



## St. Clement's Episcopal Church

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*A Veteran Friendly Congregation*

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### ***The most important week!***

This year April contains a huge variety of critical worship opportunities: the completion of Lent, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter morning, and the season after Easter (Eastertide). Of all these, the one week between Palm Sunday and Easter is the most important in the entire Christian year. Yes, more important than Christmas, because the birth of God in human form would mean nothing if we didn't know how the story unfolds. Incarnation without crucifixion and resurrection is just another nativity.

But for Holy Week to have real meaning we have to live it, we have to be present, we have to pay attention. Our worship services offer one way to experience the culmination of Jesus's earthly ministry on physical, intellectual and spiritual levels. Jesus calls us to continue his work of reconciling all creation to God's loving care. May you be blessed with insight, compassion and renewal of purpose during this most important week, and always.

***Pastor Christine +***

### ***What is Holy Saturday?***

What happened after Jesus's body was taken down from the cross on Good Friday? The Nicene Creed says that "he suffered death and was buried." The Apostles' Creed is more explicit: "he was crucified, died, and was buried" and "he descended to the dead." The Rite I version states that "he descended into hell." Could Jesus have spent time in hell? If so, how could he have escaped?

There is no way to answer such musings. What we have to rely on is that Jesus was really brutally killed. It was not a case of someone snatching his broken body and hiding it while he recovered from his wounds. The next thing we have to rely on is that Jesus was seen again by many people, and because of those witnesses the Way of living he taught continued and a church was born.

Holy Saturday is the time when we acknowledge that Jesus's death was real. We cannot rush from the cross to Easter morning. We must let death sink in before resurrection can have any meaning.

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## March Rector's Report

March 1<sup>st</sup> marks the beginning of my new half-time status. The arrangement the Vestry and I have agreed upon specifies that I will work three days a week, as a rule, instead of the five days called for with a full-time position, AND I will serve every Sunday of each month, less one. So far, it doesn't feel like half-time at all, since we had the Shrove Tuesday Mardi Gras dinner (very well attended with at least 30 diners) and two Ash Wednesday services (even better attended at 39 worshippers, including 4 visitors!).

At its March 9 the Vestry endorsed my proposal to serve as the "supply" priest on the Sunday that I would have otherwise taken off. I will be paid at the supply rate. Consequently, the only Sunday I will miss between now and the last half of August will be May 11, when I will be at a CREDO conference in Mississippi.

We have filed our required Annual Parochial Report, which covers financial and attendance data, along with baptisms, funerals, confirmations and other rites. I am cheered to note that our Average Sunday Attendance (ASA) ROSE 4 points last year. ASA is not a perfect measure of congregational vitality, but it is the one the church uses. At the March Vestry meeting we focused on getting committees up and running, so that they are cognizant of the duties entailed in running a parish. We are in very good shape for this, as so many parishioners already do so many things to keep us functioning.

Our Capital Deanery is doing interesting things. On February 20, I attended a clergy meeting held at River City Food Bank. Director Eileen Thomas briefed us on new initiatives – especially a pilot project to reduce hunger among low-income seniors. It was a most informative two-hour session. Of course, RCFB's major fund-raiser, Empty Bowls, was March 11. Every year I promote it and attend. You may not realize it, but St. Clement's makes a monthly donation of \$50, plus donated foods (including produce from our Giving Garden in summer) to RCFB.

The Capital Deanery had its Spring Convocation on Saturday, March 22 at St. Matthew's, Sacramento. The morning meeting was followed by a workshop in Community Organizing, presented by Sacramento Area Churches Together (Sacramento ACT), which is a multi-faith organization that works collaboratively to address local problems. Deacons Cindy Long and Virginia McNeely and I were the planners of this workshop, because all of us believe that religious organizations have great power to promote positive change in communities. Terry Sandhoff also attended both sessions.

## Bible Readings

for the month

Revised Common Lectionary  
Year A

### April 6

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14

PSALM 130

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

### April 13

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a

PSALM 118:1-2,19-29

Phillippians 2:5-11

Matthew 21:1-11

### April 17

Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-4,5-10,11-14

PSALM 116: 1,10-17

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17,31b-35

### April 18

Good Friday

Isaiah 52: 13-53:12

PSALM 22

Hebrews 10:16-25

John 18:1-19:42

### April 20

Easter Day

Acts 10:34-43

PSALM 118:1-2,14-24

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-18

### April 27

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a,22-32

PSALM 16

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

## Holy Week Services

April 13	Palm/Passion Sunday	8 & 10 am
	Stories of Jesus (Choral Presentation)	4pm
April 17	Maundy Thursday service (with Holy Communion)	6pm
April 18	Good Friday services	12noon and 6pm
April 20	Easter!	8 & 10am (bring a flower for the cross)
	Combined Coffee Hour	9am
	Easter Egg Hunt	11:15 am

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I continue as a board member of the Episcopal Foundation of Northern California, although I have turned over the role of treasurer. EFNC is dedicated to helping congregations become financially stronger. We meet monthly, but from now on I will participate on my own time, although all priests in charge of congregations are expected to share in the larger life of the diocese. St. Clement's hosted an all-day meeting of the EFNC on March 18, but the expenses were borne by EFNC, not us.

Another way I have been participating in the life of the diocese is as Chair of the Christian Formation Commission. For the last three years the focus of this group has been preparing for and facilitating The Bible Challenge. Last fall the Bishop asked us to devise a different sort of challenge, highlighting the Book of Common Prayer, the Psalms and the New Testament. I arranged a schedule of readings for this challenge, which Bishop Barry has encouraged every member of the diocese to undertake, at least for the season of Lent. My work on this Challenge is now complete, and I have turned over chairing the commission to the Rev. Rod Davis.

I want to congratulate our newest "music minister" Zoe Boughton. A year ago she asked me, in her very modest manner, if we might offer a beginning ukulele class. She was hoping to make it a children's ministry. Instead, it became a very successful adult ministry. We now have two ukulele classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6pm, and they put

on a tremendously successful a St. Patrick's Day party on March 21.

This is a perfect example of how ministry *should* work. Someone has an idea, maybe talks it over with a few others, and asks the rector if it is possible. We think it through together, talk about details such as space and time requirements, and any special insurance red flags, and then it's "go ahead with God's blessings!" If it is a long-term project the Vestry gets involved, as with our wonderful Thrift Store.

Pastor Christine Leigh-Taylor +

### ***Hear "Stories of Jesus" Palm Sunday afternoon at 4 pm***

The talented and dedicated St. Clement's Choir, led by the incomparable Carole Maxson, will offer a beautiful program of music highlighting the life of our Lord Jesus. It will prepare you for Holy Week and Easter. Please plan to attend. And examine the poster describing the event: how many "stories" can you find?

### **Tennessee Bar-B-Cue May 17**

Come one and all to our Second Annual Tennessee Bar-B-Cue. We'll be serving delicious slow-roasted ribs and pork, plus sides, all day long. Bring neighbors and friends. Buy some to freeze for your July 4<sup>th</sup> picnics. The meat will be rubbed and cooked starting Friday night. David Bridges is in charge of everything "Tennessee." Terry Sandhoff is coordinating everything else, and of course there is a sign-up sheet to help!

<b>St. Clement's Committees</b>			<b>2014</b>	
<b>Committee</b>	<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Key Duties</b>		<b>Notes</b>
Transition Team	Ray Bobbie Kent Terry	Coordinate all communications during PIC process and transition Coordinate "Send Off" Celebration Oversee all functions of the parish during interim period Act as liaison with Diocese during PIC search Schedule Vestry meetings		Note: Transition team members will be working closely with the Administration committee
Worship	Christine+ Carole Chris Harry David Marj Debbi H	Plan weekly worship services Work with office manager to generate weekly notebook inserts of order of service Review church bulletin on Thursday Plan special services Coordinate music Choose scriptures for Sundays		Bible readings need to be consistent with Lectionary Bible Study; also found in Revised Common Lectionary (in office)
Grounds and facilities	Randy Guido Ray Harry	Oversee the maintenance of the grounds and church Address safety issues Respond to emergencies at the church related to buildings and grounds		Note: Harry Shippy is generally the "first responder" from the church when the alarm goes off at church
Administration	Christine+ Kent Terry Steve Harry	Contracts Coordinating church business Stewardship campaign Reports: Parochial, Annual, Reconciling Rector's discretionary fund and administering its use Anchor and Anchor Lite Schedule Fundraisers and coordinate Crop Walk Coordinate Special events such as Founders' Day Picnic Assure Altar Guild meetings are held Website maintenance Engage supply priests Review church files Licensing of EMs and EVs		Note: The Transition team will work closely with this committee. Joint meetings will be necessary during the months after Christine+retires Note: Terry Sandhoff has volunteered to be Fundraising Chair Note: Christine+ will make sure all EMs and EVs are current before she leaves
Parish Care	David Len Debbie P	Monitor parishioners needs Contact parishioners who have missed Sunday services Coordinate church resources for parishioners who need help		Note: Debbie has volunteered to be chair

St. Clement's Episcopal Church April 2014						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Beginning Ukulele 6:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm	AA 6:00pm	Ukulele club 6:00pm		Thrift Store 9-1pm NA 10:00am AA 7:00pm
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Eucharist 8:00&10:00am Vestry Meeting 1:00pm AA 6:30pm		Beginning Ukulele 6:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm	AA 6:00pm	Ukulele club 6:00pm		Daut King 10:00am Thrift Store 9-1pm NA 10:00am AA 7:00pm
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Easter Day Eucharist 8:00&10:00am Easter Egg Hunt 11:15am AA 6:30pm		Beginning Ukulele 6:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm	AA 6:00pm	Ukulele club 6:00pm		Thrift Store 9-1pm NA 10:00am AA 7:00pm
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27	28	29	30			

### *Coming Attractions*

Saturdays Thrift Store Open 9:00am-1:00pm

Tuesdays Beginner's Ukulele 6:00pm  
Bible Study 7:00pm

Thursdays Ukulele club 6:00pm

April 6 Vestry Meeting 1:00pm

April 13 Palm/Passion Sunday  
Choral Presentation "Stories of Jesus" 4:00pm

April 17 Maundy Thursday Service 6:00pm

April 18 Good Friday Services 12:00noon  
6:00pm  
Stations of the Cross 5:15pm

April 20 Easter Sunday Services 8:00am  
10:00am  
Combined Coffee Hour 9:00am  
Easter Egg Hunt 11:15am

May 17 Tennessee Bar-b-Que Please check the sign up sheet in the Narthex

## Lay Ministry Schedule St. Clement's Church April 2014

	SUNDAY April 6 Fifth Sunday in Lent	SUNDAY April 13 Palm Sunday	SUNDAY April 20 Easter Day	SUNDAY April 27 Second Sunday after Easter
Altar Guild	Deidra White Kara Magdaleno	Irene Grant Randy Grimwood	Debbi Honeycutt Len Honeycutt	Jennifer Yee Altar Help
Ushers				
8:00 a.m.	Randy Grimwood	Randy Grimwood	Randy Grimwood	Randy Grimwood
Ushers				
10:00 a.m.	Pam Quarles	Ray & Sherry Stults	Bill Murray	Kent Ransom
Acolytes				
8:00 a.m.	Jim Wash	Chris Wash	Janelle Fallan	Harry Shippy
Acolytes				
10:00 a.m.	Debbi Popp	Debbi Honeycutt	Debbi Popp	Debbi Honeycutt
Lectors				
8:00 a.m.	Marj Heineke Bobbie Keill Kent Ransom	Harry Shippy Muriel Murray David Bridges	Chris Wash Deb Bickford Len Honeycutt	Jim Wash Pam Quarles Chuck Maxson
Lectors				
10:00 a.m.	Harry Shippy	Janelle Fallan	Jim Wash	Chris Wash
Intercessors				
8:00a.m.	Harry Shippy	Janelle Fallan	Jim Wash	Chris Wash
Intercessors				
10:00 a.m.	Bill Murray	Len Honeycutt	David Bridges	Deb Bickford
E.M. (Chalice)				
8:00a.m.	Jim Wash	Chris Wash	Janelle Fallan	Harry Shippy
E.M.(Chalice)				
10:00 a.m.	Muriel Murray	Bobbie Keill	Deidra White Debbi Honeycutt	Debbie Popp
Coffee Hour				
8:00 a.m.	Harry Shippy	Janelle Fallan Ken Dunham	Chris & Jim Wash	I Grant Randy Grimwood
Coffee Hour				
10:00a.m.	Terry Sandhoff	Debbie Popp	Bobbie Keill Zoe & Debbie	Marla Bridges
Counters				
	Kent Ransom Ray Stults	Guido Polana Stephen Soulman	Muriel Murray Sharon Burke-Polana	Ray Stults Harry Shippy
PIE				
8:00 & 10:00a.m.	Debbi Honeycutt	Muriel Murray	Mickey Boughton	Debbi Honeycutt

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PLEASE SAVE THE DATE OF  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 16  
for Pastor Christine's Retirement party  
(from 4-6:30pm). She will preach and  
celebrate the next day, Sunday, August  
17, and then take a combination of  
terminal and unused vacation until her  
retirement date of August 31.

### **Birthdays**

April 14 Peter Weber  
April 20 Debbie Kidd  
April 22 Alexa Weber Morales

### **Clergy and Lay Eucharist Visits**

Please call Len Honeycutt(362-5170) or the  
church office(635-5282) or send an e-mail to  
the church at [info@saint-clements.com](mailto:info@saint-clements.com) if you  
would like communion brought to you or a  
family member.

**The Rev. Christine Leigh-Taylor, Rector**  
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your will?

**APRIL 2014**

**REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

**8:00 A.M. RITE I HOLY EUCHARIST**

**10:00 A.M. RITE II HOLY EUCHARIST**

**COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP**

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