# Clinton Church of Christ

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# FOR THE RECORD

# **Sunday AM**

Bible Study	86
Worship	117
Contribution	\$4179

#### Sunday PM

Worship	50
Wednesday	

Bible Study 63



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** 

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
Song Leaders:	Tommy Warren	Singing
Opening Prayer:	Joshua Moorey	Herman Herren
Lord's Table:	Herb Byrd	Dale Mowery
Closing Prayer:	James McCrary	Wavell Stewart
Usher:	Dale Mowery	
Announcements: Arthur Pigman		
Sound Booth:	Don Scott	
Carrier Waleston and Tourism		

**Serving Wednesday Evening** 

Song Leader: Joey Smith Invitation: Clint Patterson Announcements: Arthur Pigman

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Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025

# No Room for Jesus

By Bill Brandstatter

In the book of Luke, we have a record of Mary and Joseph traveling to Bethlehem. Mary is ready to have a child. They go to an inn and there was no room for them. So, they spent the night in a stable where Jesus is born and laid in a manger. There was no room for Jesus in the inn. I wonder if room could have been made if the owner of that inn would have known that the Savior of the world was going to be born there.

We have more information today than the owner of the inn did. We have information about Jesus before and after the manger. We know that He existed in heaven with God from eternity (John 1:1-4). We know that in many aspects He was equal with God (Phil. 2:6). We know that He left heaven to come to earth like all of us have done (Phil. 2:8). Then He died on the cross for us. (Phil. 2:8). Yet, with all this information available to us, some still do not have room for Jesus.

Those who want to teach salvation according to man's desires and expectations have no room for Jesus. Jesus included His blood and baptism in the plan of salvation. He stated that His blood was shed for the remission of sins (Matt. 26:28); but He also included baptism in salvation (Mark 16:16). Those who eliminate or minimize baptism have no room for Jesus.

Those who want to be married many times for many different reasons have no room for Jesus. Jesus was asked a question: "Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?" (Matt. 19:3 ASV) This question was based on some of the teachings of certain Jewish rabbis who said it was okay. This question was asked by Jews. It addressed an issue the Jews had dealt with for many years. Jesus took them back to the beginning of God's plan for marriage. (Matt. 19:4; 19:8) Jesus does allow one reason (Matt. 19:9). But God's desire and Jesus' point is that one man should be married to one woman for life. Those who cannot accept this teaching have no room for Jesus.

Those who hate others have no room for Jesus. The world is full of prejudice and hate. Jesus preached a message of love to those who hated. He told the Jews to love their enemies (Matt. 5:45). His Golden Rule message of Matt. 7:12 commands that we should treat others like we want to be treated. In our day of intolerance and hate in many circles, there is no room for Jesus.

Do you have room for Jesus? He wants you to take up your cross and follow Him (Matt. 16:24). He may want you to give up family to follow Him (Matt. 10:34). Hopefully we all have room for Jesus.

# **CLINTON CALENDAR**

Feb 23 Song Service/Fingerfoods

Mar 1 Sister Friends
Mar 22 CPR class
Apr 18-20 L2L trip

May 18 Area-Wide Youth @ Clinton

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

#### **SONG SERVICE + FINGERFOODS**

Be back this evening for our monthly singing worship and fellowship meal following. We always look forward to this time together!

#### **HANDS & FEET MINISTRY**

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: pop tarts, fruit cups, and tuna packets. A box for items is in the fover.

#### **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 was approved by the city planning commission. We look forward to our contractor, Justin Robbins with JCR Construction, beginning soon. The expanded parking lot work will happen first, then the construction on the fellowship building will begin. Please continue to be in prayer for this effort and that this new facility will aid in our work of spreading the Good News!

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

#### 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. Everyone is also asked to bring a mug for a "mug swap." Hostesses are April Holt and Ashley Webb.

#### CYC TRIP

We have a group of 33 from Clinton that will be returning this afternoon from Challenge Youth Conference in Pigeon Forge. It turned out to be a great weekend with over 12,000 in attendance from all across the United States. Thanks to everyone who attended, planned, and chaperoned this trip.

#### LADS TO LEADERS

We will continue to practice every Sunday afternoon from now until the Lads to Leaders Convention. Practice will begin with Bible Bowl, move on to Puppets, and conclude with Song Leading/Songs of Praise.

# **AREA EVENTS**

#### LADIES DAY

Rockwood Church of Christ: Mar. 1

#### AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Karns Church of Christ: Mar. 9

#### BIBLE LECTURESHIP

Freed-Hardeman University: Mar 16-20

#### 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

## PRAYER REQUESTS

#### This Week:

- Gail Sharp had to have her surgery rescheduled due to illness.
- Carolyn Stanley, Parker Stanley's wife, will have surgery within the next month.
- Oaklynn Mowery had several tests run last week.
- **Hubert Sharp** has been sick at home.
- Jodie Krech has been sick with the stomach flu.
- Cash Gonzalez is recovering from the flu.

#### Last Week:

- Henry Harwell is recovering well from a tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy.
- Bill Kesterson had successful surgery to remove skin cancer.
- Clint and Brenda Patterson are recovering from illness.
- Cole Patterson has been sick.
- Samantha Stone, Julie Priest's sister, continues to recover.
- Gene and Regina Rose have been sick at home.
- Wayne and Lois Kelly have been sick.
- Caroline, Bennett, and Joey Smith were sick but are doing better.
- Becki Bass, Julia Mowery's sister, is dealing with shingles.
- **Heather Colwell**, Carolyn Colwell's daughter, and Karen Yarber's sister, is home after being in the hospital following a seizure.

#### Shut-In:

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

Please send prayer requests and updates to

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# The Great Eternal God

By Gerald Cowan

Before the hills appeared,
Before the rivers and the seas,
Before the clouds were formed,
Before the stirring of the breeze;
Before a man was born,
Or any other living thing;
Before the rain or snow first fell,
Before the flowers of spring;
Before the paths of earth
By mortal men were trod –
Before it all, from everlasting was
The Great Eternal God.

When everything on earth
Decays and disappears,
As darkness of the night
Dissolves when daylight nears;
When all the starry universe
Burns up and fades away
With nothing left to measure time,
No sense of night or day;
When challengers and skeptics all
Lie dead beneath the sod –
Through everlasting there will be
The Great Eternal God.