

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## Preacher:

Richard Bentley	264-0560
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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

Bible Study	54
Worship	85
Contribution	\$2644

### Sunday PM

Worship	55
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	63
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*A friendly church with  
a saving message*

## WORSHIP TIMES

### Sunday

Bible Class	10:00 AM
Worship	11:00 AM
Worship	6:00 PM

### Wednesday

Bible Class	7:00 PM
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## GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

- **Hear** the Gospel (*Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32-34, 1 Cor. 15:1-2*)
- **Believe** Jesus is the Son of God (*John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6*)
- **Repent** of your sins (*Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30*)
- **Confess** faith in Jesus Christ (*Romans 10:9-10; Matt. 10:32*)
- **Be Baptized** (immersed) for forgiveness of your sins (*Acts 2:38; John 3:5; Rom 6:3, 4*)
- **Live Faithfully** (*2 Peter 1:10-11; Revelation 2:10*)

## Our Mission Works

**Garry Jones – India**  
The Mustard Seed Village, The  
Rainbow Village for Girls, & The  
Spiritual Sword Bible Institute,  
Antioch Program

**Scott Shanahan – Ireland**

Please follow us on



## Serving the Congregation Apr. 29, 2018

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Joey Smith	Singing
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Herman Herren	Dwight Nicholson
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Rick Caudle, Daniel McInturff, Eric Mowery, Earl Broadway	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Glen Morgan	Tim Nygard
<b>PM Table:</b>	Jim Ashworth	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Stump Smith	
<b>Usher:</b>	Dale Mowery	

**Wednesday evening: May 2, 2018**

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Ben Smith
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Stump Smith

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## What Preachers Wish Members Knew About Elders

Neal Pollard (Neal is a great brother who is spot-on in this fine article - RWB)

While there are doubtless men who wear the name "elder" that do not meet the biblical qualifications, many of the church's greatest heroes and biggest assets are her shepherds. I have been privileged to serve under a total of 21 elders in 26 years of full-time preaching, and what I am about to say applies to each of them. Part of their work is public and visible, but I dare say so much more of it is conducted before the eyes of only a few or one sheep or even at times only before the eyes of God. My experience with elders is that they are humble men and they will never tell you what I am about to tell you. Here are a few things elders wish all members knew about them.

### --Elders do...

- Care.
- See people at their messiest.
- Sometimes get the brunt of the lashing out people do when in pain.
- Always, always put people first.
- Give generously of their time.
- Agonize.
- Hard things none of the rest of us can or will do.
- Have insight into sensitive situations that others may not.
- Have feet of clay.
- Pray fervently for the needs and problems of the flock.
- Desire to communicate to the church as much as they feel they can.
- Want to have a relationship with every member.
- Love God and seek to please Him above all else.

### --Elders don't...

- Give up on sheep.
- Defend themselves.
- Do it for the glory.
- Seek the praise of men.
- Hold a grudge.
- Play favorites or have double standards.
- Read minds or judge motives.
- Want to lose a single sheep.
- Publicly share everything that's on their plate or comes their way.
- Want to lead God's people away from Him and His will.

In an elders meeting last night, one of our shepherds was asked to read Hebrews 13:17. The elder chairing the meeting said, "This passage encourages me." The elder who read said, "This passage frightens me!" As each of them discussed the sober meaning of that passage, I thought back to things I'd seen each of them do recently. It made me so thankful to serve under an eldership that takes their work seriously. Are they perfect men? Impossible! Are they God's men? Absolutely! Please pray for the eternal work elders do in congregations around the world every day!

**If you're visiting with us today – WELCOME! – We're glad you're here!**

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Apr 29	VBS Meeting
Apr 29	Song Service + Fingerfoods
May 6	Cake/Ice Cream
May 9	Silver Saints
May 26	Church Picnic
May 27	Graduate Recognition
June 17	TCC begins
July 22-26	VBS
Oct 21	75th Anniv. Homecoming

### SONG SERVICE + FINGERFOODS

We will have our monthly song service and finger food fellowship tonight. Our puppet friends will also be here for the children! Plan to be back with us!

### VBS MEETING

All those interested in helping out with our Vacation Bible School this summer in any way is invited to a meeting today at 5:30.

### PICTURE BOARD UPDATES

If you would like to have your picture updated on the picture board, please see Dwight Nicholson.

### BON VOYAGE!

On May 6, after evening services, we will have cake and ice cream to wish Jacob Mowery well as he leaves for 3 months for his internship out of state. We will miss him while he is gone and area already looking forward to his return!

### NATURE HIKE

On Saturday, May 5, there will be a hike on the River Bluff Trail at Norris Dam State Park. Meet at the Visitors Center at 9:00am and wear appropriate shoes or boots. Bring water, snacks, and/or lunch. This is a loop trail approx. 3.2 miles long. Let Gail Sharp know if you want to go or if you need more info [gsharp143@comcast.net](mailto:gsharp143@comcast.net) or text (865) 254-5967

## THE ELDERS' CORNER

Thank you from the elders to those who teach our classes covering the spiritual growth with the milk of God's inspired Word and to our classes teaching those meatier topics. Matt. 28:20 "...teaching them to **observe** (i.e. "to strongly take care of" - Strong 5083) all things..." commanded to us in the New Testament. Teaching classes requires a lot of study and preparation. We encourage everyone to attend and take advantage of all good work our teachers do for us. Our teachers are always pleased when their teaching produces a spiritual growth for all in attendance.

*-Dwight*

### GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We would like to honor our graduates on Sunday evening, May 27, during our fellowship meal. If you are graduating this year off have a graduate, please let Joey Smith know.

## AREA EVENTS

### GOSPEL MEETING

LaFollette Church of Christ: April 29-May 3

### KCS SPONSOR'S DINNER

Knoxville Christian School: May 4

### LADIES DAY

Scarboro Church of Christ: May 5

### KCS NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Regal Pinnacle Turkey Creek: May 12

### GREAT THEMES OF SCRIPTURE SEMINAR

Gatlinburg Church of Christ: May 18-20

### SOUTHEAST LEADERSHIP CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: June 3-10

*\*Please see the bulletin board and table in the foyer for more info on these area happenings.\**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Linda Asher**, Thelma Merrill's sister, is having multiple tests and appointments.  
**Sarah Mefford** is now at home after knee surgery and therapy. She is improving.  
**Josh Deaton**, Ashley McInturff's brother, learned that his tumors are stabilizing or shrinking. Treatments will continue.  
**Kathy Caudle** is dealing with back pain/sciatica pain but has been improving.  
**John Tidwell**, Katie Tidwell's father, is improving.  
**Susan Olsen**, Micheal Olsen's wife, is facing upcoming knee surgery.  
**Georgia Herren** has finally been able to get sleep at night. This is a major breakthrough for Georgia for which we are so thankful.  
**Herman Herren** is in need of our prayers as he takes care of Georgia.  
**Brenda Jennings** continues to need our prayers.  
**Teri Blesi**, Janella Melton's daughter, had her second cochlear implant put in.  
**Audrey Egerton**, great-niece of Gail Sharp, has had some issues but continues to be about the same. She is scheduled for heart surgery on May 22.  
**Peggy Hooten**, Cheri Lancaster's mother, has been improving and, after consultation with her doctors, has determined that further treatments are not necessary.  
**H.R. Stooksbury**, neighbor of Bunny and Jayme Nash, has been improving. His family is thankful for our prayers!  
**Betty Weaver** is in need of our prayers.  
**Ina Tucker**, Lesley Mowery's mother, is in need of our prayers.  
**Scott James** was scheduled for a lung biopsy at Vanderbilt last week. Please remember in your prayers **Zander Huffman's mother**, who left for 30 days of training this weekend. She will be deployed overseas for a year when she returns.

**Continue to remember:** Rimikay Bachelor, Ben Barbee, Donna Benjamin, Beverly Burt, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Delma Byrd, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Melissa Everetts, Nasha Foster, Bernice Hammock, Tracy Hart, Lynn Hawkins, Sheree Hoskins, Dicey Humphrey, Beulah Jackson, Polly Keck, Lee LaMay, Connor Livingston, Sharon Martin, Norma Jean McGhee, Carolina Grace McClemore, Carolyn Mitchell, Becky Monday, Chloe Parker, Jean Perkins, Joel Peters, Carolyn Scruggs, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Joyce Stearsman, Elaine Stevenson, Denzil Thompson, Darlene Thurman, Andrew Verble, Tabitha Weaver, Harrison Waldron, Thomas Wales, Steve Yearwood, Jack Zorn

**Cancer Treatment:** Christie Cinnamon, Sawyer Cole, Josh Deaton, Gail Foust, Bob Hamby, Belle McCoy, Janice Plagge, Rhonda Perkins, Gail Sharp, Joshua Stokes, Tiffany Vann, Gail Wilkinson

**Shut-In:** *At home* - Mary Gilley, Ken Smith, Elmira Trentham; *Morning Pointe* - Jo Rutherford; *Summit View of Rocky Top* - Ella Mae Burchfield; *Summit View* - Ann Nygard; *Beverly Park Place Knoxville* - Jean Dye

Updates to the Prayer List may be sent to [churchofchristclinton@gmail.com](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com) or given to Joey Smith.

### CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, May 26, for our congregational picnic. We will post more information on time and location in next week's bulletin.