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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

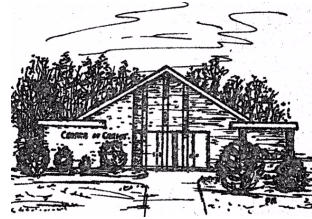
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Worship	122
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Sunday PM

Worship	55
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Wednesday

Bible Study	64
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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: Dec 31, 2023

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Ben Smith	Singing
Opening Prayer:	Rick Caudle	Dale Mowery
Lord's Table:	Dale Mowery	Dale Tanner

Closing Prayer:	Samuel Cox	Wavell Stewart
Announcements:	Stump Smith	
Usher:	Hubert Sharp	

Wednesday evening: Jan 3, 2024

Song Leader:	Samuel Cox
Invitation:	Richard Bentley
Announcements:	Chris Cox

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Celebrating 80 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2023

Following the Pattern in the New Year

By Joe Slater

What do you suppose God's people were doing on New Year's Day roughly 3500 years ago? Would you believe they were putting up the tabernacle? "On the first day of the first month, you shall set up the tabernacle of the tent of meeting" (Exodus 40:1). "And it came to pass in the first month of the second year, on the first day of the month, that the tabernacle was raised up" (40:17).

Earlier in Exodus (chapters 25-31) God had given Moses explicit and detailed instructions about the tabernacle and all of its furnishings, beginning with this exhortation: "According to all that I show you, that is, the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furnishings, just so shall you make it" (25:9). The Lord repeated this command several times as He specified the dimensions, materials, design, etc., of the tabernacle and its furnishings. "And see to it that you make them according to the pattern which was shown you on the mountain" (25:40). "And you shall raise up the tabernacle according to its pattern which you were shown on the mountain" (26:30). "As it was shown you on the mountain, so shall they make it" (27:8).

Moses and the Israelites took God seriously! "Thus Moses did; according to all that the Lord had commanded him, so he did" (Exodus 40:16).

The tabernacle and things associated with it were a shadow of the better things Jesus Christ established in the New Covenant. The Hebrews writer taught that we ought to be even more diligent to be faithful in the New Covenant than Moses and the Israelites were in the Old Covenant (Hebrews 2:1-4; 10:28-31).

In this new year, let us renew our determination to follow God's pattern set forth in the New Testament!

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Dec 31	Singing/Food/Game Night
Jan 3	Silver Saints
Jan 7	L2L Practice
Jan 8	Ladies Bible Class
Jan 14	Youth Bowling
Feb 23-25	CYC trip
Mar 29-31	Lads to Leaders Convention

SINGING + NEW YEARS EVE GAME NIGHT

Come back tonight for singing, fellowship meal, and then a period of games and fun as we ring in the new year!

SILVER SAINTS

The Silver Saints will meet this Wednesday at 10am for a devotional and fellowship. We'll also be preparing brother Garry's latest India Mission newsletter for mailing.

LADS TO LEADERS

Our next Lads practice will be Jan. 7 at 4:30pm. Parents, please continue to keep a record of your children's scripture readings and song leading. Studying Romans for Bible Bowl would be helpful. Don Scott can provide the questions.

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC 2024 will be Feb. 23-25. The cost to attend is \$95 per person; tickets have been ordered! See Joey Smith to make payment.

2024 SISTER FRIENDS

Please check the list in the lobby (or on Facebook) to sign up to "host" one of our 2024 monthly Sister Friends events. If you haven't hosted before -- most events are held at the church building. You are more than welcome to find a co-host to help you too.

BOWLING

Everyone is invited to join the youth for bowling after evening services on Jan. 14 at Oak Ridge Bowling Center.

COMMUNION PREPARATION 2024

A signup list for communion preparation in the new year is on the table in the foyer. We will continue our current setup, so preparation will be making sure the baskets - one in the foyer and one at the front of the auditorium - are stocked with supplies and disposal baggies are available.

PEW UPDATE

The reupholstering of the pews has been delayed yet again due to the wrong color fabric being shipped. The new fabric will have to be loomed at the mill, so we are now looking at completion in mid-January.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order for Morris Wells who retired from TVA/Bull Run on Dec. 29! We have enjoyed having Morris and his wife Linda with us on Wednesday evenings.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

The outreach program Hands & Feet is currently in need of tuna packets, oatmeal packets, and single-serve chip bags. A box for items is in the foyer.

AREA EVENTS

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVO

Karns Church of Christ: Jan 7

GREAT SMOKY MTN MARRIAGE RETREAT

Gatlinburg & Sevierville Churches: Feb 14-18

EAST TENNESSEE FAMILY CONFERENCE

West End Church of Christ: Feb 16-18

SOUTHEAST LECTURES

Karns Church of Christ: Apr 21-24

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Rachel** and **Abby Fields** have been sick at home.
- **Hubert Sharp** will now have a PET scan on Jan 5.

Last Week:

- **Charlotte Pigman** continues to recover from knee replacement surgery. She is experiencing weakness and pain.
- **Lesley Mowery** has an appointment with an electrophysicist on Jan 17 to discuss a defibrillator/pacemaker combo.
- **Rileyann Bailey**, friend of Caroline Smith, has been in the hospital with flu but is now home.
- **Knox Ray**, a 4 year old who fell into a swimming pool, is in need of our prayers. He is currently in therapy for speech and walking.
- **Tom Essary**, Betty Gossett's brother-in-law, is having surgery on his neck.
- **Andrew Verble** is currently in intense rehab. Cards of encouragement would really lift his spirits. Please mail to his home address and his parents will get the cards to him: 116 Greenhaven Ct, Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

Sympathy:

- To Billy, Jean, Hobart, and Pat Humphrey in the passing of **Dicie Humphrey**.
- To Rachel Broadway and family in the passing of her niece's husband, **Thomas Wells**.
- To Wavell Stewart in the passing of his aunt, **Norma Jean Palmer**.

Shut-In:

- At home - **Betty Weaver**
- Norris Health & Rehab - **Polly Keck**

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

PARKING NEEDS

Last week was another week that our parking lot was COMPLETELY full on Sunday morning! We are delighted to have this problem. If you are able to park in our grassy lot on Sunday mornings and leave the spaces closest to the building for our visitors and members with mobility needs or small children, that would be helpful.

BUILDING ADDITION

Our updated total for the two special contributions towards our building addition is now at \$31,988. Thanks again to everyone who gave so generously. Our two special contribution Sundays allowed us to focus on this project specifically but we will continue to add any special contributions from our members directly into the building fund at any time. Please be in prayer for this process as well.

PANTRY CLEANOUT

Please check the Pantry for any dishes or containers that may be yours. The Pantry will be cleaned and purged in the new year of any leftover dishes or items we do not use.