

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

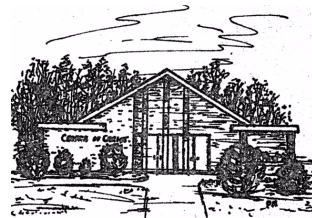
Bible Study	57
Worship	92
Contribution	\$4790

### Sunday PM

Worship	38
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	49
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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
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## 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**

**Andrew Young - SEIBS**

Please follow us on



## Serving the Congregation Feb 27, 2022

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Kevin Lancaster	Singing
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	WT Crider	Dale Mowery
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Herman Herren	Daniel McInturff

<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Earl Broadway	Jody Yarber
<b>Announcements:</b>	Stump Smith	
<b>Usher:</b>	Tim Nygard	

**Wednesday evening: Mar 2, 2022**

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Ben Smith
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Stump Smith

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# Clinton Chronicle

## The Hard Way OR The Easy Way?

By Brian Mitchell

Life is full of choices to make and many of them are difficult. There are things that everyone must choose to do or not do (Joshua 24:15), places to go or not go (Genesis 13:8-12), people to acquaint yourself with (Romans 16:1-15) or avoid (Romans 16:17; 2 John 1:10-11). One of the most important choices a man must make is mentioned by our Lord in Mt.7:13-14. It is a choice which involves two gates, two roads and two destinations. It is a choice that involves taking the hard way or the easy way. Generally speaking, taking the easy way is not always a bad thing, but here we see that it is.

Picture yourself at the intersection of two roads, one well-paved, easy to navigate, relatively straight with few hills to climb; and several lanes for smooth driving. The other, a two-lane road with potholes, no shoulders, and very hilly; so that your ability to see at a distance is limited. Which would you choose? Most individuals are going to take the first road because it is just the easier of the two paths. Why would one willingly go down the second road with all of its difficulties and pitfalls?

The same two choices are faced in the spiritual roadway of life. As human beings we generally seek after the path of least resistance. In the spiritual sense, it is easy to do the things of this world and go down that "easy road". One will meet little or no resistance if he or she goes along with what everyone else is doing. The cruise control can be set, the seat leaned back, the air conditioner cranked up, with the stereo set on your favorite radio station. There is no such thing as "peer pressure" on this road, because whatever activities society dictates, the one who takes this road will likely engage in them as well (1 Corinthians 3:3-4).

The other choice, however, is not as easy. It is the hard way!!! It is the "way of righteousness" and following the teaching of God's word in all things (Proverbs 12:28; Psalm 1:1-2). It is thus "the road less traveled" because one must be willing to make self-sacrifices to travel it. For the most part, people do not wish to be different from the rest of the world. It's a difficult thing to "go against the grain" and be one of those "peculiar" people who try to live a life pleasing to God (1 Peter 2:9). When one chooses to take the road less traveled, often times people of the world think them to be strange because of the stand it requires (1 Peter 4:4).

Unfortunately, these two roads do have crossovers. There is always tremendous pressure on those who take the difficult road to leave it and cross over to the easier way. One can go from the easy road to the difficult road through obedience to God's will (Matthew 7:21) and trying to live a life faithful to Him (Revelation 2:10). Most, however, do not cross over to this way and yet sadly many cross over from the difficult road to the easy way. Perhaps the road less traveled gets too difficult for them, or like Demas they "love this present world" (2 Timothy 4:10).

What we must do in the end is consider the end of the two roads. The less traveled road leads to the right destination – eternal life (Matthew 7:14), while the well-traveled road leads to a "dead end" – a destination of destruction (Matthew 7:13). Which road will you choose?

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Feb 27 Song Service/Fingerfoods  
Mar 2 Silver Saints  
Apr 16 Egg Hunt

To our members and visitors:  
**Welcome to Clinton!**  
*We are glad you're here!*

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### SONG SERVICE + FINGERFOODS

It's time! Tonight is our monthly song service and fingerfood fellowship night. It's a great time to spend in worship with your church family, so please, come back tonight and join in!

### RESPONSES

Sisters **Rachel Foy** and **Karen Yarber** have both responded to the invitation recently asking for prayers of encouragement and strength. Please keep both of these good sisters in your prayers and encourage them in any way you can.

### SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to the family of **Jack McAmis, Jr.**, former member at Clinton, who died suddenly last week. A graveside service will be held at 12:00 today at Oak Ridge Memorial Park.

We also extend our sympathy to Leah White Sherwood, a former Clinton member, in the passing of her grandmother, **Joyce White**. Her funeral services will be March 12 in McMinnville, TN.

### COMMUNION PREPARATION 2022

A few spots remain on the sign-up sheet for communion preparation for this year. If you are able to help out, please sign up.

### CYC REPORT

Our group had a wonderful and successful trip to Challenge Youth Conference this weekend. We had a group of 19 from Clinton join over 13,000 other Christians in a time of worship and fellowship.

We thank all of our chaperones and those who planned the trip. We also want to thank our elders for supporting this event for our young people.

### EGG HUNT

Our spring egg hunt for the kids will be at the home of Russell and Lauren McElroy on Saturday, April 16 starting at 11:00am. Please park at the church building and walk up the sidewalk to Washington Avenue. All ages are invited to come for the fun!

### LIBRARY ADDITIONS

The following books for our young people (and anyone else interested in reading them!) have been added to the church library following a visit to the Apologetics Press display at CYC this weekend:

- *Truth Be Told: Exposing the Myths of Evolution*
  - *Dinosaurs: Unleashed*
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## AREA EVENTS

### OPEN HOUSE

Knoxville Christian School: Feb 28

### FOREVER HIS DAY CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: April 2

### SEIBS LECTURESHIP

Karns Church of Christ: April 24-27

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Micheal Olsen** will be returning to Vanderbilt soon for additional surgery.
- **Karen Yarber** had successful surgery and is recovering at home.
- **Elijah Burt** is now on the transplant list. He could get the call any time for surgery.
- **David Byrd**, Herb Byrd's brother, had successful surgery to patch the spinal leak.
- **Carolyn Colwell** is recovering from COVID.
- **Britni Pflieger**, Kevin and Cheri Lancaster's daughter, is scheduled for surgery on March 8. Medication has helped tremendously but will not alleviate the problem.
- **Sawyer Cole** is recovering well from colon surgery.
- **Novella Vignola**, Bunny Nash's sister, is in rehab after surgery for a broken femur.
- **Tim Northcutt**, Ouita Northcutt's son, will have surgery on March 15 to remove a tumor on the pituitary gland.
- **Dick Deising**, Laura Bentley's brother, will meet with a doctor in Atlanta on March 1 to discuss having surgery to remove a tumor in his lower back.
- **Sherry Bushey** is finished with chemo and hopes to have surgery scheduled soon.
- **Adam Dunning**, a friend of Herb and Resa Byrd, has a rare form of cancer of the nervous system. He has a wife and two small children. The necessary treatments will be rigorous.
- **Haley Bozeman** is in need of our prayers.
- **Jacqueline Mantooth**, Ouita Northcutt's granddaughter, has a baby due at the end of April. She is struggling with blood pressure issues.
- **Garry Jones** has safely reached the Mustard Seed Village. Please continue to pray for his safety and for the success of this trip.

**Continue to remember:** Dudley Brewer, Harriette Brown, Zach Bullock, Carol Burt, Elijah Burt, David Byrd, Resa Marie Byrd, Lisa Carr, Mike Chester, Ron Churchwell, Wade Colwell, Linda Foy, Madison Gadd, John Gayne, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, Jackson Igou, Kayla Jackson, Nicole Lancaster, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Ouita Northcutt, Michael Olsen, Britni Pflieger and family, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, E.T. Stamey, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron

**Cancer Treatment:** Bonnie Adkins, Taylor Adkins, Judy Bentley, Dudley Brewer, Sherry Bushey, Sawyer Cole, Jerry Cross, Dick Deising, Adam Dunning, Michael Ford, Steve Higginbotham, Jean Huges, Glen Morgan, Larry Phillips, David Phippen, Kevin Shanahan, Wayne Simon, Gail Wilkinson, Buddy Wilson

**Shut-In:** *Norris Health & Rehab* - Polly Keck; *The Waters of Clinton* - Dicey Humphrey

Updates to the Prayer List may be sent to [churchofchristclinton@gmail.com](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com) or given to Joey Smith.

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**Please silence your cell phones during worship and Bible study.**

**Thanks!**