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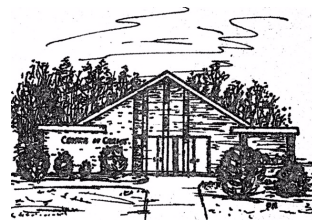
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

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 Jan 24, 2021

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Ben Smith	—
Opening Prayer:	Herman Herren	—
Lord's Table:	Dale Mowery	—
Closing Prayer:	Glen Morgan	—
PM Table:	—	—
Announcements:	Stump Smith	—
Usher:	Hubert Sharp	—

Wednesday evening: Jan 27, 2021

Song Leader: —
Invitation: —
Announcements: —

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	—
Worship	51
Live Stream Views	164
Contribution	\$3436

Sunday PM

Worship	—
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Wednesday

Live Stream Views	54
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The Signs of Matthew 24

Raymond Sieg

In **Matthew 24:1-35**, Jesus talked about a number of disturbing signs that would occur in the future. For example, He said that His followers would “hear of wars and rumors of wars” (vs.6). He also mentioned conflicts between nations and kingdoms, as well as “famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places” (vs.7). **Although these signs are often applied to the Lord's return, Jesus related them to the occasion when the Jewish temple in Jerusalem would be destroyed.**

Beginning at **Matthew 24:36** and continuing through chapter 25, Jesus did talk about His return. As He discussed His return, He had this to say: “But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only” (**Matthew 24:36**). **Did you hear what the Lord said? He declared that no man or angel knows the time of His return. Only the Father knows.**

Because no one knows when Jesus will return, we must listen to the instructions that He gave. “Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come” (**Matthew 24:42**). “Therefore, be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh” (**Matthew 24:44**). “Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh” (**Matthew 25:13**).

It is imperative that we follow these instructions, because when Jesus returns, “the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up” (**2 Peter 3:10**).

There will be no signs leading up to the Lord's return. Two inspired apostles, Paul and Peter, stated that the day of the Lord will arrive “as a thief in the night” (**1 Thessalonians 5:2; 2 Peter 3:10**). In other words, the Lord's return will be sudden and unexpected. So, when you hear of natural disasters such as hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding, forest fires, and volcanoes erupting, and when you hear of conflicts throughout the world, do not be alarmed. Such things do not mean that Christ is about to return.

The Lord wants us to get ready for His return by obeying the Gospel. He wants us to stay ready for His return by remaining faithful to Him. By being prepared we can actually look forward to the Lord's return, and we can join the apostle John in saying, “Even so, come, Lord Jesus” (**Revelation 22:20**). **Are you ready?**

CLINTON CALENDAR

Jan 25	Zoom Ladies Bible Class
Jan 27	Online Bible Story Time
Feb 7	Zoom Ladies Bible Class
Feb 7-11	FHU Lectures Online
Feb 23	Zoom Ladies Bible Class
Feb 26-28	CYC

COMMUNION PREPARATION

We have a signup list in the foyer for 2021 communion preparation - which will be a bit different! Preparation will entail bagging and refilling the four trays in the foyer each week.

ONLINE LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Mark your calendars for upcoming Ladies' Zoom Bible classes. If you are interested in teaching one of our classes, please see Susan Smith.

- Monday, Jan 25 at 7:00pm - Hannah Cox
- Sunday, Feb 7 at 7:00pm - Brenda Patterson
- Tuesday, Feb 23 at 7:00pm - Laura Bentley

ADDITIONAL SEATING

We have additional seating available in the fellowship hall both for overflow and for those who might feel more comfortable with a little extra space and distancing during the continued pandemic. Please feel free to utilize this space during worship services if you feel more comfortable doing so.

CYC 2021

Challenge Youth Conference tickets have been ordered! We will travel up on Saturday morning for the session and some free time in Pigeon Forge. The cost is \$30 per person and is due now.

Please silence your cell phones during Bible study and worship.

Thanks!

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Butch and family in the passing of **Elaine Stevenson** last week. There will be no public funeral service. Elaine's obituary may be viewed at holleygamble.com.

TAKE HOME ITEMS

There are several personal items on the tables in the Resource Room that need to be claimed and taken home (blankets, books, Bibles, etc). Please take a look and see if anything there belongs to you.

SONG SHEETS

We have the ability to print out songs on paper for any of the songs we may sing that aren't in our current songbook. If you would like to be given a printed song sheet prior to worship service, please let Joey Smith know.

2020 STATISTICS

Last year was certainly one unlike we have ever experienced before. Just 11 weeks into the new year, in-person worship and Bible study were interrupted by the coronavirus pandemic. In spite of unprecedented difficulties, the Clinton congregation stayed strong and committed to the Lord's work. Prior to pausing all in-person services, our Sunday morning attendance was averaging 84 and the weekly contribution was averaging \$3033. We ended the year with an average of 68 attending on Sunday morning and a weekly contribution of \$2883.

WEDNESDAY ONLINE BIBLE STORY

Kids, don't forget that Calvin is back for a new year of Bible Story Time on Wednesday nights! Videos are live on Facebook each Wednesday night at 6:00. All past videos are also there for your viewing in the video library!

FHU LECTURESHIP

The annual Freed-Hardeman University Lectures will be held virtually this year February 7-11. Thirteen videos will be posted at www.fhu.edu.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Laura Bentley** was admitted to the hospital with flu B, pneumonia, and COVID-19.
- **Michael Ford** has had cancer return. It is now in his lungs.
- **Richard Bentley** continues to be at home recovering from COVID-19.
- **Matt Huffman** is at home with pneumonia.
- **Drew, Lauren, David, & Georgia Battistelli** are at home with COVID-19.
- **Kathy**, mother-in-law of **Britni Pflieger**, Kevin and Cheri Lancaster's daughter, continues to need our prayers.
- **Patti**, Cheri Lancaster's sister, has COVID-19.
- **Ann and Clint Byars**, Garry Jones' sister and brother-in-law, are in the hospital in critical condition with COVID-19.
- **Bruce, April, David, & Caleb Holt** have all recovered from COVID. They thank everyone for their prayers.
- **Dudley Brewer**, Chuck and Yvonne Kilpatrick's brother-in-law, has started stem cell treatments at Vanderbilt.
- **Mark Aycok**, a friend of Gail Sharp, has Meniere's disease and has recently been diagnosed with chronic lymphocytic leukemia.
- **Jacob Lawhorn**, son of a coworker of Ben Smith, is battling depression and other issues.
- **Mark Bassett**, a minister of the Lord's church, reached out to us via telephone to request prayers on behalf of his own health and also for a young man, **Keith Rider**, who was baptized a few years ago and has now fallen away.

Continue to remember: John Adkins, Stephanie Baird, Elbert Boyd, Harriette Brown, Elijah, Burt, Lisa Carr, Mike Chester, Wade Colwell, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Dakota Fuller, Steve Griffith, Lynn Hawkins, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, Mike Henderson, Tucker King, Abbie Malone, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Bridget Moses, Ouita Northcutt, Britni Pflieger, Keith Rider, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, Jacob Short, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Jack Zorn

Cancer Treatment: Curtis Barnes, Linda Bell, Judy Bentley, Sid Booth, Dudley Brewer, Bill Campbell, Sawyer Cole, Jerry Cross, Don Dilbeck, Nolan Fagan, Michael Ford, Gail Foust, Rena Gayne, Erik Geibig, Steve Higginbotham, Scott James, Mike Koehler, Belle McCoy, Greg McGuinness, Sandra McKamey, Gladys Moore, Linda Moore, Jonas Moore, David Pippen, Jack Price, Terrie Rogers, Wayne Simon, Melea Smith, Vernie Vignolo, Doris Walker, Gail Wilkinson, Buddy Wilson

Shut-In: *At home* – Elmira Trentham; *Norris Health & Rehab* - Polly Keck; *The Waters of Clinton* - Dicey Humphrey

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

CLINTON CHURCH LIVE STREAM

Our Sunday morning worship services may be viewed live online for those unable to join us here at the building. You DO NOT have to have a Facebook count to view. Follow this link:

www.facebook.com/churchofchristclinton/live/