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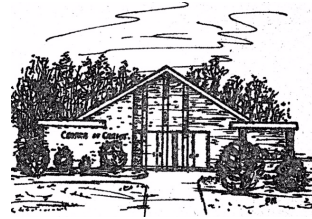
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

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 Today

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Chris Cox	Singing
Opening Prayer:	Don Scott	Wavell Stewart
Lord's Table:	Dale Mowery	Don Scott
Closing Prayer:	Arthur Pigman	Dale Tanner
Usher:	Chuck Kilpatrick	
Announcements:	Stump Smith	
Sound Booth:	Joey Smith	

Serving Wednesday Evening

Song Leader: Singing
Invitation: Clint Patterson
Announcements: Stump Smith

FOR THE RECORD

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Sunday PM
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Wednesday
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Buried Treasure

By Steve Higginbotham

As a child growing up on the banks of the Ohio River, I used to imagine that pirates could have buried treasure in my back yard or somewhere close by. Maybe I had an over-active imagination as a child, but I want you to use your imagination for just a moment.

Suppose that, based on reliable information, you knew for certain that there was a treasure worth millions of dollars buried in your back yard. Question: What would you do?

Well, if you're anything like me, your back yard would be full of pot holes. Maybe those holes would be made with a pick and shovel, or maybe you rented some heavy machinery. But one thing of which I am certain is that you would not quit looking after the first empty hole you dug. Neither would you quit if you found the work to be difficult and time consuming. Would you not invest all you have into discovering that treasure? Of course, you would.

But now, here's my point. Solomon said we need to seek wisdom, understanding, and knowledge like we would buried treasure. He said, "If you seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; then you will understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God." (Proverbs 2:4-5)

Question: Are we pursuing the knowledge of God as we would a buried treasure? Are we as diligent digging into the word of God for spiritual treasures as we would be digging in our back yard for silver and gold? Or is our quest for Godly wisdom and knowledge easily sidetracked by more important ventures?

Why would Christians willfully make life decisions to absent themselves from Bible study and worship? I don't know any conclusion other than they are either ignorant of the treasure of God's word and its promises, or they are more interested and driven by temporal, earthly treasures than eternal, spiritual treasures.

Maybe we need to rethink our priorities. After all, the mother of all treasure chests would pale in comparison to the treasures that can be uncovered in the word of God.

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Nov 24	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Nov 27	Thanks-Singing
Dec 1	L2L practice
Dec 6	Sister Friends
Dec 15	L2L practice
Dec 13	Silver Saints Holiday Gathering
Dec 14	Youth Holiday Party
Dec 29	Song Service
Dec 31	Game Night

NEW SISTER

We rejoice that **Olivia McGill** was baptized last Sunday morning! Please remember Olivia in prayer and encourage her in any way you can as she begins her Christian walk.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome **Jeremy, Serena, Jaden, & Olivia McGill** to the family here at Clinton. Their contact information has been added to your online directory or app. A copy of their info is also posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

SISTER FRIENDS

Ruth Ashworth is hosting on Dec. 6 and would like to have your "earliest Christmas photo" that you are in. Please write your name on the back (don't let anyone else see!) and bring to Ruth by Dec. 1st. Please sign the attendance sheet in the foyer. The meal will be catered by Ruth and there will be no gift exchange.

BUILDING UPDATE

Construction on our building addition should begin in the near future. A site plan is being completed and will be submitted to the city for approval in December. Once approval has been given, construction will begin!

THANKSGIVING SONG & PRAYER SERVICE

Our gathering this Wednesday evening will be a time of singing, Scripture reading, and prayer in preparation for the Thanksgiving holiday. Hope to see you there!

SONG SERVICE + FINGERFOODS

Tonight is our monthly song service followed by fellowship time. Please be back tonight to spend some time singing and sharing a meal with the church family.

LADS TO LEADERS PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Dec. 1 - 4:30
Dec. 15 - 4:30
Dec. 29 - no practice
Jan. 5 - 4:00 Bible Bowl, 4:30 puppet teams

VISITATION & OUTREACH

The new visitation and outreach sheets for the week will be available at the rear of the auditorium this evening. See Arthur Pigman with any questions about this work.

SILVER SAINTS HOLIDAY GATHERING

The Silver Saints are invited to a holiday party and gift exchange at 12:00 noon on Dec. 13 here at the church building. Bring food for a pot luck meal. Each person should bring a gift that costs no more than \$15.

YOUTH HOLIDAY PARTY

Our holiday gathering and cookie project for our young people will be here at the building on Saturday, Dec. 14 starting at 4:00pm. Dinner is pot luck. Everyone is asked to bring:

- A dish, side, or party snack to share
- One batch of cookies for our Cookie Box project
- A small gift to exchange in a Secret Santa game (*it can be homemade or something from around the house!*)

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC 2025 will be February 21-23. The theme is "Look Up! Thinking Like Jesus." It is time to start signing up, so please see Joey Smith if you plan to go. The cost per person to go is \$100 and payment needs to be made before your ticket can be ordered.

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Pat Humphrey** will have a biopsy in Nashville on Dec. 5 of a small spot on her liver revealed by her recent scan.
- **William Moorey** is due to be born soon to Josh and Sarah Moorey. Please pray for a safe and healthy birth.
- **Laura Bentley** has been sick at home.
- **Herb Byrd** has been sick and unable to be out.
- **Tim Melton** has been sick but is able to be back out.
- **Georgia Battistelli** has been sick but is feeling better.
- **Gary Cook**, a friend of Jeremy McGill, is intubated and in the hospital.
- **Lindsay Stanley**, Parker Stanley's daughter, is doing very well after surgery.
- **Kendra**, an employee at the central Clinton Wendy's, has asked for prayers for her husband, **Jesse**, who is undergoing chemo.
- We have been asked to pray for **Christians** in Taliban-controlled countries.

Last Week:

- **Bunny Nash** fell and suffered subdural bleeding. She is at Knoxville Rehabilitation Hospital room 115 and will be there up to 2 weeks.
- **Brian Flatford** is battling Stage 4 cancer.
- **Oaklynn** and **Stella Mowery** both have ear infections.
- **Yvonne DeMastus**, Becca Fields' mother, is in need of our prayers.
- **Ellis Carden**, Jeff Jackson's father, is now home.

Shut-In:

- At home - **Betty Weaver**
- Norris Health & Rehab - **Polly Keck**
- Courtyards Oak Ridge - **Bobbie Sue Phillips. Laura Waldron**

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

DIRECTORY & PHOTOS

See Joey Smith if you need an updated photo for the directory and board, need a printed version of the directory, or need help setting up the directory app on your phone.

CPR CLASS

Sheila Herren will be conducting a CPR - First Aid Class here in January. More details to come. Please see Sheila with any questions.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: snack crackers, Vienna sausage, and tuna packets. A box for items is in the foyer.

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