

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

#### Sunday AM

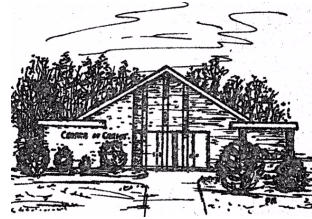
Bible Study	84
Worship	107
Contribution	\$4918

#### Sunday PM

Worship	51
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#### Wednesday

Bible Study	69
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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
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## 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
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Clint Patterson	Singing
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Joshua Moorey	Herman Herren
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Chris Cox	Dale Mowery
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Arthur Pigman	Tim Melton
<b>Usher:</b>	Chuck Kilpatrick	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott	
<b>Sound Booth:</b>	Billy Fields	

## Serving Wednesday Evening

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Joe Patton
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott

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*Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025*

## I'm Not Ready Yet

By Bill Brandstatter

I was talking to a lady once about the second coming of Christ. She stated, "I am not ready yet." I thought about what that statement revealed and what it can tell us.

First, being ready is not on my terms, but on Christ's. I must do what He wants me to do. His word will be the basis for judgment (Jn. 12:48). I cannot get ready by my own merit or standard. Jesus warned us to be ready and on the alert. To be ready means I have made the proper preparation. Preparation requires effort. To the persecuted Christians in the first century, Peter encourages them to "add to your faith" (2 Pet. 1:5).

Second, being ready being watchful. The Bible uses the term "watch" to describe the day of the second coming of Christ. He will only come back once. We don't know when, only the Father knows. If I am watchful in anything, I am on guard. I watch those items which will damage me. I watch to make sure the items I need are the ones I have. Watching for the second coming of Christ works the same way. Jesus used this term. Watch means to be on the lookout or to be aware of what is going on around us.

Third, being ready doesn't mean we wait till the last minute. Too many people have a lot of "baggage" they want to get rid of before Christ comes back. I am convinced that if the Bible gave us an exact time the Lord would return, there would be some who would wait until a split second before to get things right; but we are not told the time; therefore, any minute we wait could be the last minute.

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

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Jan 26	L2L practice
Jan 26	Song Service/Nacho Bar
Feb 7	Sister Friends
Feb 21-23	CYC trip
Mar 22	CPR class
Apr 18-20	L2L trip
May 18	Area-Wide Youth @ Clinton

### SONG SERVICE + NACHO BAR

We always look forward to our monthly singing and fellowship meal, and tonight's the night! We will have a build-your-own "nacho bar" with all meat, chips, and toppings provided...no need to bring anything other than desserts or drinks! Hope to see you back this evening!

### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC 2025 is February 21-23. The theme is "Look Up! Thinking Like Jesus." The cost per person to go is \$100 and payments are due now.

### SISTER FRIENDS

Our next Sister Friends gathering will be Friday, Feb. 7 at 6:30pm.

### TRACTS

With each shipment of House to House, we receive several good tracts by Allen Webster. They are on display in our resource room. Please avail yourselves of these and place them where you have opportunity. Also our two tract racks have several tracts available.

### HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: pudding cups, potted meat, oatmeal packets, warm winter gloves, and men's clothing. A box for items is in the foyer.

### CPR CLASS

Shelia Herren's CPR class will be Saturday, Mar. 22 at 10:00am. The fee for the class is \$25 which pays for your card. Please sign up in the foyer and see Sheila with any questions.

### GOOD NEWS, BAD NEWS

Many of you have read the last newsletter from the Andrew Young family. They had a troublesome trip from Knowles Road in Adelaide, South Australia to Gipps St. in Toowoomba, Queensland. However all that was forgotten because of the very successful campaign they had with the help of several students & chaperones from Freed Hardeman University. They held a Vacation Bible School and knocked many doors, also letter boxing (it is legal in Australia to put brochures in mail boxes) and had many lessons at the church building. Because of this effort Andrew is now swamped with many new contacts. The V.B.S. was so well attended that they ran out of volunteers and space and had to close registration. This is all really great, however the Young family is in need of funds to replace the car they had to sell "as is" with a ruined engine. To help out we will have a special contribution next Sunday. Everything over our new budget of \$4100 will be sent to them to help them get through this difficult time.

For the elders,  
-Dale

### AREA EVENTS

#### JUMP START COLLEGE AGE DEVO

South Knoxville Church of Christ: Jan. 26

#### GREAT SMOKY MTN MARRIAGE RETREAT

Music Road Resort: Feb. 5-9

#### EAST TENNESSEE FAMILY CONFERENCE

West End Church of Christ; Feb. 7-9

#### AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

West End Church of Christ: Feb. 9

#### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

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#### AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Karns Church of Christ: Mar. 9

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### This Week:

- **Wilson Gadd** has been sick and unable to be out.
- **Nolan Bagget**, Becca Fields' father, was admitted to ICU with cardiac issues. He is being kept for further testing.
- **Rachel Broadway** continues to recover from her broken wrist.
- **Laura Bentley** is recovering from shingles.
- **Gracie Barriera** has the flu.
- **Janella Melton's family** is recovering from COVID.

### Last Week:

- **Rebecca Nash** is sick at home with potentially the flu.
- **Lillie Mefford** was taken to urgent care with an injury to her foot.
- **Pat Humphrey** has gotten good news from her latest scan.

### 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](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com)  
or give to Joey Smith in writing.

## What Are You Worth?

By Larry Fitzgerald

"Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows" (Matthew 10:29-31).

The term "sparrow" is the name given to several different species of birds in the Bible. Like our barn sparrows, these birds would often build their nests on the eaves of houses and barns. Interestingly, they were not driven away when they built their nests in the Temple (Psalms 84:3). These insignificant little birds were sold for a very low price—two of them for a copper coin (Matthew 10:29). A copper coin, translated as a "penny" in some texts, was a very small Roman coin worth about 1/16 of a silver denarius ... a very small sum.

The point of Matthew 10 is not to be missed. If God is concerned about the tiny sparrow and knows all about each little bird, how much greater must His concern be for you and me! We are immeasurably greater in value than a sparrow! Jesus teaches us this profound truth – in God's eyes, no one is insignificant! You are worth more to Him than all the treasures of the world! (Matthew 16:26).

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