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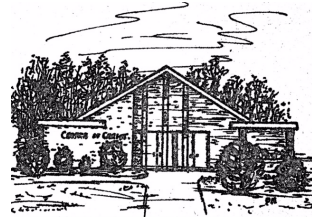
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

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

Andrew Young - Australia

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation: May 14, 2023

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Ben Smith	Clint Patterson
Opening Prayer:	Dale Tanner	Josh Moorey
Lord's Table:	Herb Byrd	Stump Smith

Closing Prayer:	Jacob Mowery	Jody Yarber
Announcements:	Herman Herren	
Usher:	Dale Mowery	

Wednesday evening: May 17, 2023

Song Leader: Joey Smith
Invitation: Richard Bentley
Announcements: Chris Cox

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

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Sunday PM

Worship 52

Wednesday

Bible Study 56

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Celebrating 80 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2023

Every Mother's Day is a First

By Adam Faughn

For some, today is their first Mother's Day as a mother. They just had their first child, so today is special in that way.

For some, today is their first Mother's Day as a grandmother. They are seeing their own daughter hold a precious child for her first Mother's Day.

For some, today is their first Mother's Day as a mother of two (or three or...). They are getting extra kisses and hugs (and a well-deserved extra cup of coffee).

For some, today is their first Mother's Day without their mother living. So, today will be bittersweet.

For some, today is their first Mother's Day with an estranged relationship with their mom or child. There might be a phone call, but it will not be easy.

For some, today is their first Mother's Day since losing a child. There will be memories and, likely, some tears.

For some, today is their first Mother's Day with a child a long distance away geographically. It might be the first one where they are not physically in the same place.

For some, today is their first Mother's Day with a child back in the same area; thus, the first they can spend together in a long time.

We could go on, but markers on our calendar, like Mother's Day, are reminders of how each year contains firsts. Some are happy. Some are hard. Others are simply reflections of the normal passage of time. Each, though, is part of the tapestry of life, and mothers are an invaluable part of that picture.

God thought that mothers were so important that He gave every human being ever born a mother. A true godly mother, though, is rare. Today, no matter what "first" you are going through, if you are striving to be a godly mother, we honor and thank you. Reflect on why this Mother's Day is a "first," and use it as an opportunity to be grateful for what is good and learn from what might be a struggle.

To every mother, we say "Happy Mother's Day," but to those who are striving to be godly and righteous, we say a heartfelt and gracious "thank you."

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

May 14	VBS Meeting
May 21	Morning Pointe singing
May 23	Sister Friends
May 28	Song Service/Fingerfoods
July 16-19	VBS

VBS MEETING

Our VBS is July 16-19. We will have a meeting today at 5:00pm for anyone interested in helping out. See Chris Cox with any questions on how you can be involved.

INDIA MISSION WORK

Brother Garry Jones is in need of volunteers willing to help pack 20 crates of supplies to be shipped to India. If you are interested and able to help, please see Garry about the date, time, and location.

TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Now is the time to start registering for all the weeks of camp you plan to attend. This year's schedule will once again begin with a week of Day Camp on June 6-8. Register online at www.teenagechristiancamp.org.

COLLECTION PROJECT

Sheila Herren is collecting plastic shopping bags and old t-shirts for an organization that weaves them into sleeping mats for the homeless and dog toys for local animal shelters. Please see Sheila if you have these items you'd like to donate.

SISTER FRIENDS

Our next Sister Friends gathering is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, here at the church building. More details to come. Please see Susan Smith with any questions.

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.

THE ELDERS CORNER

Change is a part of life. When we first have children we learn the importance of establishing a routine. Children thrive in a routine. When anything changes they are quick to let us know they don't like it. The same is often true for adults. We don't like change either. During our lifetime we will experience many changes, new jobs, relationships, moves to name a few. When changes enter our lives it can be overwhelming. But as things continue to change about us we can know there is one thing that never changes. There is one thing that stays the same: our unchanging God.

Malachi 3:6 For I the Lord I change not....

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday and today and forever.

God's word never changes. Matthew 24:35 Heaven and earth will pass away but my word will not pass away.

Things will continue to change around us. Some changes are like ripples and others feel like a ten foot wave, but we know that we have an anchor, an unchanging God.

-Dale

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We will honor our students and graduates at our fingerfood fellowship on May 28. Please send Joey Smith your student's (ALL ages) news and accomplishments for the school year to be printed in a special bulletin insert.

SEIBS GRADUATION

Andrew Young's graduation from the Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies will be Saturday, May 27 at 4:00pm at Karns Church of Christ. There is a banquet to follow at 5:00pm. The cost is \$16 per person. If you wish to attend the banquet, it must be confirmed today, May 12, by calling (865) 691-7444.

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Barbara Tanner** was hospitalized with potential heart issues. Doctors determined it was very high blood pressure.
- **Ouita Northcutt** fell at home but was able to be with us Wednesday night.
- **Kenneth Warren**, Stephanie Lewis' brother, continues to experience seizures with no known cause.
- **Pat Humphrey** has been suffering with neuropathy in her feet due to her chemo treatment.
- **Josephine Whitefield**, Pat Humphrey's mother, fell and broke several bones around her eye. She will not need surgery for that but will be having outpatient surgery May 23 to remove pre-cancerous cells from her arm.
- **Jeanette Burden**, a member at the LaFollette congregation, fell and broke her arm.
- **Teri Blesi**, Janella Melton's daughter, is very sick and unable to travel.
- **Kevin Shanahan**, Scott Shanahan's father, is very ill and near the end of life. Scott, Rebecca, and Violet are making an emergency trip back to the states to spend time with him.

Last Week:

- **Meadow Muse**, granddaughter of Chris Goodman, a member at the Lake City Church of Christ, had surgery for neuroblastoma. The tumor was cancerous; a treatment plan is forthcoming.
- **Vernie Kilpatrick**, the grandmother of Chris Goodman's wife, suffered a stroke.
- **Mark Yarber** is now home.
- **Wade Colwell** is experiencing heart issues.
- **Karen Yarber** is having stomach problems.
- **Jody Yarber** is recovering from a bacterial infection.
- **Bruce Holt** will have surgery at the end of the month for basal cell carcinoma.

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.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

The outreach program Hands & Feet is currently in need of bottled water, small bags of chips, pudding cups, men's underwear, and socks. A box for items is under the main table in the foyer.

MORNING POINTE SINGING

Our next singing at Morning Pointe Assisted Living will be next Sunday, May 21. We hope to have a big group show up to sing with the residents there. See Arthur Pigman with questions.

Please silence your cell phones during worship & Bible class.

Thanks!