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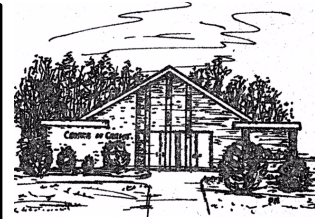
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

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

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation: July 21, 2024

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Clint Patterson	Tim Melton
Opening Prayer:	Garry Jones	Chuck Kilpatrick
Lord's Table:	Billy Fields	Samuel Cox

Closing Prayer:	Wavell Stewart	Wayne Kelley
Announcements:	Stump Smith	
Usher:	Dale Mowery	

Wednesday evening: July 24, 2024

Song Leader: Joey Smith
Invitation: Chris Cox
Announcements: Stump Smith

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study 89
Worship 135
Contribution \$4054

Sunday PM

Worship 111

Wednesday

Bible Study 100

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Celebrating 81 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2024

Chance or Opportunity

By Joe Slater

Does God give you chances, or does He provide opportunities? We sometimes treat those words as synonyms, but their meanings are quite different! Chance indicates something random, uncertain, even accidental – a roll of the dice, as it were. You have no way to influence the outcome.

Opportunity, by contrast, implies that you play a role in choosing a course of action. You may choose wisely or foolishly, but it remains your choice. It is neither random nor accidental.

Some things do, indeed, happen by chance. Solomon wrote by inspiration, "Time and chance happen to them all" (Ecclesiastes 9:11). Sometimes our plans don't work out no matter what we do. We didn't plan to become ill or be laid off from work, but it happened. Such is life.

But not everything is subject to chance. God can and does provide opportunities. Paul urged the Galatians to "do good to all" as they had opportunity (Galatians 6:10). He understood when material support from the church at Philippi was delayed: "You surely did care, but you lacked opportunity" (Philippians 4:10).

Our salvation depends not on chance, but on how we use the opportunity God has provided in Christ. Acts 14:27 refers to it as God opening "the door of faith." As one chooses whether to walk through an open door, so we choose whether to trust Jesus and obey His gospel. This is neither random nor accidental.

Your eternal destiny depends not on chance, but on what you choose to do with the opportunities God has given to you.

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

July 21	Morning Pointe Singing
July 28	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Aug 5	Ladies Bible Class
Aug 7	Silver Saints
Aug 17	Herren Birthday Celebration
Sept 3	Ladies Class Fellowship
Sept 27-29	Ladies Retreat

VBS REPORT

VBS 2024 "Mountaintop Encounters" is history! A huge thank you to everyone who planned, worked, attended, and supported our VBS and our young people. Our attendance was:

Sunday:	111
Monday:	79
Tuesday:	99
Wednesday:	100

MORNING POINTE SINGING

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

FELLOWSHIP ROOM

The carpet in the fellowship room has been removed in preparation for floor refurbishing. Please be careful going in and out until the project is finished; don't trip over the threshold!

100th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On Aug. 17, there will be a birthday celebration for Georgia Herren at Clinton Community Center from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. Please do not bring anything but your appetite and help Georgia and her family celebrate!

LADIES CLASS YEAR END STUDY & FELLOWSHIP

Our Ladies Bible Class will have a year-end study and fellowship on Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 6:00pm. See Becca Fields with any questions.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Our next Ladies Bible Class will be Monday, August 5 starting at 6:30pm.

CLINTON SUMMER SERIES

This week:

Adults: Encounter with Nicodemus - Chris Cox
John 3:1-21

Youth: Parable of the Lost Sheep
Matt. 18:10-14, Luke 6:47-49
Craft: Ben Smith

Next week:

Adults: Temptations from Satan - J. McCrary
Luke 4:1-13

Youth: Parable of the Lost Coin
Luke 15:8-10

Craft: Lauren Battistelli/Julie Priest

VISITATION & OUTREACH

The updated visitation and outreach sheets will be available at the rear of the auditorium this evening. Please see Arthur Pigman with any questions.

AREA EVENTS

BREAKFAST MEETING

Tazewell Church of Christ: July 20

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Lawnville Rd Church of Christ: July 21-24

LaFollette Church of Christ: July 21-25

Wooddale Church of Christ: July 29

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVO

West End Church of Christ: July 23

GOSPEL SINGING

Great Smoky Mtns Church of Christ: July 26

MOUNTAIN EMPIRE MEN'S DAY

Central Church of Christ (Johnson City): Aug 3

GOSPEL MEETING

Madisonville Church of Christ: Aug 4-7

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Earl Broadway** was involved in an accident with a golf cart and was hit and fell. Earl suffered a brain bleed, concussion, skull fracture, and has staples in the back of his head.
- **Travis Fields**, brother of Billy Fields, was taken to Roane Medical Center with disorientation and pain. A CT scan revealed blockages. He will undergo further testing and evaluation.
- **Nate Henderson**, a friend of Laura William's husband, Dustin, had heart surgery that did not go well. He was left open and is on ECMO machine life support.
- **Wayne Kelley** has been sick this past week.

Last Week:

- **Sawyer Fields**, nephew of Billy Fields, suffered a broken wrist.
- **Tina Price** is at NHC Oak Ridge in room 135 following a fall. She will be there a few weeks.
- **Paul Price** is now home following back surgery.
- **Sherry Bushey** received good test results.
- **Jeff and Cathy Priest**, Julie Priest's father- and mother-in-law, lost their home to a fire. They were able to get out safely but lost a beloved pet in the fire. Prayers are appreciated as they navigate this difficult time.
- **Jamie Fielden**, cousin of Jeremy Price, and family lost their home to a massive fire.

Sympathy:

- To **Ruth Ashworth** in the passing of her father, **Jim Waldron**. Visitation will be Saturday, July 27 from 10:00am - 1:00pm central time at the Main Street Church of Christ in Crossville. Memorial donations may be sent to:

Richards/Waldron Mission Fund
c/o Tara Church of Christ
PO Box 1598
Oneonta, AL 35121-0018

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.

LADIES RETREAT

Mark your calendars for our Ladies' Retreat - September 27-29. It will be at a cabin on the lake in LaFollette. Please let Susan Smith know as soon as possible if you plan to attend. The cost of \$100 per person includes lodging and all food. It should be paid by August 31.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: tuna packets, granola bars, and single serve bags of chips. A box for items is in the foyer.

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