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FOR THE RECORD

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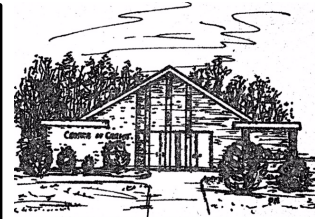
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Sunday PM

Worship 89

Wednesday

Bible Study 85



*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 Today

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Joey Smith	Samuel Cox
Opening Prayer:	Chuck Kilpatrick	Billy Humphrey
Lord's Table:	Don Scott	Tim Melton

Closing Prayer: Dale Tanner Jody Yarber
Usher: Hubert Sharp
Announcements: Herb Byrd

Serving Wednesday Evening

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

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Celebrating 81 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2024

The Hope Within You

By Jared Green

"But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:14-15).

When those around Peter's audience could not understand why they would remain faithful to Jesus while being persecuted, Peter called them to be prepared to defend their hope. Why remain faithful to the Lord, even amid life's difficulties? That is a question we all must be ready to answer.

The Israelites' hope was found in God's faithfulness to them. Just before Joshua's death, he and the Israelites renewed their covenant with God. In Joshua 24:2-13, Joshua reminded the people of God's unwavering faithfulness. God led Abraham through all the land of Canaan and gave him Isaac (v. 3). God then gave Jacob and Esau to Isaac, and Jacob's family ended up in Egypt (v. 4). Years later, God sent Moses and Aaron to Pharaoh and plagued Egypt until the people were delivered (v. 5). When the Egyptians gave chase, God parted the Red Sea to provide Israel safe passage, while the Egyptians were swallowed up (vv. 6-7). God then brought Israel into the promised land, giving them victory over all who would stand in their way, so that the people could live in a land perfectly laid out by God for his people (vv. 8-13).

After Joshua recounted God's faithful works, he called the people to put away their fathers' false gods and serve the Lord alone. No matter what others chose to do, however, Joshua said, "as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD" (v. 15). Having been reminded of God's faithfulness, the people could not agree more. They answered Joshua, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods, for it is the LORD our God who brought us up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed" (vv. 16-17).

The Israelites' hope and motivation to obedience was rooted in what God had done for them. The same should be true of us. We have experienced an even greater deliverance! "But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved" (Ephesians 2:4-5). What is the reason for our hope-filled obedience, even amid life's difficulties? That God, in his mercy, sent Jesus to save us from our sins and reconcile us to himself. May we all echo Joshua's great words: "But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD" (Joshua 24:15). God loves you, and so do I.

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Sept 1	New Class Quarter begins
Sept 3	Ladies Class Fellowship
Sept 4	Silver Saints Picnic
Sept 27-29	Ladies Retreat
Sept 29	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Nov 2	Men's Retreat
Oct 19	Sister Friends
Oct 26	Fall Gathering

NEW BIBLE CLASS QUARTER

The new quarter for our Bible classes begins today! Our Sunday class lineup for our children's classes is below:

Cradle Roll - Laura Bentley, Yvonne Kilpatrick

Toddlers (2s, 3s, Younger 4s) - Amy Hamby-Scott

Older 4s, Kindergarten-1st Grade - Lauren Battistelli, Jackie Patton, Hannah Cox

2nd-3rd Grades - Chris Cox

4th-6th Grades - Carla Herren

7th Grade-High School - Samuel Cox

Our Wednesday evening class lineup for our children's classes is below:

Cradle Roll - Laura Bentley, Yvonne Kilpatrick

Young Ones (2s, 3s, Pre-K and Kindergarten) - Hannah Cox

Elementary (1st-4th Grades) - Stump Smith

Older Girls (5th Grade - HS) - Brenda Patterson

Older Boys (5th Grade - HS) - Joey Smith

If you would like to be involved in the teaching program for our Bible classes, or just to learn more, see Stump Smith. Thanks to all of those who are willing to give of themselves to teach!

LADIES CLASS YEAR END STUDY & FELLOWSHIP

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

CRAFT PICK-UP

Please check the counter in the kitchen for your child's crafts from Wednesday night Bible class. There are several weeks' worth of crafts that are ready to go home!

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: fruit cups, Vienna sausages, and pop tarts. A box for items is in the foyer.

LADIES RETREAT

Our Ladies' Retreat is Sept. 27-29 at a cabin on the lake in LaFollette. The cost of \$100 per person includes lodging and all food.

If you are going to the retreat and have not paid, please see Susan Smith today.

MENS RETREAT

Men, mark your calendars for our Mens' Retreat on Saturday, Nov. 2 at Big Ridge State Park. More information and details to come! See Don Scott or Hubert Sharp with questions.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Jason, Jeremiah, and Joe Patton for deconstructing the old bridge across the spring. They along with Mason Gallaher will be building a new one for all to enjoy!

AREA EVENTS

TEEN AREA-WIDE DEVO

West End Church of Christ: Sept 8

LADIES DAY

West End Church of Christ: Sept 21

TEEN AREA-WIDE DEVO

Lenoir City Church of Christ: Oct 13

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Ronnie Worthington**, Charlotte May's son-in-law, will have open heart surgery.
- **Frances Walker** is recovering from a stroke.
- **Cindy Fields** has been moved to selective care.
- **Ouita Northcutt** is now recovering at her son's home in Knoxville.
- **Lindsay Stanley** is recovering from an injured knee.

Last Week:

- **Pat Humphrey** is in need of our prayers. Doctors found a spot in her liver that is concerning for possible metastatic cancer. She will be starting targeted chemotherapy.
- **Stacey Schulz** is suffering from a torn achilles tendon.
- **Micheal Olsen** is dealing with COVID and Graves' Disease.
- **Linda Lovely** has been diagnosed with aggressive breast cancer and is undergoing chemo.
- **Millard Adkins** is dealing with COPD.

Sympathy:

- To **Cathy Glenn** in the passing of her mother, **Bobbie Price**. Mrs. Price's funeral services were last week in Speedwell.

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.

SILVER SAINTS PICNIC

The Silver Saints will have a picnic at Norris Dam State Park on Wednesday, Sept. 4. A sign up sheet is in the foyer. All are invited, silver or not!

NEW BABY BOY

Congratulations are in order for Arthur & Charlotte Pigman on the birth of a new great-grandson, **Ryker Austin Murray**.

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.

NEW ADDRESS

Ron and Susan Reagan have a new address: 14 Diamond Circle, Breese, Illinois 62230

BRIDAL SHOWER

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring Courtney Elliott, granddaughter of Garry & Cindy Jones, on Saturday, Sept. 7 at 2:00pm. Please RSVP to 865-621-3689. The shower location is 9405 Abbey Mist Lane, Knoxville, TN 37931.

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