Clinton **Church of Christ**

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Elders: • Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30) 865-803-6272 Herman Herren • Confess faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 10:9-10; Matt. 10:32) 865-927-5001 Dale Mowerv 865-803-3601 Mike Smith 2:38; John 3:5; Rom 6:3, 4) Deacons: • Live Faithfully (2 Peter 1:10-11; Revelation 2:10) Herb Byrd 865-386-5656 Chris Cox 865-771-8153 Please follow us on **Our Mission Works Billy Fields** 865-257-2331 865-740-3066 James McCrary Garry Jones – India 865-507-5191 Tim Nygard The Mustard Seed: Rainbow Village Clint Patterson 256-616-8702 for Girls, Jacob's Village for Boys 706-836-0644 Arthur Pigman 865-254-6357 Scott Shanahan – Italy Hubert Sharp Joey Smith 865-773-8259 Andrew Young - Australia Preacher: **Richard Bentley** 865-264-0560 Serving the Congregation Today Associate: AM PM Clint Patterson 256-616-8702 Tommy Warren Sona Leaders: Ben Smith **Opening Prayer:** Herb Byrd Dale Mowerv Lord's Table: Don Scott Herman Herren Steve Smith Closing Prayer: Clint Patterson FOR THE RECORD Usher: Tim Nyaard Announcements: Stump Smith Sunday AM Bible Study 86 Sound Booth: Joev Smith 121 Worship Serving Wednesday Evening Contribution \$10250 Song Leader: Rick Caudle Sunday PM Invitation: Clint Patterson Worship 76 Announcements: Stump Smith Wednesday Bible Study 72 Vol. 19 Feb 9, 2025 Number 6



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WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday Bible Class 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class

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)

• Be Baptized (immersed) for forgiveness of your sins (Acts



The rapidity with which major events happen in today's world and the guickness with which information is conveyed to us is truly amazina. Though the details are sometimes inaccurate or misleading, our need to place our trust in the Lord becomes crystal clear. God is our only trust and He is in control to work all things for good to those who truly love Him (Rm. 8:28).

Is God really in control of world events? Yes. Is He responsible for the actions of sinful men? No. But, we can be assured that He does work providentially to bring about His ultimate purpose. How can we know this is true? Because the Bible tells us so.

In the days of the prophet, Daniel, the "wise men" of Babylon were threatened with death unless they could both reveal the contents and interpret the meaning of the king's dream. By revelation from God, Daniel was able to reveal the secrets of the king's heart and save the lives of the king's advisors. In thanking God for the revelation he had received, Daniel prayed, "Let the name of God be blessed forever and ever, for wisdom and power belong to Him. And it is He who changes the times and the epochs; He removes kings and establishes kings..." (Dan. 2:20-21). It is God who changes the times and the epochs-who removes and establishes kings. In other words, God is in control of human history.

Those in positions of authority today have a sacred trust from the Lord. There "is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God" (Rm. 13:1). Paul goes on to say that those who resist authority are opposing the ordinance of God. The only time we are obligated to violate the laws of the land is when those laws are contrary to the will of God. In such cases, "We must obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29). Governing authorities are God's servants for good, a responsibility which must be taken seriously. Otherwise, if they prove unfaithful to their trust, God will in His own time, remove them from power. The rulers of the kingdoms of the world are accountable to the great King of the universe.

When things appear to be spinning out of control, remember God's overruling providence. As the psalmist said, "we will not fear, though the earth should change, and...the mountains slip into the heart of the sea" (Ps. 46:1-2). Place yourself in the hands of the living God. He is in control of the universe. Why not give Him control of your life?

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



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Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025

CLINTON CALENDAR

Feb 9	Morning Pointe Singing
Feb 21-2	23 CYC trip
Feb 23	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Mar 1	Sister Friends
Mar 22	CPR class
Apr 18-2	20 L2L trip
May 18	Area-Wide Youth @ Clinton
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MORNING POINTE SINGING

Our time of singing and visiting with the residents at Morning Pointe will be today at 3:00pm. Please join us if you can!

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, "Brunch & Coffee," is Saturday, Mar. 1 beginning at 10:00am here at the church building. Please bring your favorite brunch dish to share. Hosts are April Holt and Ashley Webb.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: fruit cups, potted meat, and single-serve bags of chips. 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.

BUILDING UPDATE

Our site plan is on the agenda for approval at tomorrow evening's city planning commission meeting. If approved, our contractor will begin site work to expand the parking lot first into our vacant lot next door, then proceed to the building addition. Please continue to be in prayer for this effort.

THANK YOU FROM THE ELDERS

Last Sunday was a special day for many reasons. First it was the Lord's Day. We had a good number for Bible class and worship. Our classes and sermons were from God's word, the singing was great and the fellowship was wonderful. We also had a special contribution which because of this congregation's generosity and zeal for the Lord's work we were able to send the Young family \$7245.00 of which \$6745.00 was contributed by you. This will go a long way to recover the Young's loss in their move to Toowoomba, Queensland. If you haven't seen Andrew's newsletter please pick up one from the foyer.

Thank you once again family and may God bless our work here and around the world.

AREA EVENTS

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL West End Church of Christ: Feb. 9

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

LeConte Center: Feb. 21-23

LADIES DAY

Rockwood Church of Christ: Mar. 1

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL Karns Church of Christ: Mar. 9

LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION

Opryland Hotel: April 18-20

SOUTHEAST LECTURESHIP

Karns Church of Christ; April 27-30

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Clinton Church of Christ: May 18

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

<u>This Week</u>:

- Lois Nygard will be having surgery tomorrow.
- Wanda Kelly and Wilma Smith, both aunts of Sheila Herren, are under hospice care.
- **Missy Kelly**, Sheila Herren's cousin, had serious damage to her home in Morgan County during last week's tornado.
- Richard Bentley has been sick at home with a sinus infection.
- Charlotte Pigman's foot surgery has been postponed.
- Jacob, Katie, Emersyn, Oaklynn, and Stella Mowery have been dealing with quite a bit of sickness in the family.
- Dustin, Laura, Brentley, and Rhett Williams have had sickness at home this last week.

Last Week:

- Gail Sharp will have surgery on Feb. 17.
- Karen Yarber is confined at home with COVID.
- Millard Adkins is now home from the hospital.
- Ouita Northcutt has upcoming oral surgery and is experiencing difficulties related to that.
- Angel McKee, Billy Fields' aunt, is in the hospital with flu and pneumonia.
- Christy Hunter, wife of a coworker of Ben Smith, is under comfort care due to cancer.

Sympathy:

- To Ouita Northcutt and family in the passing of her sister-in-law, Norma Jean McGhee
- To Chris Cox and family in the passing of his uncle, Andy Maxwell

<u>Shut-In</u>:

- 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.

What I Want the Church to Be

The church that I attend is composed of people like me. We make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am friendly. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do a great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I bring them.

It will be a church with a noble spirit, if I show the same kind of spirit.

Therefore, I will let God use me in the task of being all things that I want the church, where I attend, to be.