

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	59
Worship	102
Contribution	2268

Sunday PM

Worship	58
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Wednesday

Bible Study	56
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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*)



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Serving the Congregation December 13, 2015

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
Song Leaders:	Rick Caudle	Dale Mowery
Opening Prayer:	Dwight Nicholson	Jim Ashworth
Lord's Table:	Dale Mowery, Greg Jernigan, Earl Broadway, Jacob Mowery	
Closing Prayer:	James McCrary	Hubert Sharp
PM Table:	Stump Smith	
Announcements:	Herman Herren	
Usher:	Stump Smith	

Wednesday evening: December 16, 2015

Song Leader:	Joey Smith
Invitation:	Richard Bentley
Announcements:	Dale Mowery

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A friendly church with a saving message

If You're Not Sure of Your Part

Alan Smith

I heard about a junior high music teacher who had just organized a band in her school. The principal was so proud of the music teacher's efforts that without consulting her he decided that the band should give a concert for the entire school. The music teacher wasn't so sure her young musicians were ready to give a concert, so she tried to talk the principal out of holding the concert, to no avail.

Just before the concert was ready to begin, as the music teacher stood on the podium, she leaned forward and whispered to her nervous musicians, "If you're not sure of your part, just pretend to play."

And with that, she stepped back, lifted her baton and with a great flourish brought it down. Lo and behold, nothing happened! The band brought forth a resounding silence.

I can't help but wonder if we have the same problem in the church at times. Christians may have the idea that since they're unsure of the part that they are to play, they'll just sit and pretend. The problem is, when everyone is unsure of what part they're supposed to play, the result is silence -- nothing gets done.

What is the solution? The solution is helping each and every member of the body of Christ to learn their part. In I Corinthians 12 and Romans 12, Paul pictures the church as a body with all of the different parts of that body having different functions.

"Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them..." (Romans 12:6).

I can't do everything, and I certainly can't do everything well. But that's OK. The saxophonist in an orchestra isn't expected to know how to play the drums. His talent is playing the saxophone. His job is simply to make use of his talent and do the very best that he can.

Learn what your gift is, and then use it to the glory of God. Paul offers a list of possibilities. Maybe your gift is speaking, or serving, or encouraging, or giving, or leading, or showing mercy (Romans 12:6-8). Perhaps your gift is in that list, perhaps it's something else altogether.

But, if you're not sure of your part, please don't sit and pretend to play. Find out what your gift is and then make use of it to the glory of God!

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Dec 23 Song & Prayer Service
Dec 31 Game Night

SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Alyne Matthews and Annette Smith in the passing of **Joyce McCulley**, Alyne's niece and Annette's cousin. Her funeral was Friday in Livingston.

We express our sympathy to Sherry Bushey in the passing of her friend **Salma Fayad** in New York last week. She was 57 years old.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ian and Kayla Mowery on the birth of their daughter, **Berkley Renee**. She arrived on Dec. 7 and was 7lbs 1oz and 19 inches long.

DIRECTORY UPDATES

Please check your information at the rear of the auditorium for our next directory. We hope to print them soon!

GAME NIGHT

To celebrate the coming new year, we will enjoy a period of fellowship on New Year's Eve. Please bring your favorite games to play and food to share. We will ring in 2016 with our church family.

BULLETIN BOARDS

If you would be willing to create a bulletin board in the foyer in 2016, please sign up on the list in the foyer.



CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC 2016 is the weekend of Feb. 26-28. We are registered and ready to go! The cost to attend will be around \$55. Once again this year, the cost of our lodging has been offset by a loving and generous anonymous donor – thank you, once again! Please turn in your money to Joey some time before the end of January.

PLANNING MEETING

All youth, parents, and families are invited to join in planning our 2016 calendar for the Clinton Youth Group. We hope to have a survey for you to fill out, and we will gather one Sunday afternoon in January or February to finalize our calendar. Please be sure to share your thoughts, ideas, and concerns with Joey before and during the meeting!



*Please share your child's accomplishments in the bulletin!
Email them to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Andrew Verble is in need of our prayers.

Jimmy Redden is now at Golden Living in Clinton.

John Bushey was scheduled for an MRI last week.

Cindy Jones has been ill this past week.

Kristin McNeil, a friend of Buck Herren, was in an auto accident in Hickory, North Carolina last week. Her car was totaled but she is doing well.

Cheryl Taylor, Amanda Brown's mother, had an MRI last week showing the spot on her brain has grown. She also has 4 ruptured discs in her neck and back.

Sherry Bushey is battling hypertension and asks for prayers that it will return to normal.

Harrison Waldron, Ruth Ashworth's nephew, has been making improvements. He is able to communicate with his family by typing on an iPad.

Kathy Schankowitz, the sister of a friend of Ben Smith, is undergoing cancer treatment.

Drew Battistelli continues to have some pain in his arm following his surgery.

Jeremiah Patton and **Joseph Patton** have been sick this week.

Continue to remember: Chloe Bass, Drew Battistelli, Mason Battistelli, Theresa Bean, Donna Benjamin, Ella Mae Burchfield, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Tammy Burt, Charles Butler, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, Melissa Caylor, Lakhilata Chakma, Greg Cline, Don Cox, John Crawhorn, Mary Jo Dailey, Fred Davis, Fran Denton, Ruby Durst, Jean Dye, Nasha Foster, Gail Foust, Helen Gilbreath, Mary Gilley, Riley Hackworth, Sue Hale, Amanda Harness' mother, Stanley Hash, 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, Kayla Mowery, Ann Nygard, Joel Peters, Anna Phillips, Bobbie Sue Phillips, Ron & Susan Reagan, Jimmy Redden, Kenneth Schultz, Carolyn Scruggs, Adam & Becca Seiber, Leah Seiber, Helen Shepherd, Ken Smith, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Rosemary Summers, Alex Thomas, Denzil Thompson, Elmira Trentham, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Thomas Wales, Franklin Wharton, & Steve Yearwood in your prayers.

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

LOCAL FAMILY IN NEED

We are coordinating help as best we can for a local family that lost almost all of their personal belongings. This family is in need of furniture to furnish their new living arrangements – particularly twin or bunk beds and dressers. If you have any of these items that you can donate, please bring them to the building. If you would like more information on clothing and Christmas gifts for the children (ages 11, 9, 7, 5, and 18 months), please see the list on the bulletin board in the foyer. Many thanks to those of you who have already dropped off items. We have had many items of furniture already donated and delivered!

CAR NEED

Jonathan Bentley will be going to Harding University in January and is in need of a car. If you have one or know of one for sale, please let Jonathan know.