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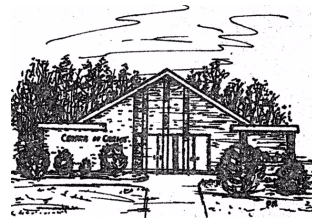
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 PM

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: Rainbow Village
for Girls, Jacob's Village for Boys

Scott Shanahan – Italy

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation Mar 22, 2020

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	—	—
Opening Prayer:	—	—
Lord's Table:	—	—
Closing Prayer:	—	—
PM Table:	—	—
Announcements:	—	—
Usher:	—	—

Wednesday evening: Mar 25, 2020

Song Leader: —
Invitation: —
Announcements: —

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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	47
Worship	81
Contribution	\$2839

Sunday PM

Worship	42
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Wednesday

Bible Study	—
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Clinton Chronicle

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Your elders have never led a church through a pandemic before.

When they open the church, some are going to say that they should have closed.

When they close it, some people are going to say they should have stayed opened.

When they shake hands, some people are going to say they have faith, and some people are going to say they are foolish.

Your elders are going to make some difficult decisions to protect the flock. Considering everything from your spiritual growth to legal liabilities that you aren't even thinking about.

Remember this: No one wants things to go well at church as much as your elders. Your elders need your prayers and support right now. And although you can't touch them right now, give them an air hug! - Author Unknown

Another brother wrote this –

I trust God *and* I wear my seatbelt.

I trust God *and* I take my prescribed medicines.

I trust God *and* I wear protective gear in the presence of infected persons.

I trust God *and* I practice social distancing to share the task of flattening the curve.

Trusting God and wisdom (prudence) are not mutually exclusive.

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When Martin Luther was dealing with The Black Death plague, he wrote these wise words that should give us some perspective as we think about what it means to be a Christian in the face of this pandemic or any other earthly challenge. He wrote,

"I shall ask God mercifully to protect us. Then I shall fumigate, help purify the air, administer medicine and take it. I shall avoid places and persons where my presence is not needed in order not to become contaminated and thus perchance inflict and pollute others and so cause their death as a result of my negligence. If God should wish to take me, he will surely find me and I have done what he has expected of me and so I am not responsible for either my own death or the death of others. If my neighbor needs me however, I shall not avoid place or person but will go freely as stated above. See this is such a God-fearing faith because it is neither brash nor foolhardy and does not tempt God."

Our temporary suspending of corporate worship by the elders is not about fear. The decisions as leaders in the church were based solely on love—for God and His children. It is motivated by a desperate love for others. A lack of fear and love are not incompatible concepts. Hear the words of 2 Timothy 1:7, "For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control." Power and love actually walk hand in hand in all their decisions. It's love, not fear!

Until this Pandemic is over, please continue to worship at home, and be constant in prayer – RWB.

CLINTON CALENDAR

Apr 11 Egg Hunt ?
May 2 Camp Cleanup Day ?
Jun 9-11 TCC Day Camp ?

SUPPLIES & DROP-OFF/PICKUP

During this period of social distancing, we hope to have someone at the church building on Saturdays 3:00-4:30. If you are in need of supplies for the Lord's Supper or would like to drop off your weekly contribution, you may do that then. The supplies will be available on a table outside and a dropbox for contributions will be there as well. You may just drive up to the covered area at the back, drop off, and "grab and go!"

KIDS BIBLE CLASS

We plan to have a kids' Bible class broadcast on Facebook Live on Sunday and Wednesday for the duration of the pandemic restrictions. Check out the church's Facebook page for more info.

ONLINE RESOURCES

During this time of worshipping at home, there are lots of online resources for Bible study, live streaming of worship services, etc. Here are just a few that you may check out:

Facebook Pages:

[New York Ave Church of Christ](#) - sermon videos

[Clinton Church of Christ](#) - kids' Bible class videos

Live Streaming & Sermons:

www.karnschurch.org

www.crievehall.org

www.polishingthepulpit

www.searchtv.org

www.wacoc.org

www.gbntv.org

www.mtjuliet.org/bibleclass

THE ELDERS CORNER

The elders are committed to the spiritual well-being of the Clinton congregation, but we are looking out for your physical wellness also.

Due to the National Emergency because of the coronavirus and also in response to the request of the government to limit meetings to 10 people, the elders have decided to **cancel all services of the church here at Clinton for a brief time**. Read Romans 13. The government has not forbidden us to worship and we can still worship in our homes which the elders encourage everyone to do. Grape juice is readily available at the grocery store and we will post a recipe for communion bread.

Please remember what God has commanded us to do in our worship to Him, pray, sing, study the word, partake of the Lord's supper and to give. We are all able to do this at home. There are multiple congregations that have streaming and have sermons that can be heard. We will post some of those web sites where you can listen to God's word.

Continue to pray for this country as we go through a temporary disruption. Use your phone to keep in touch with one another and follow the guidelines for health to keep safe.

-The elders

AREA EVENTS

Many area events have been canceled. Those we have verified have been deleted from this list; we have not had updates on the following:

GOSPEL MEETING

LaFollette Church of Christ: Apr 5-8

LADIES DAY

East Main Church of Christ-Murfreesboro: Apr 18

SOUTHEAST BIBLE LECTURESHIP

Karns Church of Christ: Apr 19-22

PRAYER REQUESTS

Brentley Williams has walking pneumonia.

Lesley Mowery continues to recover from epiretinal membrane and cataract surgery.

Ouita Northcutt is doing well and recovering now at the home of her son.

Wilma Smith, Melea Nash Smith's mother-in-law, fell and broke her shoulder.

Laura Bentley will have knee surgery at the end of March.

Audrey Egerton, 2 1/2 year old niece of Gail Sharp, is recovering from a broken femur.

Meghann Nicholson had ACL surgery scheduled last week that has been postponed.

Cody Sharp is in need of our prayers and encouragement.

Donnie & Nancy Mitchell continue to need our prayers for good health.

Samuel Cox, son of Chris and Hannah Pigman Cox, is now at home.

Linda Roberson, a friend of Stump and Annette Smith, is in need of our prayers.

Bradley & Ashley Wright, Daniel McInturff's sister-in-law's brother & family, lost their home in the Cookeville tornado.

Tabitha Newnan, friend of Doug Bushey, is in need of our prayers in the passing of a friend.

Harper Mynatt, 2 year old from Cookeville injured in the recent tornado, continues to recover at Children's Hospital in Knoxville.

Please continue to remember those affected by the **tornados & coronavirus**.

Continue to remember: John Adkins, Elijah Alley, Stephanie Baird, Elbert Boyd, Dudley Brewer, Harriette Brown, Lisa Carr, Taylor Castillejo, Mike Chester, Kayce Crews, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Randall Farley, Dakota Fuller, Eddie Godsey, Steve Griffith, Lynn Hawkins, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, Mike Henderson, Tucker King, Connor Livingston, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Craig McWilliams, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Bridget Moses, Britni Pflieger, Keith Rider, Frank Smith, Jacob Short, Arica Smith, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Jack Zorn

Cancer Treatment: Curtis Barnes, Linda Bell, Sid Booth, Sawyer Cole, Travis Creasey, Jerry Cross, Gail Foust, Rena Gayne, Scott James, Mike Koehler, Belle McCoy, Greg McGuinness, Sandra McKamey, Jonas Moore, Janice Plagge, David Phippen, Jack Price, Vernie Vignolo, Doris Walker, Gail Wilkinson, Buddy Wilson, Sherrye Woodall

Shut-In: At home – Elmira Trentham; *The Waters of Clinton* - Dicey Humphrey

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

TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Warmer weather is on the horizon, which means spring...and then summer....are on their way! The six weeks of TCC will turn into seven this year! A new week, a three day Day Camp for children ages 5 to 8, will be June 9-11. If you are interested in this new week or any of the other six weeks of camp, please see any of our members who are on the camp boards.

EGG HUNT

All youth and families are encouraged to mark your calendars for our spring Egg Hunt to be hosted at the home of Russell and Lauren McElroy on Saturday, Apr 11 at 11:30. You may park at the church building and walk up the sidewalk to Washington Ave.