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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	92
Worship	126
Contribution	\$4111

Sunday PM

Worship 77

Wednesday

Bible Study —



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: Jan 21, 2024

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
Song Leaders:		
Opening Prayer:		
Lord's Table:		
Closing Prayer:		
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Wednesday evening: Jan 24, 2024

Song Leader: Chris Cox
Invitation: Richard Bentley
Announcements: Herb Byrd

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Celebrating 80 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2023

Let's Go Fishing

by Jay Launius, Maud, TX

Have you ever wondered why fishing is mentioned so often in the four gospel accounts of the New Testament? Could it be that the activity of fishing is one that most people can relate to in one way or another? Even if you've never fished in your life, you have a general idea of what fishing is all about. A person uses certain tools like hooks, lines, bait, or nets to go into the water and catch fish.

There's a great fishing story in Luke 5:1-11 that tells of how Jesus got into a boat with Simon Peter and said, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." (v.4). Peter, being a professional fisherman told Jesus that they had fished all night and caught nothing. However, because Jesus had commanded it, Peter went fishing anyway. The results were amazing! They caught so many fish that the nets broke, other boats and fisherman had to come and help with the great catch of fish. As Peter witnessed the miracle he fell to his knees and said to Jesus, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!" (v.8). Jesus' response to Peter was both comforting and profound, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." (v.10) I'm not sure Peter completely understood what Jesus meant, but it moved him so that he abandoned all he had and followed the Christ. (v11)

Even though Peter's road to becoming a "fisher of men" (Matt. 4:19) was paved with mistakes and imperfections, he did just as Jesus had commanded. Peter's adventures in evangelism are recorded for us in the book of Acts and the letters of 1st & 2nd Peter still inspire us to this day. Jesus' instruction to cast out the net of the Gospel was not only meant for Peter and the Apostles, but for us as well. We must be fully equipped with the fishing gear of truth and always be ready to troll the waters of the world for lost souls. So with that, "Let's go fishing!"

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Jan 22 Sister Friends

Jan 28 Song Service/Fingerfoods

Feb 7 Silver Saints Feb 23-25 CYC trip

Mar 29-31 Lads to Leaders Convention

NEW BABY GIRL

Congratulations to Jacob and Elie McCrary on the arrival of **Amelia McCrary** on January 13 at 12:41pm. Mom and baby are doing well and proud grandparents James and Missy McCrary are elated!

LADS TO LEADERS

Lads to Leaders will meet each Sunday at 4:30. Be sure to document all of your year-round events, back-tracking to February 2, 2023. Completion levels need to be communicated to Resa Byrd, in writing or text, by Jan 28.

SISTER FRIENDS

The ladies will meet for supper on Monday, Jan. 22 at Apple Blossom Cafe at 5:30pm. The temps are supposed to rise on Monday, so hopefully roads and sidewalks will be clear. Please use your best judgement and caution!

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.

LIBRARY MATERIALS

Billy Fields will be inventorying and cataloging ALL of our materials in the church library in the coming weeks. If you have materials checked out, please return them OR, if you are actively using them, let Billy know what you have by the end of January.

FOOD FOR COLWELLS

Wade & Carolyn Colwell are in need of meals a few times a week as Carolyn continues to take care of Wade at home. Casseroles and other warm meals will be much appreciated.

COMMUNION PREPARATION 2024

A signup list for communion preparation in the new year is on the table in the foyer. We will still have a few months that need to be taken.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: tuna packets, breakfast bars, and beanie weenies. A box for items is in the foyer.

PARKING NEEDS

Our parking lot has been filling up to capacity on most Sunday mornings. 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.

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.

AREA EVENTS

YOUTH DAY

Jefferson City Church of Christ: Feb 3

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVO

West End Church of Christ: Feb 11

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- Millard Adkins was taken to the ER last week but is now home.
- **Derek Payne** has been sick at home.
- Paul Adkins has been sick at home.
- Jeff Jackson has been sick with the flu.
- Stacey Schulz has been sick at home.
- Ellis Jackson, Jeff Jackson's father, has been in ICU with congestive heart failure but is doing better.
- **Michael Simon**, Ouita Northcutt's nephew, is suffering with terminal cancer. He live in Phoenix, AZ.

Last Week:

- Jason Patton is home after being in the hospital with diabetic ketoacidosis.
- **Declan McElroy** is recovering from an ear infection.
- Reba Miller, Gail Sharp's aunt, is sick with the flu and a cold.
- **Hubert Sharp** received good news from his PET scan. He will likely still have radiation to kill any cancer cells that might have been missed by the scan.
- Mark Yarber had surgery to remove his trachea.
- Jackie Ball, a member at the Rocky Top congregation, had surgery for a broken hip.

Shut-In:

- At home Wade Colwell, Betty Weaver
- Norris Health & Rehab Polly Keck

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

SNOW SCHEDULE

Due to the continue icy conditions of our parking lot and most side roads in Clinton and the surrounding area, we are not meeting in person today at the building.

We will have one live-streamed worship service at 11:00am viewable on Facebook and YouTube. We will not stream an evening service.

We plan to be back on Wednesday evening for Bible Study!