

Clinton Church of Christ

500 N. Main Street
P.O. Box 298
Clinton, TN 37717
(865) 457-0803

www.clintonchurch.com
churchofchristclinton@gmail.com

Elders:

Herman Herren	494-7330
Dale Mowery	927-5001
Dwight Nicholson	494-9425
Mike Smith	457-7877

Deacons:

Jim Ashworth	405-2757
Bob Hamby	457-7982
Hobert Humphrey	661-5088
James McCrary	740-3066
Daniel McInturff	931-409-2781
Glen Morgan	274-3990
Eric Mowery	748-7129
Tim Nygard	482-4103
Hubert Sharp	494-8537
Joey Smith	773-8259

Preacher:

Richard Bentley	264-0560
-----------------	----------

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	58
Worship	94
Contribution	\$2598

Sunday PM

Worship	43
---------	----

Wednesday

Bible Study	47
-------------	----



*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
-------------	---------

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 – Italy

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation Sept 30, 2018

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Joey Smith	Singing
Opening Prayer:	Dwight Nicholson	Tim Nygard
Lord's Table:	Rick Caudle, Daniel McInturff, Greg Jernigan, Earl Broadway	
Closing Prayer:	Glen Morgan	Eric Mowery
PM Table:	Jim Ashworth	
Announcements:	Jim Ashworth	
Usher:	Hubert Sharp	

Wednesday evening: Oct 3, 2018

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

Vol. 12 September 30, 2018 Number 39

Clinton Chronicle

Are You a Church Member or a Church Customer?

Stan Mitchell

So many people treat the precious, blood-bought church like a cheap discount store. "The church's job is to serve me, and if it doesn't, well, we're out of here." How often have I heard someone say, "That congregation did nothing for me."

This attitude is the absolute opposite of the Lord's will. He calls on us to serve, not be served: "I shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the son of man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Matthew 26:26-28).

"You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I, then, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet" (John 13:13,14).

The very ethos of Christianity is not to be served, but to serve. If one were to declare that it was the responsibility of others to serve him, note well, he did not miss the main point of serving God, he missed serving God entirely!

To be Christian is to serve; not to serve is to fail to be Christian. There is no third choice! Are you an integral part of a congregation of God's people? I am not asking necessarily if you are delivering sermons or leading songs, but I am asking, do you make a difference in your congregation, consistently regularly, definitely?

Churches do not make a difference in their community by accident. Churches do not help the poor and hurting by accident; Churches do not raise faithful children by accident.

Someone, somewhere, must serve! We serve the weak, the sinner, the little child, the poor, the missionary, the elderly; we serve, or we're not living the life for which Christ called us!

The church is the vehicle through which we serve the world. When we serve as members of a church, Christ gets the credit, not us; when we serve as members of the church, the Lord is given the glory, not us (Matthew 5:16).

So I ask it again, beloved: **Are you a church member, or a church customer?**

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Sept 30	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Oct 7	Ladies Bible Class begins
Oct 20	Work Day
Oct 21	75th Anniv. Homecoming
Oct 27	Trunk-or-Treat
Nov 10	Coat Giveaway
Nov 21	Thanks-Singing

SONG SERVICE + FINGERFOODS

Tonight is our monthly song service and finger food fellowship...a wonderful time to spend with your church family and some extra time singing praises to the good Lord!

HOMECOMING PREPARATION

Our 75th Anniversary Homecoming, Friends & Family Day, and Lunch is Oct. 21. In an effort to reach out to as many former members as possible, we are asking everyone to help us collect mailing addresses. If you are in contact with any of our Clinton family, please see Joey Smith.

WORK DAY

In preparation for our Homecoming, we will have a work day on Saturday, Oct. 20 to tidy up the building and grounds. Please be here if you can.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Have life's challenges ever caused you to wonder "Why?" or to ask God "How long must I wait?" If so, please make plans to attend Ladies Bible Class beginning Oct. 7, in the fellowship hall. If you'd like a copy of *Those Who Wait* by Rosemary McKnight, a sign-up sheet is in the foyer. We hope you will join us and **bring a friend!**

THANK YOU

A big "thank you" to Resa Byrd for hosting Ladies Night Out last week. And thanks to all the ladies who attended. It was a great night!

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Carolyn Vankirk**, who passed away last week. She has been on our prayer list and was a friend of both Resa Byrd and Annette Smith.

COAT GIVEAWAY

With cold weather approaching, we would like to start collecting coats for a Coat Giveaway to be held on Saturday, Nov. 10. Please note this is NOT a clothing giveaway - just coats. We will collect gently used or new coats, or you may want to contribute money to purchase coats. Please see Matt Huffman with any questions.

SHANAHAN MISSION

Scott Shanahan sends an update via email asking us to pray about several things involving their mission work. They have found a sponsoring congregation to oversee the new work in Italy, the Margaret Street Church of Christ in Milton, Florida. They may also have found a family to take on the work in Ireland. We also need to pray for Violet, as she is experiencing some separation anxiety due to traveling and a lack of established routine.

AREA EVENTS

GOSPEL MEETING

LaFollette Church of Christ: Sept 30-Oct 4

LADIES DAY

Lenoir City Church of Christ: Oct 6

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVO

Eastside Church of Christ, Maryville: Oct 14

M2Y CONFERENCE

Pigeon Forge: Nov 1-4

EAST TENNESSEE SINGING

The Venue of Lenoir City: Nov 10

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pam Davis has been diagnosed with skin cancer. She will need surgery.

Bob Hamby is back at home recovering and can have visitors. Please just call before you come.

James Whitefield, father of Pat Humphrey, is in the hospital in Cookeville. He had surgery to remove part of his prostate. He is in very serious condition and is now on dialysis.

Mary Gilley is in Methodist Medical Center Room 347.

Larry Glenn, Darryl Glenn's brother, is in the hospital in Oak Ridge.

Jackie Patton has been sick for several days without much improvement. She tested negative for flu, strep, and mono, but is being treated for strep.

Brenda Jennings has been diagnosed with COPD.

Tim Melton will have a procedure to help clear out congestion in his ears.

Georgia Herren is doing much better but still needs our prayers.

Audrey Egerton, great-niece of Gail Sharp, will have a heart cath on Oct. 24. This will determine whether they schedule her for surgery or wait longer.

Elaine Stevenson is in very poor health and is in need of our prayers.

Lynn Vanderveer, who used to attend here several years ago, is in need of our prayers as she considers her future. She lost her husband, Leon, to cancer recently. They had relocated to Jefferson City where she is currently living.

Violet Shanahan is in need of our prayers as she adjusts to a new schedule and surroundings. She has traveled great distances across the globe for such a young lady!

Laura Bentley has been in pain due to a lipoma on her arm.

Spencer Herren had kidney stone surgery last week.

Garry Jones is in need of our prayers as he works through difficulties with the Indian government.

Continue to remember: Audrey Lynn Egerton, Kim Fulton, Betty Holt, Sheree Hoskins, Dicey Humphrey, Brenda Jennings, Polly Keck, Connor Livingston, Morgan McGlacken, Elaine Stevenson, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Jack Zorn

Cancer Treatment: Christie Cinnamon, Sawyer Cole, Gail Foust, Bob Hamby, Scott James, Mike Koehler, Lois Layne, Belle McCoy, Greg McGuinness, Janice Plagge, Rhonda Perkins, David Pippen, Matt Scudder, Gail Sharp, Joshua Stokes, Tiffany Vann, Vernie Vignolo, Doris Walker, Gail Wilkinson

Shut-In: At home – Mary Gilley, Ken Smith, Elmira Trentham; Morning Pointe – Jo Rutherford; Summit View – Ann Nygard; Beverly Park Place Knoxville - Jean Dye

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

MINISTERING TO YOUTH CONFERENCE

The M2Y Conference is Nov. 1-4 in Pigeon Forge. Biblically Equipping those Who Serve Youth. This conference offers insightful, relevant tools and sessions for those who work with youth: ministers, teachers, elders, deacons, Bible camp leaders, parents, and grandparents. Check out the schedule at www.m2yconference.com. If you are interested, please let Herb Byrd know. Costs can be reduced by attending as a group.