you!

We begin this new year by saying goodbye to a long-time Children's Ministry volunteer, John Schmid. We are so grateful for his heart of gold and steadfast faithfulness to this ministry. He will be missed, but we pray blessings on him as he takes on the role of Junior Warden.

Church Family, I want to give a call out to all of us who have those hearts that lean tender to our younger ones and invite you to come be a part of our team. There are many places to volunteer and make a difference. If you feel a nudge on your heart give me a call and let’s find the perfect place for you!

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Children’s Ministry Director
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Melissa Greco
Assistant
melissa@stclements.com

Clems & Clemtines

Linda McClain’s "O Magnum Mysterium", the title of the book of poems from which most of her selections are coming, shall be interactively inspiring.

Come join us! Bring a friend and/or a covered dish. Mayfield Room 3rd Monday, March 18, 2019 at 10:30 with lively communion with Fr John Dixon. Linda’s poetry reading will begin at 10:50. Lunch will start at noon.
The month of February was filled with awkwardness. Yes, awkwardness. We were incredibly uncomfortable this month, and that is the best thing God could have desired for The Good Soil. Maybe confusion is gushing into your mind while reading this, but let us explain! We have begun a new series titled Embracing the Uncomfy (Uncomfortable), in which we have discussed silence in the presence of God, what worship really is, how to cut out the distractions in our lives that keep us from Christ, how to be unashamed of our faith, human trafficking, what to do when we don’t agree with what the Bible says, and so much more.

Many uncomfortable giggles were shared in the face of embracing the things that we don’t enjoy talking about, but need to discuss. The kids bunkered down and ran head on to these cringy topics, willing to tackle the awkward in order to grow. We are SO proud of them!

We are gearing up for Spring Break Outreach (March 18-22) where we are sure to have a ton of laughs and amazing experience with connecting to those in our community and sharing what we believe. Also on the horizon, Provincial Youth Gathering (PYG) will be held from June 16-23 in Dallas, TX. It will cost $450 per child, and our hope and prayer is that we will fundraise the entire cost. We are so jazzed for where The Good Soil is headed in Christ.

GriefShare 3.0 started February 6th, 2019 and will continue for 13 weeks until May 1st, 2019. This is an opportunity for interested parties to start at the beginning. Meetings are on Wednesday afternoon, 1:30 to 3:00 PM, in the conference room. Sessions are free but there is a fee of $15.00 for a workbook. This workbook serves as a wonderful aid to healing. It closely follows the weekly video and includes daily affirmations and lessons for support between sessions.

We are still looking for co-facilitators! It finally happened; both Nancy and I had an emergency on a Wednesday and our group was left to fend for themselves. Fortunately, it was the week of our social and they took very good care of themselves. If you have questions feel free to call either Linda Kaip (915) 539 1265 or Nancy Pilgrim (915) 833 4818. God bless!
Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are the After People. They are ready to come alongside you—or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives—and provide comfort and support for as long after as needed.

For more information, please visit:
www.stephenministries.org

Women’s Bible Study

A new 5 week bible study, “Breathe” by Priscilla Shirer, will begin Monday, March 18th sponsored by the Monday Night Women’s Bible Study Group.

All are welcome to attend. The sessions will be held in the Mayfield Room from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

For further information contact Tish Hays at (915) 474-4216.

BORDER FELLOWS SEEKING NEW DIRECTOR

This position is 20 hours a week. Check out more info about the program at www.borderfellows.com

Border Fellows is a post-college gap year program focused on the integration of faith, vocation, and Christian community development in our border community.

It is a collaborative effort between St. Clements, Ciudad Nueva and La Frontera Youth Ministry Education.

For more information or if you’re interested please contact Sami DiPasquale at (915) 269-5528 or sami@ciudadnueva.org
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Border Fellows

Vivi Bartlet
St. Clement's Youth Ministry Administrator

The Border Fellows Program has been a blessing to me for countless reasons. The people in the program, connected with Ciudad Nueva, and/or who attend St. Clement's are some of the most wonderful people I have ever met, and have blessed me immensely with their love, support, and joy. I have felt at home here ever since the first day I moved 1,722 miles from my dear friends and family. Continually, Christ is displayed to me through those around me, and I have begun to see the gifts that God has given me to do the same for the next generation. I have learned so much about myself and who I am to God and who He is to me as well. Spiritually, I have made leaps and bounds in my identity and faith, as mentors, friends, and host families have poured into me, patiently guiding, loving, and teaching me the Anglican tradition and theology. I would not trade this year for anything in the world and I will be heartbroken to leave this city and the people I have met. It is so apparent that it was God’s plan for me to be here, learning hard lessons and joyously celebrating accomplishments and relationships.

Ellen Denzel
Novatex Industrial Engineer

The longer I am here in El Paso as a Border Fellow, the more I realize how much of not only an answered prayer it is but also how awesomely God orchestrated my path. When I applied for college, I wrote in my application essay that I wanted an engineering job where I was speaking Spanish as well as improving the lives of others in some capacity. Not only do I work as an engineer for a company where I speak Spanish every day, but I also work with the high school students in Ciudad Nueva. Along with that, I’ve really loved volunteering as an Upward soccer coach as well as with the refugee ministry. It has been so humbling to work with people and cultures different than how I grew up, as well as rewarding to be exposed to how big our world and God are. I’m definitely enjoying the one-of-a-kind sunsets (it is the Sun City!) and becoming close friends with the other Border Fellows, but I am forever grateful for the opportunity to be able to live life on the border of the US and Mexico in a place unlike any I’ve ever lived in before.
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Mission Statement

The Church of St. Clement, under the lordship of Jesus Christ, by the grace of God and through the power of the Holy Spirit, intentionally pursues real worship, real relationships, and real difference through our core values.

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