

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

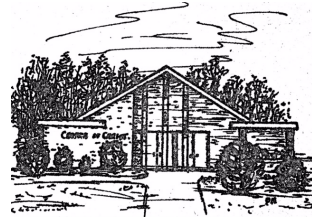
Bible Study	75
Worship	130
Contribution	\$4826

### Sunday PM

Worship	69
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	73
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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 - Australia

Please follow us on



## Serving the Congregation: Sept 17, 2023

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Clint Patterson	Tim Melton
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Arthur Pigman	Clint Patterson
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Herb Byrd	Chuck Kilpatrick

<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	James McCrary	Wayne Kelly
<b>Announcements:</b>	Chris Cox	
<b>Usher:</b>	Hubert Sharp	

## Wednesday evening: Sept 20, 2023

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Joey Smith
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Chris Cox

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*Celebrating 80 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2023*

## Simple Instructions

By Lance Cordle

I occasionally get headaches, and when I do, I sometimes take a pain reliever to combat them. The brand I use has a multipack carton containing the medicine wrapped in a sealed, foil package. Over the years, I have "waged a war" with the packaging, because it has been extremely difficult (for me) to tear open. If I am where scissors are available, I will use the scissors.

It just so happens that I was recently in need of headache relief and I dreaded going through the frustrating process of opening the foil with no scissors. However, for some reason, the fine print on the package caught my attention. There was a straight line across the top and the words indicated that I was to fold the foil straight along the line and then rip the package from top to bottom. Amazingly, as I followed the instructions, I was able to easily open the package. Sensing that my success might have been a fluke, I waited till I got another headache to test the process. Sure enough, I obeyed the instructions again, following them to a "T," and it worked!

Who knew that opening the foil package could be so easy?! I just followed the simple instructions.

This reminded me of the biblical story of Naaman the leper (found in 2 Kings 5). Naaman was a valiant warrior for his king, however, he carried the dreaded disease of leprosy. Following a recommendation from a young Israelite woman, he sought a cure from the prophet of God, Elisha. After consulting his king, as well as Israel's king, Naaman came to Elisha's residence. Instead of going to him and touching him, Elisha sent a messenger with instructions for Naaman to "wash in the Jordan seven times" (2 Kings 5:10). Instead of obeying the words of the prophet, Naaman expressed his displeasure with Elisha. That displeasure came about because he did not like the part about the washing in the Jordan River—located in enemy territory and possibly seen to be "dirty" by Naaman. He voiced his disappointment in front of his servants, who promptly gave him words of wisdom: "My father, it is a great word the prophet has said to you; will you not do it? . . . So he went and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan River . . . and his skin was restored like the flesh of a child" (2 Kings 5:13-14).

The instructions may be simple, but sometimes, through our stubbornness, we make things difficult. Jesus asked, "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord' and not do what I tell you?" (Luke 6:46). That is a good question!

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Sept 23	Youth Gathering
Sept 24	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Oct 2	Ladies Class begins
Oct 21-22	Grief Seminar
Oct 22	Church-Eat-Church

### LADIES BIBLE CLASS

A new Monday evening Ladies Bible Study will begin on Oct. 2 and meet the first Monday of every month at 6:30pm here at the building. Teacher Becca Fields will be using the book "A Digging Deep Study of David and Christ." Please see Becca to order your workbook.

### LIBRARY MATERIALS

We have several books and DVDs that have been checked out of the church library for quite some time. We will be taking inventory soon and need all materials returned.

### YOUTH GATHERING

The Kilpatricks are looking forward to hosting our youth and families at their home on Saturday, Sept 23 at 5:30pm. Please bring one can of Hormel chili per person. Bring your favorite yard or board games. Address: 219 Oak Rd, Powell (in the Claxton community).

### DIRECTORY & BOARD PHOTOS

If you need to have your picture made for our church directory and the picture board at the rear of the auditorium, please see Joey Smith.

### MISSING SONGBOOKS

Several copies of our newer songbooks that are scattered throughout the auditorium are missing! If you've borrowed or moved these books, please return them to the library.

### HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

The outreach program Hands & Feet is currently in need of Pop Tarts, bars of soap, and peanut butter crackers. A box for items is under the table in the foyer.

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

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### GRIEF SEMINAR

We will host a grief seminar here at the Clinton congregation Oct. 21-22. Mark your calendars now and be thinking of friends you may know who would benefit from this seminar. Our services on Sunday, Oct. 22 will be "church-eat-church" with a fellowship meal following the morning services and an early afternoon service instead of an evening service.

### TEACHER CONTACTS

We are fortunate to have so many good Bible class teachers here at Clinton! Teachers, if you are going to be out-of-town or unable to teach your class, please let either Herb Byrd or Stump Smith know prior to the date so a substitute can be lined up.

## AREA EVENTS

### GOSPEL MEETING

Lawnville Rd Church of Christ: Sept 17-20

### LADIES DAY

Eastside (Maryville) Church of Christ: Sept 23

### AREA-WIDE SINGING

Hardin Valley Church of Christ: Sept 24

### GOSPEL MEETING

LaFollette Church of Christ: Oct 16-19

### GRIEF SEMINAR

Clinton Church of Christ: Oct 21-22

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

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

### This Week:

- **Wade Colwell** will have a stint procedure on his leg Monday morning at 11:00am. If this procedure doesn't work, he will have bypass surgery at Fort Sanders.
- **Cindy Jones** has been sick this past week.
- **Clint Byars**, Garry Jones' brother-in-law, is in need of our prayers.
- **Blu Knight** had another medical procedure last week.
- **Jeff Jackson's dad** is need of our prayers after surgery and a fall.
- **Jimmy Patton**, Jason Patton's father, is now home and is very weak.
- **Charlotte Pigman** continues to recover from surgery.
- **Sabrina Perkins** will have shoulder surgery on Sept. 19.
- **Garry Jones** has been given permission to pick up his permit. He will arrive at the Mustard Seed Village early this week.

### Last Week:

- **Andrew Verble** is in critical condition at the hospital in Louisville, KY.
- **Dave Phippen**, Mason Bentley's father-in-law, recently suffered a fall and is in rapidly declining health. He is also on hospice care following a battle with cancer.
- **Cathy Glenn** is home after a short trip to the hospital.

### Shut-In:

- At home - **Betty Weaver**
- Norris Health & Rehab - **Polly Keck**
- The Waters of Clinton - **Dacey Humphrey**

Please send prayer requests and updates  
to [churchofchristclinton@gmail.com](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com)  
or give to Joey Smith in writing.

### SCHOOL MENTORS

The state of Tennessee is looking for mentors to help high school kids enroll in and register for college. Some of our members here have helped out with this program in the past. If you are interested in helping mentor a local high school student, see Yvonne Kilpatrick for more info.

### FALL QUARTER WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Our Wednesday night fall series continues this week:

### When Heroes Falter

Sept 20	Solomon - <i>Loving this World</i>	Nov 1	Moses - <i>Losing Your Temper</i>
Sept 27	Judas - <i>Covetousness</i>	Nov 8	Sarah - <i>Not Trusting God</i>
Oct 4	Saul - <i>Jealousy</i>	Nov 15	Peter - <i>Denying Our Lord</i>
Oct 11	Elijah - <i>Wanting to Give Up</i>	Nov 22	Thanks-Singing
Oct 18	Lot - <i>Choices Affecting Children</i>	Nov 29	Peter - <i>Hypocrisy</i>
Oct 25	Paul - <i>Sharp Contentions</i>		

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