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Sunday PM 67 Worship Wednesday Bible Study 44



WORSHIP TIMES

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

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

the Gospel (Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32-34, 1 Cor. 15:1-2) ve Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6)

ess faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 10:9-10: Matt. 10:32)



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Serving the Congregation Oct 2, 2022

Rick Caudle Chuck Kilpatrick Daniel McInturff Glen Moraan Song Leader: Joey Smith Invitation: **Richard Bentley** Announcements: Stump Smith

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By Joe Slater

"Are not five sparrows sold for two cents? And yet not one of them is forgotten before God" (Luke 12:6, NASB).

I'm not an avid bird watcher. I do enjoy seeing the Robins return in the spring along with the gorgeous red Cardinals. And we keep a hummingbird feeder in the back yard and laugh at the antics of the few who drink there as they dive bomb one another. But I don't even notice the sparrows. They're drab; they're dirty; they don't sing. I can't imagine they'd be any good to eat, though I suppose that's what Jesus had in mind when He mentioned people paying a pittance to purchase them.

I simply don't care about sparrows. But God does! They are a part of His creation (day five, Genesis 1:20). He notices if even one of them falls to the ground (Matthew 10:29). That being the case, Jesus assures us that God is also keenly aware of us. "Even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows" (Luke 12:7), animal rights extremists to the contrary notwithstanding.

I'm glad God cares for sparrows. I'm even more glad that He cares for me even though I'm not much to look at and there is plenty about me that is undesirable. Can vou relate?

I need to check my attitude toward other people, especially those whose behavior I find obnoxious. God cares about them even as he does about you and me. They need Jesus just like we do. Our Lord "is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). My job is not to despise them, but to lovinally share the gospel with them.

Can you relate?

To our members and visitors:

Welcome to Clinton! We are alad you're here!

CLINTON CALENDAR

Ladies Meeting
Ladies Conference
Fall Gathering
Song Service/Fingerfoods

LADIES MEETING

There will be a brief meeting following this morning's services for those going on the ladies retreat. Please meet in the fellowship hall.

MEMBER PHOTOS

If you still need your photo taken for our directory and the board at the rear of the auditorium, please see Joey Smith after services this morning or this evening.

LADIES RETREAT

The Transform Ladies Conference/Ladies Retreat weekend in Pigeon Forge is October 14-16. Please contact Hannah Cox with any questions. If you are able, please donate to the church to help offset the cost. The conference website is: www.tlcladies.org

VISITATION & OUTREACH

Remember that our weekly visitation and outreach sheets are available at the rear of the auditorium along with a large selection of greeting cards. See Arthur Pigman with any questions.

FALL GATHERING

Everyone is invited to come to the church building on Saturday, October 29 starting at 5:00 for a fun fall gathering. Our food "theme" for the evening will be chili and soup, so please bring something to share with everyone. Costumes are welcome and we will have an indoor trick-or-treating for the kids around the doorways of the auditorium.

The Ladder

By David A. Sargent

Usually Arizona is associated with dry, desert regions. But recent monsoon rains have caused flashfloods in the area creating some emergency situations.

Twenty-five people including three children and an infant were found stranded at what was normally a low water crossing in Bear Canyon outside Tucson. Authorities determined that a ladder rescue was the best option, so Ladder 7 of the Tucson Fire Department was called out. The ladder was lowered across the flooded creek and served as a bridge for crew members to escort the stranded people to safety. *

Our sins leave us stranded with no hope and in deadly peril (Romans 6:23). Our sins separate us from God (Isaiah 59:1-2) and we are lost unless someone comes to our rescue.

God loves us and doesn't want anyone to perish (2 Peter 3:9). So God sent His one and only Son to rescue us (John 3:16). In order to save us and to give us eternal life, Jesus had to give His life for our sins (1 Peter 2:24).

Jesus is the Bridge to bring us to God and to all of the spiritual blessings that He wants to give to us.

"For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God" (1 Peter 3:18 NIV).

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6).

To access the Bridge to God, we must place our faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from sin in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). Then as we continue to walk in the light of His Word, the blood that Jesus shed in His death continues to cleanse us from all sin (1 John 1:7-9).

The Son of God who descended from heaven became the Bridge to bring us to God. You can be saved and have eternal life in heaven if you will access the Bridae through your trusting obedience.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Rachel Broadway was scheduled to have a procedure on her back but was unable to have it due to illness.
- Chuck Kilpatrick is now home from the hospital.
- Yvonne Kilpatrick is recovering at home from COVID.
- Donna Truitt is sick with a respiratory infection.
- Carolyn Cox is recovering at home from COVID.
- Patty McKnight is having respiratory problems.
- David Byrd, Herb Byrd's brother, had successful surgery but continues to need our prayers.
- Lesley Mowery is feeling much better but is still experiencing pain.
- Paul Adkins has been sick but is feeling much better.
- Thelma Merrill is recovering from foot surgery.
- Millard Adkins is now home from the hospital.
- Arthur & Charlotte Pigman are now feeling much better.

Continue to remember: Dudley Brewer, Haley Bozeman, Harriette Brown, Zach Bullock, Carol Burt, Elijah Burt, Sherry Bushey. David Byrd, Resa Marie Byrd, Lisa Carr, Ron Churchwell, Susan Clifton, Wade Colwell, James Cooper, Madison Gadd, John Gayne, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, Jackson Igou, Holly Jackson, Brenda Jennings, Eddie Jennings, Nicole Lancaster, Tivis Lute, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Reba Medley, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Lesley Mowery, Ouita Northcutt, Tim Northcutt, Michael Olsen, Jimmy & Joann Patton, Britni Pflieger and family, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, E.T. Stamey, Ruby Thomas, Jerry Truitt, Andrew Verble

Cancer Treatment: Bonnie Adkins, Taylor Adkins, Lisa Bailey, Judy Bentley, Dudley Brewer, Tish Clarke, Sawyer Cole, Jerry Cross, Dick Deising, Adam Dunning, Mackenzie Earle, Michael Ford, Jean Huges, Pat Humphrey, Gene Hundley, Glen Morgan, Larry Phillips, David Pippen, Kevin Shanahan, Wayne Simon, Steve Simpson, Robert Sudderth, Gail Wilkinson, Anne Williams, Buddy Wilson, Donnie Woods, Mark Yarber

Shut-In: Morning Pointe - Kenneth Gossett; 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.

CLASS & WORSHIP LIVESTREAM

We continue to stream our Sunday morning worship services on our Facebook page. We also stream our Sunday morning adult Bible class, Sunday evening worship, and Wednesday evening class on the private group "Friends of Clinton Church of Christ." To view these classes when you're unable to be here in person, you must "join" this group.

Please silence your cell phones during worship & Bible class. Thanks!