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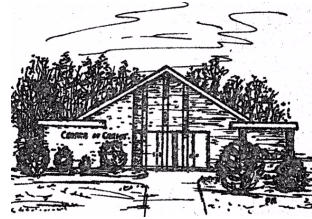
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Sunday PM

Worship 80

Wednesday

Bible Study 63



*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

Andrew Young - Australia

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation: Apr 9, 2023

| | AM | PM |
|------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Song Leaders: | Tim Melton | Joey Smith |
| Opening Prayer: | Dale Tanner | Joshua Moorey |
| Lord's Table: | Dale Mowery | Stump Smith |

Closing Prayer: Earl Broadway Jody Yarber

Announcements: Herman Herren

Usher: Dale Mowery

Wednesday evening: Apr 12, 2023

Song Leader: Billy Fields

Invitation: Richard Bentley

Announcements: Herman Herren

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Celebrating 80 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2023

“Love or Like?”

By Bill Brandstatter

The two words above are confusing to many people. I can love someone but not like certain practices. I can love someone because of the soul which God put in them; but, I may not like their life style or habits. God is a God of love; (1 John 4:18) but God doesn't like all of man's behaviors and practices.

He loved Adam and Eve. They were God's first human creations. God loved them so much that He gave them a paradise home. Because He loved them, He gave them some commandments to guide them in their paradise. They chose not to follow those commands. As a result, they were expelled from the Garden of Eden and death came on the human race. He didn't like what they did, but He loved them.

He loved people in Noah's day. People became more and more wicked. (Gen. 6:5) God was sorry He made man and was grieved in His heart. (Gen. 6:6) God still loved mankind, but was sorrowful about the behavior and lifestyle of those created after His image. So, God caused a great flood to come upon the earth. Everything was destroyed. The only survivors were Noah, his wife, his sons & their wives and the animals in the ark. God didn't do this because He hated man. He did it because He didn't like what they were doing, and they were creating problems for themselves.

He loves people today. He wants all men to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth. (1 Tim. 2:4) God is in the soul business. Man is in the flesh business. Man wants to justify self. God wants to save man from sin. So, when man reads the Bible, he thinks in different terms than God does. (Isa. 55:8, 9) Sometimes that which God condemns, man approves. That which man approves God often condemns. (Isa. 10:30)

What man loves, God does not always like or approve. (Isa. 5:20) Man loves pleasure and sinful activity. God loves man, but hates every evil way. God does not hate the person, but He often does hate their behavior. Jesus said the gate many would go through is broad and wide and the gate to heaven is narrow and difficult. (Matt. 7:13, 14) Man must make choices. If we know the word of God, we can better make the choices God wants us to make. He gave us the Bible because He loves us, yet He doesn't always like the things that we do. He demonstrates His love for us "in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8)

To our members and visitors:

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

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|------------|---------------------------|
| Apr 6-9 | Lads to Leaders |
| Apr 21 | Youth Campfire |
| Apr 22 | Sister Friends |
| Apr 30 | 80th Anniversary H-coming |
| July 16-19 | VBS |

80th ANNIVERSARY HOMECOMING

Our 80th Anniversary Homecoming Sunday is just three weeks from today! Here are a few reminders and points for us all:

*Our "guest" speaker for the day will be our own brother **Arthur Pigman**, who preached here at Clinton for 14 years.

*The day will be **church-eat-church**. We will have a fellowship lunch after morning worship with an early afternoon service to follow. There will not be a service at 6:00pm.

*Please bring **extra food and drinks** for all of the guests that we hope to have.

*Speaking of guests - now is the time to be making those **final phone calls** to our friends and former members to invite them to join us for the day. Let's see if we can have over 200 here Sunday morning!!!

RESPONSES

We rejoice with our brothers and sisters. There were three that responded to the Lord's invitation last Sunday asking for the prayers of their church family: **Cathy Glenn, Chuck Kilpatrick, & Dana Worthington**. Please keep all of these precious ones in your prayers and encourage them in any way you can.

YOUTH CAMPFIRE

All youth and families are invited to the home of the Fields in Oak Ridge on Friday, April 21 at 6:30pm for a campfire. Please see Billy or Becca with any questions.

SISTER FRIENDS

Please join the Sister Friends brunch here at the building on Saturday, April 22 at 10am, hosted by Sheila Herren, Crissy Thurman, and Rebecca Nash. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer or RSVP on the Sister Friends Facebook page so we can get an accurate count for preparing the food.

We need your participation for a fun activity! Please provide two pictures of yourself as described below to Sheila or Rebecca. Original pictures will be returned. You can also email them to Sheila or Rebecca at their addresses in the directory. Please be sure to give the pictures by no later than Sunday, April 16 to give time to prepare the game. Pictures should be: 1. One childhood picture (up to age 12) and 2. One teenage picture (13 to 18 yrs). If you have any questions, ask one of the hostesses.

AREA EVENTS

LADIES DAY

East Main Church of Christ: Apr 15

FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY

Highland View Church of Christ: Apr 16

LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION

Nashville: Apr 6-9

SEIBS LECTURESHIP

Karns Church of Christ: Apr 23-26

LADIES DAY

Scarboro Church of Christ: May 6

SOUTHEAST LEADERSHIP CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: Jun 4-11

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Rick Caudle** will have pacemaker implantation surgery on April 13.
- **Ken Gossett** fell and suffered a cut on his head.
- **Blu Knight** went to the ER last week.
- **Melea Nash Smith** is recovering from gall bladder surgery.
- **Garry Jones** is recovering from COVID.
- **Mark Yarber** remains in the hospital. He is now in a regular room.
- **Billy Humphrey** is much better after being sick for two weeks.
- **Red Lynch** is now home from the hospital.
- Please remember our group at **Lads to Leaders** this weekend in your prayers.

Last Week:

- **Fred Lawson**, Richard and Pat Powlus' son-in-law, was diagnosed with ALS.
- **Tonya Webber**, Sheila Herren's niece, is now home. She will have another stent put in next week.

This Week:

- To the family of **Richard Powlus**, former preacher here at Clinton, who passed away last week.

Shut-In:

- At home - **Derita Steele**
- Morning Pointe - **Kenneth Gossett**
- Norris Health & Rehab - **Polly Keck**
- The Waters of Clinton - **Dacey Humphrey**

Please send prayer requests and updates
to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com
or give to Joey Smith in writing.

CLINTON CHURCH T-SHIRTS

We have new Clinton church t-shirts available for \$10 each. Please see Joey Smith if you are interested in one.

T-SHIRTS FOR INDIA

Brother Garry Jones would like to raise money to purchase 200 of our Clinton church t-shirts for the children in India. The total needed to do this is \$1,700. If you would like to contribute towards this effort, please see Joey Smith.

BUSHEYS MOVING

John, Sherry, and Doug Bushey will be moving to New York within the next few weeks. If you can help in packing their moving truck on April 27, please see Clint Patterson.

We would like to put together a money tree for the Bushey family before their move. Please see Annette Smith to donate money towards the tree.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Our VBS will be this summer, July 16-19, 6:00pm on Sunday, 7:00pm on Monday-Wednesday!!!!