

THE CLARION

ST. CLEMENT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

SEPTEMBER 2011



September 11th

September 11th will come with a range of emotions this year. We remember the tenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks, yet it is also the Sunday set aside to begin our parish's program year, "Rally Day."

In honor of the victims of 9/11 and their families, we will offer our prayers during services. During the 10 o'clock service, our choir will sing "So They Gave Their Bodies" from Pericles' funeral oration, which the choir sang on September 16, 2001.

The 10 o'clock service will begin with our traditional bagpipe procession. At that time, parishioners will have the opportunity to see some of our summer projects. Thanks to the hard work and generosity of the St. Mary's Guild, some of the Palache Hall and Church doors have been refurbished (some final

work on the doors is scheduled), our Giant Sequoia has received some much-needed care, and the patio around the Sequoia has been repaired for safety. Thanks to the interest from the Gordon Griffith Endowment, parishioners will also see new shingles on the front of the church and one of three new windows on the Russell Street side. A generous donor is paying to have the shingles painted to match the rest of the building.

After church, we will enjoy a parish picnic, sign up for church events, and take turns in the bouncy house (well, at least our younger parishioners will).

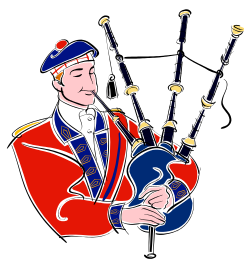
While I recognize the solemnity of the date, I look forward to our coming together as a community for prayer and fellowship.

Bruce D. O'Neill
Rector

2011 St. Clement's RALLY DAY

Sunday, September 11

following the 10:00 AM service



**Jumpy House
Picnic-style Lunch
Activity Sign-ups**

A NOTE FROM THE PARISH EVENTS COMMITTEE

Rally Day is coming soon and you will have the opportunity to sign up for Parish Events.

We would like to have more **Circle of Eight** participants. You can sign up by household—singles, couples or families. Each month for four months a household hosts a pot luck gathering for four households. We would like to have some families with children join this year. This year, there was variety—a single person household hosted, a luncheon was given instead of a dinner, and one gathering took place at a cabin—a picnic would also work. This is a great way to meet new people and renew some old acquaintances.

We will also try to have another **Mens' Dinner**, a **Women's Luncheon or Tea**, and a **Musical Spring Fling**—please join us.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHES of Berkeley and Albany will have a booth at this year's Solano Stroll on Sept. 11. There will be information about St. Clement's, St. Mark's, All Souls', Good Shepherd, and St. Alban's. In addition, funds will be collected for a local day laborer lunch project. If you are interested helping to staff the booth, please sign up in Palache Hall. (Assistance will still be needed after our Rally Day picnic.)

MINI-SALE OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS

RALLY DAY (after the service)

Hardbacks 50¢ – Paperbacks 25¢

**Proceeds to benefit Sunday
School Outreach Efforts**

The Diocese of California welcomes Les Petits Chanteurs boys choir from the École de Musique Sainte Trinité (Holy Trinity Music School) in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. The school is a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti. Internationally renowned, Les Petits Chanteurs will present four enchanting concerts.

This is your opportunity to experience a grace-filled choir that has brought hope to the Haitian people.



The concert series is presented by Music for Haiti, an initiative to rebuild École de Musique Ste. Trinité at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Port-au-Prince. Music for Haiti is a partnership between the Episcopal Dioceses of Haiti and California.

When and Where:

Fri., Sept. 30, 7:30 PM — St. Paul's, Walnut Creek

Sat., Oct. 1, 7:00 PM — St. Stephen's, Belvedere

Sun., Oct. 2, 4:00 PM — Christ Church, Portola Valley

Mon., Oct. 3, 7:30 PM — St. Paul's, Burlingame

St. Clement's has raised \$2,275 to support this rebuilding effort. Thank you to Anne Casey, Robert & Pamela Clark, David & Clare Cunningham, Bob & Judy Davis, Doug & Linda Dobson, John & Piego Ellwood, Victor & Linda Gavenda, Mary Hanna, Kenneth & Christina Hecht, Michael & Sheila Humphreys, Pearce & Lynda Hurley, Virginia Jardim, Frances Morgan, David Morris, Virginia Persson, Janet Towler, Tom & Suzanne Vincent, and the Vestry who provided a grant from the Goode Ritson Fund.

SAVE THE DATE

"Pennies from Heaven"

Episcopal Charities 2011 Night of Light

The Rt. Rev. Marc Handley Andrus and the Episcopal Charities Board of Directors invite you to the 2011 Night of Light, "Pennies from Heaven," celebrating the work of Episcopal Charities.

The gala will be on Saturday, November 5, 2011, at Delancey Street, 600 Embarcadero Street, San Francisco. Cocktails at 6:30 PM; dinner and live auction at 7:30 PM; followed by dancing.

To order tickets, or for more information, visit www.episcopalcharities.org/gala or contact Kathleen Piraino, kpiraino@episcopalcharities.org, or Sue Malick, suemalick@gmail.com.

MOVIE GROUP: Watch *The Help* and *The Debt*, meet Sunday, September 25, casual pot luck, place TBA.

ST. CLEMENT'S SCRAPS



In past years, a few parishioners have gathered once a month to work on preserving their photos and stories in archival scrapbook photo albums. We have a lot of fun and enjoy chatting while we work on our scrapbook photo album pages.

We are reprising our monthly sessions beginning on Sunday, September 25 from 1-5 PM, and invite participation by St. Clement's parishioners and friends who want to spend a few hours working on organizing and preserving their photos. We meet in the choir rehearsal room.

If you are unfamiliar with scrapbook photo albums, you can also drop in just to see what it is all about. Advice and sources for materials to get started can be provided as well.

If you have questions, you can email (pgcClark@gmail.com) or phone (510-569-3395) Pamela Clark.

RALLY DAY PHOTOS

In addition to enjoying the various activities planned for Rally Day, please come prepared to smile for the camera.

Photographs for the new church directory will be taken following the service by Victor Gavenda and Robert Clark. These will be digital photos, and you will be able to make your selection at the time they are taken.

We will need to have your contact information at this time, so if you have not yet sent in your information sheet,



please use the one in this issue of the Clarion or fill out the one you receive in the church bulletin.

For those unable to be at church on September 11, photos will also be taken on the remaining two Sundays in September.

ST. CLEMENT'S DIRECTORY INFORMATION FORM

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____

CHILDREN'S NAMES _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE Home: _____ Cell (Optional): _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

I give my permission to use the above information in the membership directory

Signed _____

INFORMATION BELOW FOR CHURCH RECORDS ONLY

For each family member please provide the following information:

1. NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH _____

2. YEAR OF BAPTISM (if known) _____

3. YEAR OF WEDDING _____

4. YEAR STARTED ATTENDING ST. CLEMENT'S _____

NEWCOMER SOCIAL

Sunday, October 2, 4:00-6:00 PM
at the Rectory (2833 Claremont Blvd.)

RSVP 510-843-2678 or
stclements@earthlink.net

SUNDAY SCHOOL

begins at 10:00 am
on September 18



RED CROSS GIFT

On August 12, I was privileged to attend the Farewell Reception where three young interns from abroad gave presentations and received certificates for completion of a fast paced three weeks of meetings, hands-on work, sightseeing and just hanging out with peers in the American Red Cross Bay Area Chapter. Travel and expenses for bringing the interns to San Francisco annually are provided by the Chapman-Holcombe International Intern Program, named in honor of parishioner Mary Lou Chapman, and her assistant, created following her “retirement” (she is still actively volunteering) after 35 years with the Red Cross. In its June meeting the Vestry approved a grant of \$5000 from the Goode-Ritson Fund for this program.

With amazing poise and self confidence each intern gave a stand-up summary, accompanied by a computer projected written and picture presentation, describing what they learned and experienced here with their American counterparts, and, in detail, outlines of the plans for improvements to suggest back home. Magnus brought laughs about the number of meetings he had to attend as did Aliya who reflected, her home organization actually had “no structure” by comparison. They all spoke of their common challenges: providing social services to those suffering from wars, natural disasters, diseases, blood donations, safety education, and migration issues. Clarisse was proud to point out that despite its founding in 1947, her country only dropped “National” (which implied government operated) from its name in 2009. The event finished with other local interns, including Liora, receiving certificates for their summer work with the Red Cross.

Where ethnic, national or religious group identities so often gives rise to conflict, witnessing the passion of these young world citizens for helping others, gives us all hope for the future.

—Chip Sterling, Vestry, Outreach

Note: Copies of Mary Lou Chapman’s Armistice Day talk to Berkeley Breakfast Club on November 12, 2010, about her experiences as a American Red Cross Clubmobile worker during WWII are available on the table in Palache Hall.



L to R: Aliya Kydyrmaeva, Krygyzstan Red Crescent; Mary Lou Chapman, Red Cross Director of Youth Services, retired; Magnus Sauro, Norwegian Red Cross; Liora Barba, AmeriCorps volunteer; Charisse Salcedo, Philippine red Cross.

Jam Session II



It is hard to imagine that summer is nearly over and that harvest time is near. Last year's canning session was so successful that the Sunday School is going to do it again.

One key element in last year's program was the use of fruit from the home gardens of St. Clement's. If you have more fruit than you can use and would like to donate it to the project, please contact David Myles at ccbond@comcast.net.

As we did last year, proceeds will go to the Campaign for Better Nutrition to support use of food stamps at farmer's markets.

Episcopal Charities Convenes 2011-2012 Alameda Action Network

You are invited to the first meeting of the 2011-2012 Alameda Action Network (ALAN) on Tuesday, October 4, from 7:00-9:00 PM at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 114 Montecito Avenue, Oakland. Episcopal clergy, congregants, and the wider community are invited to help identify the needs within Alameda County and brainstorm a list of projects to be investigated for possible Episcopal Charities funding and professional service volunteer support. We will be seeking volunteers to do further research on the projects identified. Please, also, save the date for the second ALAN meeting on Tuesday, November 8, from 7:00-9:00 PM, at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Oakland. Action Network members are a crucial part of fulfilling Episcopal Charities' mission to address the root causes of poverty in the Bay Area. We are grateful for your involvement and support.

PRAYER LIST

In Our Parish:

Burrill, Ginny, Frederique, Jody, Margaret, Nauvelene, Gail, Margaret, George Ann, Jennifer, Laura, David, Helen

Friends & Loved Ones:

Katie, Barbara, Ned, Jean, Lee, Brad, Ginger, Norma, Nick, Johnny, Earl, Arlene, Rosemary, Barbi, John, Marilyn, Prajhan, Suzie, James, Ronald, Linda, Johnny, Bonnie, Candace, Benjamin, Sally, Nit, Veronique, Theresa, Carrie, Janet, Inge, Valerie, Christian, Brian, Joan, Liz, George, Helen, Rob, Roy

The Lectionary



Pentecost 12, September 4

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalms 149

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

Pentecost 13, September 11

Exodus 14:19-31

Psalms 114

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

Pentecost 14, September 18

Exodus 16:2-15

Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

Pentecost 15, September 25

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16

Philippians 2:1-13

Matthew 21:23-32



**LET LIGHT PERPETUAL
SHINE UPON HIM**

The Rev. William Fay

WE WELCOME INTO THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

baptized August 21, 2011

Eva Anne McKleroy

UPCOMING BAPTISMS

September 4, 2011—10:00 AM

November 6, 2011—10:00 AM



*If you or a loved one is interested in Baptism,
please contact the clergy.*

THANK YOU to all who worked so hard on the Lawn Sale in August—the workers, the donors, the sherpas and the sellers.

We especially appreciate the leadership of Barbara Smith who organizes the event.

Over \$4,100 was made and St. Mary's Guild plans to use the proceeds to renovate the floor in the EYC and Music Rooms.

Bruce O'Neill, Mitzi Francis, Chip Sterling, and the large variety of treasures for sale.



Does the skeleton count as this year's most unusual item for sale?



Betsy Connell keeps a close eye on the merchandise.



Gloria Young worked with Linda Kranichfeld in toys and games.



Mandy Hammond surveys the carpets.

St. Mary's Guild LAWN SALE 2011



Ed Waller at the book stand.



You're never too young to start your lawn sale career. Kayla Jurd works with her Aunt Elaine.



David and Claire Cunningham drive a hard bargain.



David Stone



Jeremy O'Neill and Judy Davis can't decide who looks better in the hat!



Sandy Solis closes a deal in glassware.



Our ladies of the linens: Nancy Wickes and Sue Waller



Walk With Me

Greetings St. Clement's church family:

As you are reading this, I will have already started school. The Academic year at the School for Deacons runs from August through May. I attend school every third weekend. In the fall semester I will be taking Ministry Development, Christian Ethics, a class on the Deacon's Role in Liturgical Music (thanks to Linda Gavenda, I can at least get close to the right notes now), and a class on Social Ministry.

In addition to our class work, we serve as Lay Assistants and Assistant Deacons each school weekend in one of the 3 services we have. The third year students also take turns preaching and

I am on the Rota for at least one sermon for a Morning Prayer service and one for a full Eucharist service. We also must do 120 hours of work volunteering in a hospital, which I will be doing at San Francisco General beginning in October.

And finally, we are asked to intern in a parish other than our own. I have selected Holy Cross in Castro Valley, where I begin in mid-September. While this takes me away for several months, I will visit when I can and keep in touch through this "walk with me" greeting on a regular basis.

I am very grateful for all of your support and prayers. If you have any questions or suggestions along the way, feel free to contact me at bstewartgbs@gmail.com.

In Christ's Service,
Bonnie Stewart
Postulant for Holy Orders to the Diaconate



Buying Gold

"Should we sell all our stocks? Should we buy gold???" queried the panicked pre-retiree as the Dow Jones average, after ratcheting down steadily for two weeks, suddenly plunged over 500 points.

In times of economic uncertainty—such as our own—investors have often sought refuge in buying precious metals that seem so solid. But, as I responded to the worried shareholder, this may not in fact be a good time to buy gold. The price of gold is already at a historical high—which is a risky time to buy anything, whether tulip bulb, real estate or a dot-com. Besides, a popular gold mutual fund is down 6.8% year to date.

My alternative? Not cash. While the price of a dollar does not go down, its purchasing power inexorably does. (No more five-cent chewing gum!)

Buying a gift annuity is better than buying gold in two important respects. First, it never goes down. A gift annuity is a contract that guarantees you a certain fixed-dollar income for as long as you live. This payment is determined by your age when you want the income to

start. The amount of the income will remain the same no matter what happens to the stock market or to bank interest rates. Unlike a CD or a bond, a gift annuity does not terminate until you do.

Second, when you buy a gift annuity, you are virtually insuring that your purchase will one day result in a generous gift to the church. This is because 100% of the remaining principal of your annuity, after paying income to you for your lifetime, will transfer to your parish or other ministry.

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasure on earth, where moth and rust corrupt and thieves break in and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasure in heaven..."
(Matthew 9:17 ff)

A gift annuity actually does both: provides you with reliable treasure on earth, while it also provides an ultimate gift for ministry in Christ's name.

To see your payout rate, visit www.EpiscopalGift.org. Or contact me for a printed personalized illustration. I'll be glad to help you. This is my ministry.

The Rev. Richard L. Schaper, Gift Planning Officer
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JOIN A CHOIR at St. Clement's



Rehearse on Thursdays nights
with the Adult Choir.



You too can wear the stylish robes!



Enjoy Adult Choir brunch.



Or rehearse at Bishop's Ranch
at the annual choir retreat.



Or dress up for costume dramas!



Or a Youth Choir party.



Rehearsals resume for all three St. Clement's choirs after Labor Day.

JUNIOR YOUTH CHOIR

Children grades 3-6 are invited to join the Junior Choir. Beginning September 7, it meets each **Wednesdays 4-5 PM**. This is a great training program for children with and without musical experience. A snack is served at 3:45 PM and the children always have a fun time together. Once a month, Pizza Club follows choir rehearsal.

SENIOR YOUTH CHOIR

With a wonderful spirit of camaraderie, the Senior Choir continues its active program for youth in grades 7-12. Rehearsals take place **Sundays after**

church for an hour, but the first rehearsal of the season is on Saturday, September 10, at 11:00 AM and will include lunch together.

ADULT CHOIR

The Adult Choir meets on **Thursdays at 7:30 PM** for a two hour rehearsal. Some basic musical skills are required, but even if you are not experienced it might be worth trying out the choir. The choir enjoys many social events together, especially the annual fall retreat at The Bishop's Ranch. The first rehearsal is September 8.

Talk to Victor or Linda Gavenda if you have an interest in any of these groups. You may contact Linda at lindagavenda@mac.com or the church office (510-843-2678).

CALENDAR

September 4—Sunday

8:00 AM Holy Communion
10:00 AM Baptism & Holy Eucharist

September 5—Monday

Church Office closed

September 7—Wednesday

9:30 AM Staff Meeting
11:30 AM Holy Communion
4:00 PM Junior Youth Choir
5:00 PM Pizza Club

September 8—Thursday

7:30 PM Adult Choir

September 10—Saturday

11:00 AM Senior Youth Choir

September 11—Sunday

8:00 AM Holy Communion
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist
11:15 AM Parish Picnic

September 12—Monday

6:30 PM Education for Ministry

September 13—Tuesday

7:00 PM Vestry Meeting

September 14—Wednesday

9:30 AM Staff Meeting
11:30 AM Holy Communion
4:00 PM Junior Youth Choir

September 15—Thursday

7:30 PM Adult Choir

September 17—Saturday

4:00 PM Wedding of Iris Cunningham
& Michael Kerbey

September 18— Sunday

8:00 AM Holy Communion
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:30 AM Senior Youth Choir

September 19—Monday

6:30 PM Education for Ministry

September 21—Wednesday

9:30 AM Staff Meeting
11:30 AM Holy Communion
4:00 PM Junior Youth Choir

September 22—Thursday

7:30 PM Adult Choir

September 25— Sunday

8:00 AM Holy Communion
10:00 AM Morning Prayer
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:30 AM Senior Youth Choir
12:00 PM Twenties 'n Thirties Lunch
1:00 PM St. Clement's Scraps
6:00 PM Movie Group
6:30 PM Really Terrible String Orchestra

September 26—Monday

6:30 PM Education for Ministry

September 28—Wednesday

9:30 AM Staff Meeting
11:30 AM Holy Communion
12:00 PM Altar Guild Meeting
4:00 PM Junior Youth Choir

September 29—Thursday

7:30 PM Adult Choir

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Office Hours: Monday–Thursday
9:30 AM to 1:00 PM

SUNDAY

8:00 AM—Holy Communion

1928 Book of Common Prayer (every Sunday)

10:00 AM—Choral Eucharist

1979 Book of Common Prayer (Rite 1)
(1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th Sundays and Festival Days)

10:00 AM—Choral Morning Prayer

1928 Book of Common Prayer (4th Sundays)

WEDNESDAY

11:30 AM—Holy Communion

1928 Book of Common Prayer