

# Clinton Church of Christ

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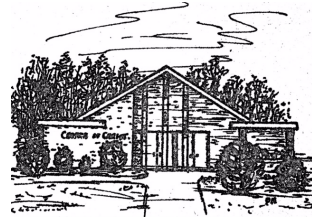
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*A friendly church with  
a saving message*

### 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**

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### Serving the Congregation: Mar 24, 2024

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Joey Smith	Samuel Cox
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Bradley Crider	Billy Humphrey
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Chris Cox	Tim Melton

<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Dale Tanner	Rick Caudle
<b>Announcements:</b>	Herb Byrd	
<b>Usher:</b>	Tim Nygard	

### Wednesday evening: Mar 27, 2024

**Song Leader:** Chris Cox  
**Invitation:** Clint Patterson  
**Announcements:** Herb Byrd

### FOR THE RECORD

#### Sunday AM

Bible Study	90
Worship	128
Contribution	\$4122

#### Sunday PM

Worship	75
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#### Wednesday

Bible Study	80
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# the Clinton Chronicle

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*Celebrating 81 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2024*

## If We Never Meet Again

By David A. Sargent

The distance was almost 2,800 miles and the trip, due to the pandemic, was three-years in the making, but the two sisters were finally able to reunite.

Barbara Carolan (age 94) had not been able to see her little sister, Shirley (age 90), since 2020. Considering their advanced ages, Barbara really wanted to see her sister again. Barbara's granddaughter, Stephanie Atkinson Shively, enabled the reunion. She took her grandmother from her home in Seabrook, New Hampshire to the home of her great aunt in Laughlin, Nevada – a distance of 2,766 miles.

Shively captured a conversation that the two elderly sisters shared in a video that she posted on social media. The video has gone viral.

"If we don't see each other on this Earth, we'll see you in heaven," the younger sister said in the video shared by Shively.

"You betcha, you betcha," the 94-year-old sister replied.

Their conversation reflects the meaning of a song written by Albert R. Brumley in 1945 entitled, "If We Never Meet Again This Side of Heaven":

Soon we'll come to the end of life's journey,  
and perhaps we'll never meet anymore,  
till we gather in heaven's bright city,  
far away on that beautiful shore.

The sisters' conversation and the words of the song reflect the hope of those who are in Christ.

Without Christ, each of us is lost – separated from God due to our sin (Isaiah 59:1-2). But God loves us so much that He gave His one and only Son to die on the cross for our sins (John 3:16). Through Jesus and His atoning sacrifice, we can be saved from our sins, reconciled to God, and recipients of the gift of eternal life (2 Corinthians 5:17-21). In order to receive these glorious spiritual blessings, we must accept His offer of salvation and eternal life through our trusting obedience.

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## CLINTON CALENDAR

Mar 29-31	Lads to Leaders Convention
Mar 31	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Apr 1	Ladies Bible Class
Apr 21	Cox Wedding Shower
Apr 28	Song Service/Fingerfoods

### 2024 SISTER FRIENDS

The month of June is still in need of hostesses!! Please let Susan Smith know if you want to help host a Sister Friends gathering (meal out, an event at church, or just an activity together).

### WEDDING SHOWER

All ladies are invited to a wedding shower honoring Rachel Cox on Sunday, April 21st at 3:30pm. She is registered at TheKnot.com.

### LIBRARY CLEAN-UP

There are several personal items on the tables in the library that were cleaned out of the pews. Please "reclaim" any of your belongings. Any items leftover that are not claimed will be donated/given away.

### COLLECTION PROJECT

Sheila Herren is once again collecting old t-shirts and gallon Ziploc bags for projects at the local shelter. A box for items is in the foyer.

### LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Our next Ladies Bible class will be Monday, April 1 starting at 6:30pm.

### GRADUATE & STUDENT RECOGNITION

In May, we will recognize and celebrate all of our young people and graduates and their accomplishments in school and beyond. Please email, text, or give Joey Smith your child's update in writing by May 19.

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

### LADS TO LEADERS

Our final L2L practice will be today:

- 3:00 Puppets
- 4:00 Bible Bowl
- 5:00 Song Leading & Bible Reading

Please remember in your prayers our youth and adults that are traveling to the Lads to Leaders Convention in Nashville this weekend.

### HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: fruit cups, granola bars, and pop tarts. No more clothing is needed at this time. A box for items is in the foyer.

### LADIES DAY OUTING

There is a signup sheet in the foyer for those interested in attending the Ladies Day at the Central Church of Christ in Johnson City on April 6. Please see Gail Sharp with questions.

### PARKING NEEDS

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

### PIES FOR LECTURESHIP

We have been asked to provide pies once again for the upcoming SEIBS Lectureship. Please see details posted in the foyer.

## AREA EVENTS

### LADIES DAY

Central Church (Johnson City): Apr 6

### SOUTHEAST LECTURES

Karns Church of Christ: Apr 21-24

### SOUTHEAST LEADERSHIP CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: June 2-9

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### This Week:

- **Jamye Nash** is recovering at home from surgery.
- **Kristen Herren**, Buck Herren's wife, is doing well but is concerned about delivery of their child as it is in breach position. She is due in April.
- **Wade Colwell** continues to be at home under hospice care. He is very weak.
- **Mark Yarber** has been in the hospital with heart arrhythmia issues.

### Last Week:

- **Katie Eller**, Sabrina Schwenke's sister, is in the hospital with COVID and pneumonia.
- **Bobbie Sue Phillips** is now at NHC Farragut room 355. She would enjoy having visitors. Visiting hours are 8:00am to 8:00pm but coming after 5:00pm is recommended.
- **Maverick Traub** was taken to Children's Hospital with a fever of 104. He has been diagnosed with the flu.

### Shut-In:

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

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

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God will save and give eternal life to those who place their faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). He will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7-9).

Those who accept His offer can rejoice in the expectant hope of a great reunion when Jesus returns. Read and relish the words of 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

Christians can sing with assurance the chorus of Brumley's song:

If we never meet again this side of heaven,  
as we struggle through this world and its strife,  
there's another meeting place somewhere in heaven,  
by the side of the river of life,  
where the charming roses bloom forever,  
and where separations come no more,  
if we never meet again this side of heaven,  
I will meet you on that beautiful shore.

In Jesus we have this living hope (1 Peter 1:3-4). You can share in this hope if you will trust and obey Jesus. If you do and if we never meet this side of heaven, I'll see you on that beautiful, eternal shore.