

Clinton church of Christ

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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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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	52
Worship	89
Contribution	\$2315

Sunday PM

Worship	60
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Wednesday

Bible Study	45
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GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

1. Hearing the word of God (*Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32*)
2. Believing what is taught (*Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6*)
3. Repentance (*Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30*)
4. Confession (*Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37*)
5. Baptism (*Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4*)
6. After the above five steps, faithful Christian living (*1 Peter 2:11, 12; Revelation 2:10*)

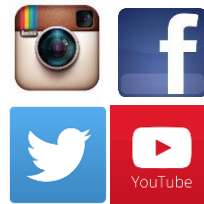
THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

1. Bible is its only guide (*Romans 1:16; 1 Thess. 2:13*)
2. Wears a Biblical name (*Romans 16:16*)
3. Established at the right place (*Isaiah 2:2, 3; Acts 2*)
4. Established at the right time (*Joel 2:28-32; Acts 2*)
5. Established on the right person (*Matthew 16:18; Acts 2:36*)
6. Saved are in it (*Ephesians 5:23; Acts 2:47*)
7. Its members are enrolled in heaven (*Hebrews 12:23*)
8. Membership in it is obtained by obedience to God's commands including baptism (*Acts 2:41-47, 1 Cor. 12:13*)

OUR MISSIONS

Garry Jones: **India**
Scott Shanahan: **Micronesia**
Jim Waldron: **India**
Our members: **Clinton & Anderson County, TN**

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation September 6, 2015

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
Song Leaders:	Ben Smith	Dale Mowery
Opening Prayer:	Dale Mowery	James McCrary
Lord's Table:	Herman Herren, Eric Mowery, John Bushey, Greg Jernigan	
Closing Prayer:	Daniel McInturff	Jacob Mowery
PM Table:	Ben Smith	
Announcements:	Stump Smith	
Usher:	Jim Ashworth	

Wednesday evening: September 9, 2015

Song Leader:	Ben Smith
Invitation:	Stump Smith
Announcements:	Herman Herren

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A friendly church with a saving message

How to See the Good In Others

Neal Pollard

Some just can't! They assume bad motives, intentions, and behaviors in others. They like to predict failure and disaster. Some take that attitude toward people, including Christians. "They won't last!" "They can't cut it as a deacon/elder." "He won't ever be a good preacher!" "They just want the praise of men." Think about all the people you know and interact with. Some are exceptionally talented and pleasant and some are pretty worthless and repulsive, but most are in-between the two extremes. But, what if I told you that you could influence what others become? Barnabas did (*Acts 4:36*). He was so good at encouraging people, "encouragement" wasn't his middle name but his first name. Who was the first one to see good in Saul of Tarsus (*Acts 9:27*)? Who saw great potential in Antioch (*Acts 11:23-26*)? Who still believed in John Mark (*Acts 15:37*), who Paul would later think valuable once more (*2 Tim. 4:11*)? Barnabas was a great leader because of what he could see in others. We can make an eternal difference in people by seeing the good in them.

First, take them where they are.

Jesus did. Do you remember when Jesus met Peter (*Luke 5:1-11*)? Peter calls himself sinful. We know he was impetuous (*John 18:10*) and could use unsavory words (*Mat. 26:74*). Peter's business partners, the Sons of Thunder (*Mark 3:17*) seemed to have some anger management issues. In fact, Jesus made it an emphasis to take sinful people and work with them wherever they were (the woman at the well, the sinful woman caught in adultery, Bacchus, publicans, sinners, etc.). We will never help people get to heaven if we can't take them where they are.

Then, see them for what they could be.

Whether it's a non-Christian or Christian, they need us to be able to see their potential and think the best of them. I don't mean gullibility or compromise, but optimism! Why did Christ put such effort into Peter? He was a sinful man when He met him, made many mistakes while he was with Him, and denied Him in His greatest moment of need (*Luke 22:60-62*). He saw what Peter could be (*John 21:15-17*). Look past people's quirks and flaws; imagine the possibilities. There's got to be a soul-winner in every Christian, since Christ commands it of us all (*Mark 16:15-16*). Every one of us can be faithful, dedicated, and fruitful Christians. Every lost person could have their hearts softened by the gospel-at the least the gospel has the power (*Heb. 4:12; Rom. 1:16*). Remember, love "hopes all things" (*1 Cor. 13:7*).

Finally, help them be what they can be.

It's far easier to be the critic and tell people what they're doing wrong. But remember, "To belittle is to be little." Criticism alone is useless. It's a lot tougher to help people improve and to go about helping with patience. Jesus didn't end His work by telling people what sinners or failures they were. He guided them to the better way (*Mat. 7:13*). He told the adulteress to stop sinning (*John 8:11*). He told Peter to go feed His sheep (*John 21*). When He was through with Zaccheus, he went from thief to philanthropist. Jesus' whole purpose was to take people afflicted with sin and transform them. It is rewarding work to invest in people and to help them grow. The Bible tells us to help people do better and be better (*Gal. 6:1*). To see the best in others, be willing to help and lead them (*Luke 6:39-40*).

If we are negative and pessimistic, that really is just a commentary on us. Look for good in others. Accept, anticipate, and assist!

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Sept 15	Ladies Day worknight
Sept 19	Ladies Day
Sept 25-26	Fall Family Retreat
Nov 1	Scott Shanahan speaking
Nov 7	EDP Breakfast
Nov 14	UT Football outing
Oct 4	Clinton Homecoming

SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Bill and Tangelia Kesterson in the passing of Bill's brother and Tangelia's uncle, Tom Kesterson. Please remember this family in your prayers.

NEW BABY BOY

Congratulations to Aaron and Kaydee Ashworth on the birth of a baby boy, Corbin Robert Ashworth. He was 6lbs 8oz and 19 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jimmy and Ruth Ashworth.

Ladies Day



Saturday, Sept. 9

"Wild About Living"

with Susan Fox



Fall Family Retreat

Saturday, Sept. 25-26

at Hillbrook Christian Camp

Friday Night Cookout

S'Mores & Singing Around the Fire

Saturday Morning Scavenger Hunt

Come and stay the night in the cabins....or just come and enjoy the daytime activities.

Please sign up sheet in the foyer.

E-D-P BREAKFAST

The elders, deacons, and preacher will have a breakfast meeting on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 9:00am here at the building. Please mark your calendars now and be in attendance.

CLINTON HOMECOMING

Mark your calendars for Homecoming on Sunday, Oct. 4. We will have lunch following morning service and a 2:00 worship service (*there will be no 6pm service*).

LADIES DAY WORKNIGHT

The ladies will have a "get ready" night for Ladies Day on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 7:00pm.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Ann Nygard suffered a mini-stroke but is doing well.

Richard Egerton, Gail Sharp's father, is undergoing chemo.

Bunny Nash is in Room 102 at Briarcliff in Oak Ridge. She is doing well.

Greg Kell, Cindy Jones' brother, is critically ill and is in need of our prayers.

Theresa Bean, a coworker of Diane Shelton, has health issues and is unable to work.

Harrison Waldron, Ruth Ashworth's nephew, continues to need our prayers as he is still unconscious following a severe brain injury.

Howard Herren, Herman Herren's brother, is in need of our prayers.

Betty Campbell, Frances Walker's mother, is very ill with cancer in Timaru, New Zealand.

Andrew Verble continues to make a slow recovery and needs our prayers.

Dawn Love, Elaine Stevenson's daughter, is ill and in need our our prayers and encouragement. Please send cards to 10 Grove Street, Canton, NY 13617.

Continue to remember: Chloe Bass, Mason Battistelli, Donna Benjamin, Ella Mae Burchfield, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Tammy Burt, Charles Butler, Lisa Carr, Melissa Caylor, Lakhilata Chakma, Greg Cline, Don Cox, John Crawhorn, Mary Jo Dailey, Fred Davis, Fran Denton, Ruby Durst, Jean Dye, Joyce Evans, Nasha Foster, Gail Foust, Helen Gilbreath, Mary Gilley, Riley Hackworth, Sue Hale, Beulah Jackson, Garry Jones, Greg Kell, Lee LaMay, Linda Laughter, Phyllis Leslie, Connor Livingston, Sharon Martin, Norma Jean McGhee, Betty McInturff, Kayla Mefford, Sarah Mefford, Carolyn Mitchell, Ronda Moss, Ann Nygard, Joel Peters, Anna Phillips, Bobbie Sue Phillips, Cordia Reagan, Ron & Susan Reagan, Jimmy Redden, Michelle Rowland, Kenneth Schultz, Carolyn Scruggs, Nathan Shaw, Sarah Shaw, Helen Shepherd, Ken Smith, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Elaine Stevenson, Rosemary Summers, Jack Taylor, Alex Thomas, Denzil Thompson, Elmira Trentham, Andrew Verble, Franklin Wharton, Trisha Woosley, & Steve Yearwood in your prayers.

Updates to the Prayer List can be sent to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com or given to Joey Smith.

AREA EVENTS

Laurel church of Christ is hosting a consignment sale to benefit families who are adopting children. They are in need of consignors. Please see the flyer in the foyer for more info.

Karns church of Christ will be conducting a Fall Bible Day Camp called "Forever His" for children with special needs on Oct 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The camp is limited to 15. You may register at www.karnscoc.org.

West Sparta church of Christ is coordinating a Tennessee Prayer Meeting for our nation on Wednesday night, Sept. 16. See the info flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Karns church of Christ will have their Ladies Day on Oct. 17 with Kathleen Ferrell, 9:00am to 12:30pm. The topic will be "Fear." Lunch will be provided.

Great Smoky Mountains church of Christ in Pigeon Forge will host the next Area-Wide Leadership Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, Nov. 14 beginning at 9:00am.