

Ke 'Alemanaka

The Parish Postings

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From Pastor Heather



Long before I had kids of my own, I remember hearing at a conference for young clergy to look for God in the diaper changes. Though many of us are not currently changing diapers it is an important concept to consider. When parenting an infant, one is often so caught up in all the tasks that have to be done that it can be hard to see beyond the constant need. It is important for us to seek to find God in our lives in the midst of all the busyness.

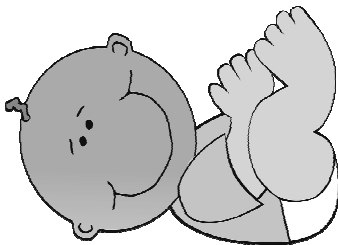
I have found that this concept can be quite profound in other circumstances. How often do we get so caught up in all that we are doing that we forget to look to see what God is doing? Recently I found that sometimes the constant news cycle leaves me down and wondering where God is in our world.

I invite you this month when you feel overwhelmed, whether by the daily needs in your personal life or in the world in which we live, to take a deep breath and look for God moving...

*In the faces and lives around you
In the beauty of creation
In a prayer
In a moment to take a deep breath*

God is with us in the mundane and the overwhelming. Sometimes we just have to remember to open our eyes and our hearts to see God.

~~ Blessings
Pastor Heather



The Parish e-Postings

In order to be better environmental and fiscal stewards of God's resources, we will be switching to the electronic emailed-only version of the newsletter with the **May 2019** issue. If you still wish to receive the hard copy of *Ke 'Alemanaka*, please notify the office (955-7745; parishadmin@stclem.org) no later than April 15, 2019. We will be happy to mail a hard copy to those of you who prefer that format.

The Gift

If I see the gift as mine alone to give,
I might give hesitantly,
even grudgingly, considering my options,
than giving from a sense of ought.
If I see the gift as God's
who allows me to use it for a time,
then the gift can flow more freely,
as I join with others
to be a channel
for God's love and mercy.

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Attendance and Offerings for September, 2018

September Attendance	772
September SCS Chapel Attendance	1,459
September Offerings	\$17,729
YTD Income as of 9/30/18	\$419,944
YTD Expenses as of 9/30/18	\$450,318

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DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER ISSUE

Friday, November 16, 2018



*Hau'oli la hanau to all those
born in November!*

<i>November 1</i>	<i>Lucia Cicero Karina Lok</i>
<i>November 3</i>	<i>Ron Brousseau Rich Lowe</i>
<i>November 5</i>	<i>Ediza Tamura</i>
<i>November 11</i>	<i>Mimi Andrian Betty Suzuki</i>
<i>November 12</i>	<i>Vivien Tham</i>
<i>November 13</i>	<i>John Marlowe Elizabeth McCutcheon</i>
<i>November 15</i>	<i>Loi Chang-Stroman Sandy Souza</i>
<i>November 16</i>	<i>Glenn Moir</i>
<i>November 17</i>	<i>Daniel Kali Annabel Murray</i>
<i>November 19</i>	<i>Elu Aydon Bobbie Brodhead Shalane Sambor</i>
<i>November 21</i>	<i>Kainoa van de Waal</i>
<i>November 22</i>	<i>Gayle Chang Bill Markevitch</i>
<i>November 26</i>	<i>Michelle Comeau Betty Fraser Benjamin Schoen</i>

If we missed your birthday, please let the office know!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 4, 2018

One Service 9am

Come celebrate with us!

Followed by an opportunity to learn about all of the
wonderful things St. Clement's does.

Mahalo Nui Loa...

- ♥ To **Trey Frank, Scott Hauger, Chaz Hill, Tau`eva Lino, Cathy Overstreet, and Susan Palmore** for serving as our delegates to the Diocesan Convention in Kona. Be sure to ask any of them about their experience. You may discover that you would like to be a delegate. We will be electing delegates to the 2019 convention at our annual meeting on January 27.
- ♥ To the Family Ministries team of **Scott and Gail Suzuki-Jones** and **Michelle Comeau** for the goodies sold after the Blessing of the Animals service.
- ♥ To **Beth Fincke** for directing the choir since Karol moved to the mainland. Our new Music Director and Organist will be arriving in December (see announcement below).

Capital Improvement Projects Up-date...

With the tenting, painting, and re-roofing completed, we want to once-again thank those who contributed financially to these projects. Although the majority of the funds for these projects came from Sally Edwards' planned gift to St. Clement's, many people have made it possible for us to maintain a Capital Improvement fund for the future. Mahalo nui loa to each of you.

It's not too late to join our donors to these projects. We will be installing a plaque in 2019 and would be happy to include you on it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Phone Number

Pastor Heather's new cell phone number is (808) 892-2744



National Association of Episcopal Schools



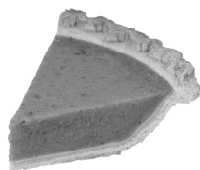
November 5-11 Pastor Heather will be traveling to Atlanta to participate in the National Association of Episcopal Schools (NAES) biennial Conference. Please keep her in your prayers as she seeks to learn best practices from other parishes with schools.



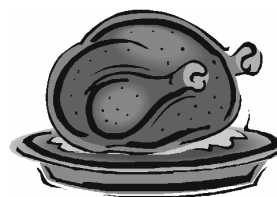
Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 21 at 7pm

We will continue our tradition of joint worship with the Lutheran Church of Honolulu (LCH). This year is our turn to host the service with LCH's pastor preaching. The service will be followed by a pie reception in the Vi and Paul Loo Parish House. If you would like to contribute a pie for this event, please sign up on the sheet on the table in the back of the church. This is a wonderful way to give thanks for the many benefits we receive from a generous and loving God.



Thanksgiving Dinner for YO! House



Once again St. Clement's will be providing a Thanksgiving Dinner for YO! House. If you would like to donate a turkey or baked goods for this meal, please contact Jane

Anderson (988-5164 or janehono@aol.com) and plan to drop off your contribution by Wednesday, November 21. If your turkey is frozen, please provide it no later than Sunday, November 18. Cooking will take place on Wednesday, November 21 at 9 am. If you can help in the kitchen, please let Jane know. Mahalo for your generosity.



New Music Director and Organist

Mark Kennedy will be joining St. Clement's 'Ohana starting in December as our organist and choir director. More information to come.



RAMZY BAROUD

In Honolulu

THE NEED TO RECLAIM THE PALESTINIAN NARRATIVE
GAZA
BOYCOTT DIVESTMENT SANCTIONS (BDS)

SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 3,
2018

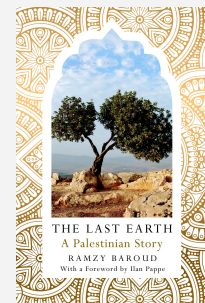
6:00 – 8:30 PM

ST CLEMENT'S
CHURCH

1515 Wilder Ave



Ramzy Baroud is a Palestinian-US journalist, media consultant, internationally-syndicated columnist and Editor of *Palestine Chronicle*, and University of California non-resident scholar at The Orfalea Center for Global and International Studies. He is the author of four books, including his latest: *The Last Earth: A Palestinian Story*, (2018).



These events are generously funded by **SABEEL-HAWAII**.

Co-sponsors: UH-Students and Faculty for Justice in Palestine [UH-SFJP]; Jewish Voice for Peace-Democratic Socialists of Honolulu; Academic Labor HI, UHM School of Hawaiian Knowledge, UHM Center for Biographical Research; The UHM Departments of American Studies, English, Ethnic Studies, and Political Science.

PUBLIC INVITED – FREE ADMISSION

Parking is available on site and nearby. Palestinian pupus will be served.

‘Āina Aloha Exhibit at Bishop Museum



BISHOP MUSEUM

Sunday, November 11, 2018 from 1 pm
Commemorative Day for Queen Liliuokalani

Aloha all,

Might I introduce you folks to a most unusual and remarkable mural, ‘Āina Aloha (Beloved Hawai‘i) - a touring, story-telling double-sided mural about the past and a hoped-for pathway to healing, from a Hawaiian viewpoint. It is on display at the Bishop Museum through January 2019 in the Long Gallery in Hawaiian Hall. It is part of the UNREAL exhibition.

The work was created by a team of six well-known Native Hawaiian



artists - *Al Lagunero, Meleanna Meyer, Harinani Orme, Kahi Ching, Carl F.K. Pao, and Solomon Enos* - whose objective was to create work that compelled the viewer to think about story and history - mo‘olelo of Hawai‘i and its past. There is a great need to seek truth and delve into the historical and cultural

trauma experienced by Native Hawaiians, past and present.

The ‘Āina Aloha mural is an educational outreach to communities, offering them opportunities to discuss difficult issues in the safety of kupuna energies, and armed with the knowledge of learning about Hawai‘i’s true past. This work is meant as an important healing opportunity, from which we together can work to assist all of our various communities to do the difficult work of understanding the past, forgiving, healing and moving on towards the wellness that we all seek. Come and take a tour with one of the artists, our own **Meleanna Meyer**, who as project lead, will be on hand to give you all a personal guided tour of this mural and two others at the Bishop Museum on which she was the lead artist.



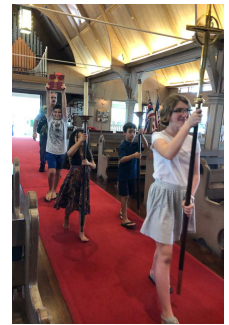
We will be getting a discounted entrance admission fee. Which for our group will be \$12.00 a person, half the usual fee. Please meet at the front entrance of the Bishop Museum by 1 pm. If you plan to attend please let Deacon Ha‘aheo (guanson@me.com) know.

~~ Submitted by
Meleanna Meyer and Ha‘aheo Guanson

Parish Snap Shots



Acolytes in Training



Uncle Scott has been offering Acolyte training sessions following the 10:15am service for several of the younger Sunday Schoolers. *Photos provided by Gail Suzuki-Jones.*

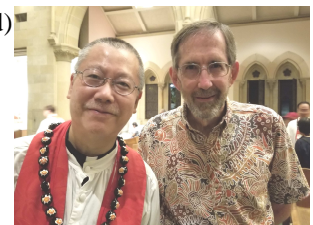


Episcopal Asiamerica Ministries National Consultation

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry preached at a special service held at St. Andrew’s Cathedral in conjunction with the Episcopal Asiamerica Ministries National Consultation in Honolulu. Following the service, clergy had a photo opportunity with the Presiding Bishop. Revs. Ray Woo and George Clifford (and Ha‘aheo Guanson, not pictured) were in attendance at the service.



*Photos by
Arthur Buto*



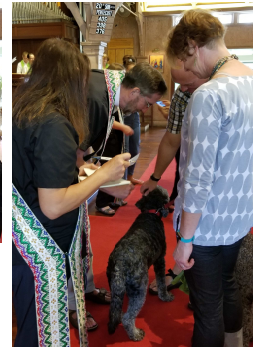
NOVEMBER 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue
<p>Note: Tuesday office hours during November: 8:30 am-7 pm</p>		
<p>4 All Saint's Day Family Sunday 9:00 All Saints Day Service-CH 5:00 Hui Lāpule La'i Mtg-MB 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p>5 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:20 PE Family Day B1-Pkg 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 2:00 Child Watch-PH 5:00 Hula Class-PH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 Al-Anon-PH</p>	<p>6 8:30 Foodland Visit- Pkg 8:30 School Tours-PH 1:30 Staff Meeting-PH1 2:00 Child Watch-PH 5:00 Labyrinth Open-PKG 6:00 Property Comm. Mtg.-PH1</p>
<p>—————Pastor Heather in Atlanta at NAES—————</p>		
<p>11 Outreach Sunday 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 8:45 Outreach activities-PH 10:00 Sunday School-PH/C.Bldg 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 11:30 Prayer Chain Mtg.-PH1 11:30 Outreach activities-PH 1:00 Exhibit Bishop Museum 5:00 Hui Lāpule La'i Mtg-MB 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p>12 Veterans Day Offices & School Closed 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 Al-Anon-PH</p>	<p>13 8:30 School Tours-PH 1:30 Staff Meeting-PH1 2:00 Child Watch-PH 6:00 Vestry Meeting-PH</p>
<p>—————Pastor Heather at NAES—————</p>		
<p>18 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 10:00 Sunday School-PH/C.Bldg 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 5:00 Hui Lāpule La'i Mtg-MB 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p>19 Parent-Teacher Conferences No School 5:00 Hula Class-PH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 Al-Anon-PH</p>	<p>20 Parent-Teacher Conferences No School 1:30 Staff Meeting-PH1 5:00 SCS Board Meeting-PH 6:30 EFM-PH1</p>
<p>25 7:30 Holy Eucharist-CH 8:45 Bible Workbench-PH2 8:45 Adult Discussion-PH 8:45 EV's-PH1 10:00 Sunday School-PH/C.Bldg 10:15 Holy Eucharist-CH 5:00 Hui Lāpule La'i Mtg-MB 7:00 Daily Reflections-PH</p>	<p>26 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 2:00 Child Watch-PH 5:00 Hula Class-PH 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 7:00 Mankind Project-MB 7:30 Al-Anon-PH</p>	<p>27 8:30 School Tours-PH 1:30 Staff Meeting-PH1 2:00 Child Watch-PH 6:15 Exec. Comm. Mtg-PH1</p>

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>1 8:30 Holy Folders-PH 10:00 Holy Eucharist-Arcadia 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p> <p>Ke'Alemanaka Assembly</p>	<p>2 Clergy Sabbath 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 10:00 Sabeel Cooking-Kit 2:00 Child Watch-PH 5:45 Hui Pō'alima 'Alaneo-MB 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>	<p>3 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB 9:30 RYSE Mtg.-PH 6:00 Sabeel Event-PH</p>
<p>7 8:00 SCS Chapel & Food Drive-CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 2:00 Child Watch-PH 3:45 Keiki Hula-PH 5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 5:30 Na 'Ohana Mtg-PH 6:30 EFM-PH1</p>	<p>8 10:20 PE Family Day C3-Pkg 11:00 C3 Thanksgiving Luncheon- PH 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p>	<p>9 Clergy Sabbath 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 10:20 PE Family Day C1-Pkg 2:00 Child Watch-PH 5:45 Hui Pō'alima 'Alaneo-MB 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>	<p>10 8am-6pm Lifeline Screening- PH 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB 9:00 iFoG-SL 6:30 Caledonian Society-PH</p>
<p>14 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:00 SCS Thanksgiving Lunch-PH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 2:00 Child Watch-PH 3:45 Keiki Hula-PH 5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:30 EFM-PH1</p>	<p>15 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p>	<p>16 Clergy Sabbath 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 2:00 Child Watch-PH 5:45 Hui Pō'alima 'Alaneo-MB 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p> <p>Ke`Alemanaka Deadline</p>	<p>17 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB 10:30 Food Dist. Prep-PH/KIT 11:30 Food Distribution-PH/KIT</p>
<p>21 Staff Professional Development Day—School Closed 9:00 Yo! House Ckg-PH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 7:00 Thanksgiving Service-CH</p>	<p>22 Thanksgiving Day Offices & School Closed</p> <p>No Farmers Market</p>	<p>23 Clergy Sabbath Offices & School Closed 5:45 Hui Pō'alima 'Alaneo-MB 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>	<p>24 9:00 Altar Guild-CH 9:00 Hui Pō'aono Wāhine-MB</p>
<p>28 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 10:00 Healing Eucharist-CH 11:00 YO! House Cooking-KIT 2:00 Child Watch-PH 3:45 Keiki Hula-PH 5:30 OA Mtg.-SL 5:30 Tae Kwan Do-PG 6:30 EFM-PH1</p>	<p>29 8:30 Holy Folders-PH 4:30 Farmers Market-PKG 6:30 Choir Rehearsal-CH</p> <p>Ke`Alemanaka Assembly</p>	<p>30 Clergy Sabbath 8:00 SCS Chapel-CH 8:30 SCS Dance-PH 10:00 Tourist Wedding-CH 1:00 Tourist Wedding-CH 2:00 Child Watch-CH 5:45 Hui Pō'alima 'Alaneo-MB 8:00 Strivers for Sobriety-PH</p>	<p>Key CH - Church PH - Parish House, main hall PH1 - Mtg room 1 in Parish House PH2 - Mtg room 2 in Parish House MB - Music Building SL - Staff Lounge KIT - Kitchen PG - Playground PKG - Parking Lot</p>

Blessing of the Animals



Photos above and right provided by Michelle Comeau



St. Clement's School News

Our students are excited for all that Fall brings. Of course, Halloween! Halloween is all about the fun costumes, treats and PUMPKINS!

Around campus, classrooms are filled with all things pumpkin! Many are experimenting with seeds from the pumpkins in art, sensory and prediction activities. What will they taste like? What are some "Juicy" words that describe how a pumpkin feels inside? Kinders are doing their annual, "Sink or Float" predictions with their pumpkins! We had some interesting thoughts as to why some pumpkins would rise to the top of the bucket, while others would sink to the bottom when they are all from the same family... PUMPKINS!

Ms. Cricket Biehn applied for and received a grant that allowed all of our P3's Keiki to visit Aloun Farms in 'Ewa Beach. They joined in a tour on the back of a truck, otherwise known as a Hawaiian Style Hayride, picked pumpkins from the patch and also learned

about various other crops grown and harvested on the farm. The long bus ride was almost as exciting as the visit and tour!

Mahalo to Ms. Biehn and Aloun Farms!

126 of the most adorable children in costumes, marched in our annual Halloween Parade around the playground! (pictures in next month's newsletter).

~~ Submitted by
Jodi Yoshioka
Head of School, St. Clement's School

P4 Field Trip to Waimanalo Pumpkin Farm



Photos provided by Jodi Yoshioka

Farmers Market Ministry Teams

Volunteer to help with this ministry by contacting Pam Fern (943-8987 or 561-1070) or Tim Hurd (372-9563)

Task	November 1	November 8	November 15	November 22	November 29
Point Person for/Set Up & Parking 3:00-5:30pm	Keith Kalway	Keith Kalway	Pam Fern	Thanksgiving No Market	Pam Fern
Parking 3:30-5:30 pm	Ben Douglas	Ben Douglas	Ben Douglas		Ben Douglas
Set Up 4:15-4:45 pm	Tim Hurd	Dana Anderson	Steve Marcuccilli		Steve Marcuccilli
Point Person 5:30-7:30 pm	Pam Fern - 561-1070				
Receipts, Rents 6:30-7pm	Martha Morgan	Susan Palmore	Michele Morikami		Michele Morikami
Take down/ Closing* 7:20-8pm	Beth Fincke Terry Ledford John Marlowe*	Ken Morikami Sandy Souza Arthur Buto*	Soane or Nicholas Lino Jim Mattingly Terry Ledford*		Steve Marcuccilli Pam Fern*

House Sitters Available Christmas Holidays



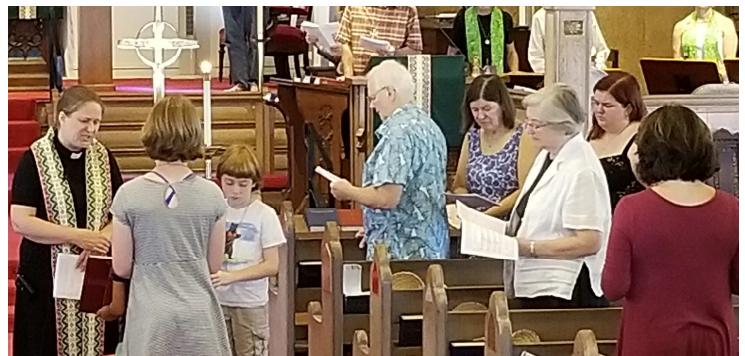
Nellie McLaughlin's daughter and her husband are looking for a house sitting opportunity (could include cat/dog sitting) during the Christmas holidays. They are hoping to be here for Christmas plus the week before

and after, if possible. Specific arrival is still pending and may depend on your wants/needs. They live in Connecticut. Please contact Nellie McLaughlin (macnel@icloud.com or 218-6593) if you know someone in need. They are very responsible people!

~~ Submitted by
Nellie McLaughlin



More Parish Snap Shots



Pastor Heather's family were visiting and attended the October 28th service. Ed Gaspar, Heather's+ stepfather, Roberta Gaspar, Heather's+ mother, and Emily Hill, Heather's+ sister listened as she read the Gospel lesson. *Photo by Arthur Buto.*

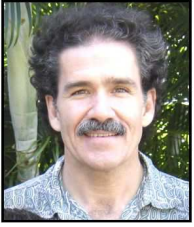
2019 Pledge Cards

Pledge cards for 2019 were mailed out in October. If you have not yet returned yours, please do so by Sunday, November 18. Generosity and Gratitude (or is it Gratitude and Generosity?) will help to continue the broad ministry of St. Clement's to ourselves, our neighbors, and the world.

"Hatred does not have the last word. Violence does not have the last word. Bigotry does not have the last word. Sin, evil do not have the last word. The last word is God, and God is love."

From Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's Easter message 2018

A View from the Pew



⁵⁰So, throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.

⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?'

The blind man said to him, 'My Teacher,^{*} let me see again.'

⁵²Jesus said to him, 'Go, your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way."

The Gospel According to Mark / 10:50-52

Like most if not all of the stories about Jesus, there is always more than one lesson, with the most obvious lesson usually not being the point of the story. Everything about the life of Jesus is not just allegorical, it is parabolic. First, there is the story itself, and then there are the metaphors, analogies, and symbols, and the meanings embedded within, obvious as well as subtle, and often times, for all practical purposes, concealed. To take the stories of Jesus, not to mention the Bible in it's entirety, at face value is to limit understanding, invite misunderstanding, and to miss the many points therein altogether.

A great example is last Sunday's Gospel reading from Mark about Jesus restoring the sight of a homeless man, a "beggar" named Bartimaeus. Before he was healed, many people in the crowd who had gathered in Jericho to see, hear, and experience Jesus scolded Bartimaeus because they very likely believed his prayer ~ his plea for mercy ~ was selfish, or that Jesus was too important to be bothered with someone of low standing such as him. It would not even be surprising if some of Jesus' own disciples told Bartimaeus to be quiet, too. However, when Jesus heard Bartimaeus, with his shouts nearly drowned out by the clamor of the crowd, Jesus told the people to bring Bartimaeus to him. When Bartimaeus was subsequently told Jesus would see him, he threw off his cloak, jumped up to his feet, and was led through the crowd to Jesus. Face to face, Jesus asked Bartimaeus what he wanted him to do. In reply, Bartimaeus answered, "My teacher, let me see again." To this, Jesus said, "Go, your faith has made you well." With these simple words, Bartimaeus' sight was restored and he followed Jesus on the way.

Of course, Bartimaeus' faith made him well, but this is only a backdrop for a much greater point in this story. After ten of the sixteen chapters in the Gospel According to Mark, even if we had been inattentive or skimming as we read, we should have at least an idea of what our faith can do, what the faith of others can do, and even tragically what people's a lack of faith can do. To mention just a few of the faith-stories in Mark: In Galilee, a faithful leper comes to Jesus begging for mercy and, with a only touch, is cured; a faithful father's young son is healed of seizures with a simple blessing; inversely, a wealthy man lacking faith rejects Eternal Life and chooses his earthly possessions instead; and then there are the faithful crowds throughout Jesus' ministry who bring him the deaf, the mute, the paralyzed, the sick, the possessed, and even the dead, and they are restored. Think about it: Why would we need yet another story such as this one, however remarkable, about the inherent power of faith in Jesus, whether it be our faith, the faith of another, or the faith of a community?

The temptation, and granted it is a huge one, is to argue that faith is what is required if we want God, through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, to miraculously intercede on our own behalf, on behalf of someone close to us, on behalf of someone we sympathize with in our community, or even on behalf of someone in dire need who, for all practical purposes, lives in another world. However, as we all know, God does not always grant us our prayers, at least not in the way we intended, formed, and shared them, no matter how faithful or unfaithful we might be. After all, should we forget, God's answers to our prayers are gifts, not things that we or others are entitled to or deserve. We are not employed by God to do God's bidding and God is not our paymaster compensating us with answers to our prayers. In the same way, God is certainly not employed by us nor paid with our prayers to do our bidding. To believe otherwise is the ultimate in narcissism and self-entitlement, eliminating the very concept of "gift" entirely. On the other hand, God always listens to our prayers and, if we listen to God as well, even our most conceited, vain, self-serving, and profane prayers can be transformed into God's altogether self-sacrificing will. Similarly, I would argue that, much like our prayers, our entire beings are transformed by our faith, the faith of others, and the faith of entire communities.

In my mind, the point of this story is hidden within the drama of the segments of the last three sentences of this story. Bartimaeus throwing off his cloak, the only thing protecting him from the world. Bartimaeus⁵ springing up when called and coming to Jesus unshielded and completely vulnerable. Bartimaeus asking Jesus to^{*} let him see again. And finally, Bartimaeus⁵²...regaining his sight and following Jesus not on the way, but on The Way. In other words, the meaning of this story is not so much about Bartimaeus' sight being restored through faith, as miraculous as it was. Rather, it is about what happens to the "Bartimaeus" in all of us when we dare shout out in the presence of the Lord, asking, begging for a miracle. This story could be a warning: We will be transformed.

~~ Submitted by
Scott Suzuki-Jones

November 2018 Lay Ministers

	November 4	November 11	November 18	November 25
Year B Office Lect.: 2	All Saint's Day	Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost	Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	Last Sunday after Pentecost
Readings	<u>Isaiah 25:6-9</u> <u>Psalm 4</u> <u>Revelation 21:1-6a</u> <u>John 11:32-44</u>	<u>Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17</u> <u>Psalm 127</u> <u>Hebrews 9:24-28</u> <u>Mark 12:38-44</u>	<u>1 Samuel 1:4-20</u> <u>1 Samuel 2:1-10</u> <u>Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25</u> <u>Mark 13:1-8</u>	<u>2 Samuel 23:1-7</u> <u>Psalm 132:1-13 (14-19)</u> <u>Revelation 1:4b-8</u> <u>John 18:33-37</u>
Flowers	Beth Fincke Pam Fern	Kiki Fordham	Beth Fincke Pam Fern	Beth Fincke Adrienne Lau

7:30 am Service

Lector	Sandy Souza	Kingsley Wong	Hew Reynolds	Kingsley Wong
Lect/Euch. Min	Scott Hauger	Pam Fern	Dana Anderson	Martha Morgan
Euch. Minister	Martha Morgan	Susan Palmore	Scott Hauger	Pam Fern
Altar Guild	Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Pam Fern	Cecilia Fordham
Ushers	Harrison Ishida Sandy Souza	Sandy Souza	Wong Family	Sandy Souza
Coffee Hour	Tahmi Brodhead	Wong Family	Leslie Isaki	Cecilia Fordham

10:15 am Service

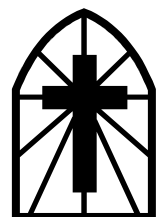
Lector	Youth	Maty Carpenter	Annette Jim	Nellie McLaughlin
Lect/Euch. Min	Paris Priore-Kim	Moria Amjadi	Brad Siefkes	Jane Anderson
Euch. Minister	Moria Amjadi	Brad Siefkes	Jane Anderson	Moria Amjadi
Altar Guild	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke	Beth Fincke
Ushers	Liz Baldwin Terry Ledford	Arthur Buto Terry Ledford	Liz Baldwin Keli'i deFrancia	Arthur Buto Trey Frank
Coffee Hour	Keli'i deFrancia	Tau'eva Lino	Martha Kaser Terry Ledford Nellie McLaughlin	Liz Baldwin
Offering Counters	Terry Ledford Brad Siefkes	Liz Baldwin Brian Crow	Joni & Kingsley Wong	Arthur & Lisa Buto

Greeters:

7:30 am - Leslie Isaki

10:15 am - Deborah Candace Love, Annette Jim

Thanksgiving Eve - Wednesday, November 21
Lector - Jim Cartwright (LCH)
Lect/Euch. Min - Dana Anderson
Euch. Minister - Susan Palmore





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Schedule of Worship Services
Sundays: 7:30 am and 10:15 am
Wednesdays: 10 am

Datebook

Saturday, November 3
6 pm - Ramzy Baroud at Sabeel event (see pg 4)

Sunday, November 4 **All Saint's Day**
9 am **One Service Only**
Showcase of St. Clement's opportunities follows

Monday, November 5-Sunday, November 11
Pastor Heather at NAES conf. in Atlanta

Sunday, November 11 **Outreach Sunday**
Outreach activities following both services
1 pm Bishop Museum Tour (see pg 5)

Monday, November 12 **Veterans Day**
Offices and School Closed

Tuesday, November 13
6 pm Vestry meeting - guests welcome

Friday, November 16
Ke`Alemanaka Deadline

Saturday, November 17
11:30 Food Distribution & Lunch ministry

Wednesday, November 21
7 pm Thanksgiving Eve worship
Pie reception immediately following

Thursday, November 22 **Thanksgiving Day**
And Friday, November 23
Offices and School Closed

Thursday, November 29
Ke`Alemanaka Assembly

Parish Office Hours:
Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Tuesdays 8:30 am to 7:00 pm
Staff meetings - Tuesdays, 1:30 pm to 2:30 PM

Thursdays
4:30 pm Farmers Market

