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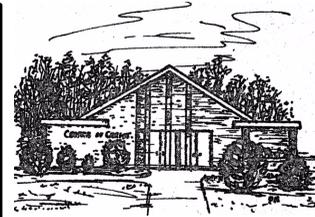
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a saving message*

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: Apr 14, 2024

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Chris Cox	Tim Melton
Opening Prayer:	Chuck Kilpatrick	Joshua Moorey
Lord's Table:	Bradley Crider	Stump Smith

Closing Prayer: James McCrary Jody Yarber
Announcements: Arthur Pigman
Usher: Dale Mowery

Wednesday evening: Apr 17, 2024

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

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study 92
Worship 130
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Sunday PM

Worship 73

Wednesday

Bible Study 75

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Perfect Peace

By David A. Sargent

Berit Kjos once wrote a piece about peace: Long ago a man sought the perfect picture of peace. Not finding one that satisfied, he announced a contest to produce this masterpiece. The challenge stirred the imagination of artists everywhere, and paintings arrived from far and wide. Finally, the great day of revelation arrived. The judges uncovered one peaceful scene after another, while the viewers clapped and cheered. The tensions grew. Only two pictures remained veiled. As a judge pulled the cover from one, a hush fell over the crowd. A mirror-smooth lake reflected lacy, green birches under the soft blush of the evening sky. Along the grassy shore, a flock of sheep grazed undisturbed. Surely this was the winner.

The man with the vision uncovered the second painting himself, and the crowd gasped in surprise. Could this be peace? A tumultuous waterfall cascaded down a rocky precipice; the crowd could almost feel its cold, penetrating spray. Stormy-gray clouds threatened to explode with lightning, wind and rain. In the midst of the thundering noises and bitter chill, a spindly tree clung to the rocks at the edge of the falls. One of its branches reached out in front of the torrential waters as if foolishly seeking to experience its full power. A little bird had built a nest in the elbow of that branch. Content and undisturbed in her stormy surroundings, she rested on her eggs. With her eyes closed and her wings ready to cover her little ones, she manifested peace that transcends all earthly turmoil.

Peace in the midst of a storm – that is perfect peace. Only Jesus can give us this peace.

“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.” – John 14:27

The only peace that the world can offer is an absence of conflict. Peruse the history of the world and its current state, and one cannot find lasting peace in it. It seems that lasting peace is an impossibility in the world.

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CLINTON CALENDAR

Apr 14	Morning Pointe Singing
Apr 21	Cox Wedding Shower
Apr 27	Sister Friends
Apr 28	Song Service/Fingerfoods
May 6	Ladies Bible Class
May 18	Jackson Wedding Shower
May 26	Song Service/Fingerfoods
May 26	Graduate Recognition
Jul 14-17	VBS

SYMPATHY

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Karen Yarber, Carolyn Colwell, and family in the passing of brother **Wade Colwell**. Wade's funeral services were on Thursday.

MORNING POINTE SINGING

Our monthly time of singing with the residents of Morning Pointe Assisted Living is today at 3:00.

SISTER FRIENDS

Our next Sister Friends gathering will be on Saturday, April 27 at 11:00am. "Life Is Relative" is the theme and will be a spring picnic. Please see hostesses Rebecca Nash or Sheila Herren with any questions.

GRADUATE & STUDENT RECOGNITION

On May 26, 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.

PIES FOR LECTURESHIP

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

TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Registration is now open for this summer's Teenage Christian Camp! See the table in the foyer for info or see any of our members who are involved in camp for more info.

WEDDING SHOWERS

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

There will be a shower for Casey Jackson, Garry and Cindy Jones' granddaughter, on Saturday, May 18 from 10:00 to 12:00 (come & go) at Charlotte Pigman and Hannah Cox's home. She is also registered at TheKnot.com.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: bottled water, peanut butter crackers, and tuna packets. Clothing donations are also needed again. A box for items is in the foyer.

COLLECTION PROJECT

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

VISITATION & OUTREACH

Be sure to pick up this week's updated visitation and outreach list on the table at the back of the auditorium this evening. Please see Arthur Pigman with any questions.

CLINTON CHURCH T-SHIRTS

We have plenty of the new gray Clinton Church t-shirts available if you are interested in getting one. They are \$10. See Joey Smith!

AREA EVENTS

SOUTHEAST LECTURES

Karns Church of Christ: Apr 21-24

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVO

Morristown Church of Christ: Apr 28

SOUTHEAST LEADERSHIP CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: June 2-9

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Tim Nygard** is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- **Jody Yarber** is suffering with multiple kidney stones.
- **Dr. Randall Robbins**, known to many here, is in critical care at UT Medical Center and was scheduled for open heart surgery last week.
- **Carolyn Cox** has been sick at home with the flu.
- **Millard Adkins** has been sick at home.
- **Chris McDonald**, the boyfriend of Heather Pope, a friend of the Fields family, suffered a seizure and a brain tumor has been found. It will need to be removed surgically.
- **Bobbie Sue Phillips** remains at NHC.

Last Week:

- **Terri Hicks**, Patty McKnight's daughter, fell and broke both her feet.
- **Bobbie Price**, Cathy Glenn's mother, is recovering from hip surgery in room 723 at UT Medical Center. She will go to a rehab facility in the near future.

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.

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But Jesus offers peace in the midst of conflict and turmoil.

"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." – John 16:33

The key to this peace is a right relationship with God. The greatest disturber of peace is our sin: it separates us from God (Isaiah 59:1-2), from one another (Galatians 5:15), and it robs us of internal peace (Isaiah 57:20).

But Jesus, the Prince of peace, left heaven and came to this earth as a man to enable us to have peace. He died on the cross to pay the price for our sins so that we may have peace with God (Romans 5:1), peace with one another (Ephesians 2:14), and peace within ourselves (Philippians 4:6-7).

*"Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?
The blood of Jesus whispers peace within."*

— Edward Henry Bickersteth

God will give His peace, His forgiveness, and 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 give His peace to those who continue to walk in the light of His Word as the blood of Jesus continues to cleanse such from sin (1 John 1:7-9). Know Jesus; know peace. There is no lasting peace anywhere else.