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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	56
Worship	93
Contribution	2397

Sunday PM

Worship	56
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Wednesday

Bible Study	40
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God's Plan of Salvation

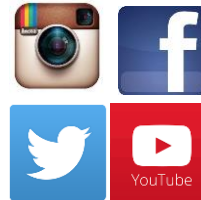
1. Hearing the word of God (*Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32*)
2. Believing what is taught (*Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6*)
3. Repentance (*Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30*)
4. Confession (*Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37*)
5. Baptism (*Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4*)
6. After the above five steps,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



Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation November 8, 2015

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
Song Leaders:	Ben Smith	Rick Caudle
Opening Prayer:	Stump Smith	Herman Herren
Lord's Table:	Hobert Humphrey, Tim Nygard, John Bushey, Mike Olsen	
Closing Prayer:	Bob Paquette	Jacob Mowery
PM Table:	Stump Smith	
Announcements:	Dale Mowery	
Usher:		

Wednesday evening: November 11, 2015

Song Leader: Joey Smith
Invitation: Herman Herren
Announcements: Dale Mowery

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A friendly church with a saving message

How Patient Was Job?

Jon Galloway

Throughout Job's ordeal, he maintained before his friends that he was innocent, that he had not committed any dreadful sin that would have caused God to send these calamities on him. But he also did not understand why God had allowed all this to happen to him. We have the advantage of knowing what happened in chapters 1 and 2 when God and Satan were talking together.

Although Job was correct in that he was innocent of any sin which brought the calamities on him, as we read his speeches he became more and more demanding of God, that God owed him an explanation. We sometimes say that Job was patient – when I read through this book I really don't see a patient man, at least patient in the sense that we use the word today.

We get the idea of Job's patience from the King James Version's translation of James 5:11, which used an older definition of patience. Translations using modern English will use "endurance," "steadfastness" or "perseverance." "Think of how we regard as blessed those who have endured. You have heard of Job's endurance and you have seen the Lord's purpose, that the Lord is full of compassion and mercy," (James 5:11).

The modern definition of the word 'patient' is "able to accept or tolerate delays, problems, or suffering without becoming annoyed or anxious" (*Oxford Dictionary of English*). Job doesn't quite meet this definition of patience, although he did endure his suffering and was steadfast in not giving up on God, as his wife had urged him to do at the beginning of his ordeal. "Are you still holding firmly to your integrity? Curse God, and die!" (Job 2:9).

Job was confident in God. He was confident that if he could only present his case to God, God would see that he was innocent and take away his suffering – or at least let him die in peace. "If only I had someone to hear me! Here is my signature – let the Almighty answer me! If only I had an indictment that my accuser had written. Surely I would wear it proudly on my shoulder, I would bind it on me like a crown; I would give him an accounting of my steps; like a prince I would approach him," (Job 31:35-37).

And God did speak to Job! After asking him question after question in chapters 38 and 39, Job realized how little he really knew in comparison to God. He replied, "Indeed, I am completely unworthy – how could I reply to you? I put my hand over my mouth to silence myself. I have spoken once, but I cannot answer; twice, but I will say no more," (Job 40:4-5). If nothing else, Job had learned not to question the wisdom of God!

At the end of the book, after some further questions from God, Job acknowledged, "I have declared without understanding things too wonderful for me to know," (Job 42:3). It is interesting that God then venerates Job in front of his friends – his friends had misrepresented God, but Job had spoken truly about God (42:7-8).

If we, as Christians, only had the confidence in God that Job had. If only we lived as faithful and pure lives as Job lived so that when we were accused of some dreadful sin, we knew that we were innocent and still faithful to God. If only we would remain faithful despite what we have to endure. Satan is still active. Like a roaring lion, he is on the prowl, looking for someone to devour. He wasn't able to have Job. Let us pray that we all can remain as steadfast as Job, resisting the devil and remaining confident in God.

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Nov 11	Silver Saints
Nov 14	UT Football Outing
Nov 25	Thanks-Singing Service
Nov 29	Leftover Fellowship
Dec 5	Ladies Holiday Lunch
Dec 23	Song & Prayer Service

SILVER SAINTS

The Silver Saints are meeting this week on Wednesday morning. Won't you join them this month?!

UT FOOTBALL OUTING

Our outing to the UT football game is Saturday, Nov. 14. The game begins at noon. Please meet here at the building at 8:00am that morning to drive over.

LIBRARY DONATIONS

Mrs. Bunny Nash has donated a book to the church library in memory of brother Carlos Herren. Evans-Ailey Construction has also made a monetary donation in memory of brother Carlos Herren that will be used to purchase new books for our library.

MICRONESIA MISSION WORK

Scott Shanahan gave us a presentation last Sunday about the mission work in Micronesia. The congregation in Pohnpei has the opportunity to purchase their meeting facility. The Clinton elders have decided to contribute \$2000 towards this effort. Many of you have already made additional contributions to this amount. If you would like to contribute towards this specific mission need, please see one of the elders or give your donation to Joey Smith.



TRUNK-OR-TREAT REPORT

Thank you to everyone who set up and attended our Trunk-or-Treat on Oct. 31. Our best estimates are that we had around 250 children and (including parents) a grand total of around 500+ visitors. In addition to candy, each child received a written invitation to Bible class and our various youth activities.

DVES PROGRAM

DVES will also host a Veterans Day Program on the morning of Nov. 11.



CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

It is time to start making plans for our trip to CYC 2016 the weekend of Feb. 26-28. We will need to register by December, so please let Joey Smith know now if you plan to go. The cost to attend will be around \$55.

FRUIT AND CHEESECAKE

Karen Hamby is helping the Clinton High School Band with a fundraiser. If you would like to purchase fruit or cheesecakes, please see Karen. She will collect payment at the time of the order. Go Dragons!

PRAYER REQUESTS



Kayla Mefford continues to recover from surgery. She is staying with her mother while she recuperates.

Jimmy Redden is in Methodist Medical Center Room 538.

Stanley Hash, Bunny Nash's brother, has developed new cancer and will be starting radiation treatment in Texas.

Jimmy Ashworth got great test results last week.

Karen Hamby had cataract surgery last week.

Drew Battistelli will have surgery on November 17.

Cody Sharp fell while skateboarding and suffered a broken foot.

Lee Carden, Diane Carden's husband, is in very poor health. He suffered a fall last week.

Bennett Smith is recovering from croup.

Continue to remember: Chloe Bass, Mason Battistelli, Theresa Bean, 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, Amanda Harness' mother, Howard Herren, Beulah Jackson, Garry Jones, Lee LaMay, Linda Laughter, Connor Livingston, Dawn Love, 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, Kenneth Schultz, Carolyn Scruggs, Adam & Becca Seiber, Helen Shepherd, Ken Smith, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Rosemary Summers, Alex Thomas, Denzil Thompson, Elmira Trentham, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Franklin Wharton, & Steve Yearwood in your prayers.

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

SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to **Bunny Nash** in the passing of her sister-in-law, **Marie Neal**, in Dyersburg, TN.

Our sympathy goes out to **Daniel McInturff** in the passing of his aunt, **Frances Smith**.

AREA EVENTS

Rockwood church of Christ Ladies Day with Rebecca Shanahan, Nov. 14.

Great Smoky Mountains church of Christ Area-Wide Prayer Breakfast, Nov. 14.

Seymour church of Christ Grief Workshop with Tom Miller, Nov. 14-15.

Knoxville Area Kids 4 Christ Bible Bowl, April 16, 2016. The topic is Genesis and is for kids in Grades 2 – 5. If your child would be interested in participating, please see Joey Smith.

Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for detailed information on these area events.