

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

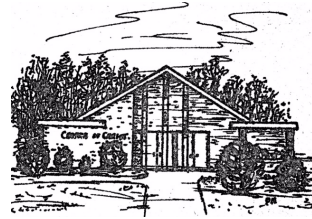
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Worship	85
Contribution	\$5166

### Sunday PM

Worship	86
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	81
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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>	Samuel Cox	Joey Smith
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Tommy Warren	Billy Humphrey
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Bradley Crider	Tim Melton
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Dale Tanner	Jody Yarber
<b>Usher:</b>	Hubert Sharp	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott	
<b>Sound Booth:</b>	Billy Fields	

## Serving Wednesday Evening

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Ben Smith
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott

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*Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025*

# When God Speaks

By Jeff Arnette

In these chapters, we see a profound shift in the narrative of Job. After the long discourse between Job and his friends, where they accuse him of hidden sin and suggest that his suffering is due to God's judgment, God Himself finally speaks. The Lord's response is both humbling and enlightening, not just for Job but for all readers of this ancient text.

The silence of Job's friends highlights an important truth: human wisdom has its limits. For thirty-seven chapters, they argued from their limited perspective, convinced that they knew the mind of God. But when God begins to speak, their words and accusations fall silent. It reminds us that in times of suffering, even the well-intentioned words of friends can be misguided. There is a deeper wisdom and plan at work, one that only God understands.

When God speaks, He doesn't give Job a direct answer to his suffering. Instead, He asks questions that point to the vastness of His creation and power. These questions reveal Job's limitations as a man and the supreme authority and knowledge of God. God is not being harsh; rather, He is gently reminding Job that there are things beyond human understanding. Like a loving father teaching a child, God shows Job—and us—that His ways are higher than ours (Isaiah 55:8-9).

In our own lives, we often seek answers, especially in times of hardship. We demand explanations from God, just as Job did. But sometimes, instead of answers, we are reminded of God's sovereignty (Haggai 2:20). It's not that He is indifferent to our pain—on the contrary, He reveals Himself to us because He cares deeply for us. Yet, His wisdom far surpasses ours. We can trust that He knows all things and works them for good (Romans 8:28).

The final reminder of God's love for us in 1 John 3:1 shows the heart of the matter. God, in His infinite wisdom and power, still chooses to call us His children. This relationship changes how we view His corrections and teachings. Even when life seems overwhelming, we can rest in the knowledge that our Father is guiding us, sometimes through questions, but always with love.

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Mar 2	L2L practice
Mar 5	Silver Saints
Mar 22	CPR class
Mar 30	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Apr 5	Sister Friends
Apr 18-20	L2L trip
May 18	Area-Wide Youth @ Clinton
July 6-9	VBS

### SILVER SAINTS

The monthly gathering of the Silver Saints will be this Wednesday at 10:00am here at the building. Everyone is invited to come, silver or not!

### 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 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.

### AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

The next area-wide youth devo will be next Sunday after, Mar. 9 at 3:30 at the Karns church. Please let Samuel Cox know if you would like to go NO LATER than Wednesday of this week.

### SISTER FRIENDS

The next gathering of Sister Friends will be at the Pigman home at Saturday, April 5 at 2:00pm

### CLINTON VBS

Everyone mark your calendars for our 2025 VBS July 6 - 9. This is one of our most anticipated weeks of the year! See Chris or Hannah Cox with any questions or to be involved.

### LADS TO LEADERS

L2L practice will be today at 4:30!

### CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Excavation is scheduled to begin this week. The new parking area will be raised and smoothed, then a layer of gravel added. The footers in preparation for the fellowship hall building will be poured shortly afterwards. The parking lot will be paved when construction of the building is complete so as not to damage the new asphalt with construction traffic, so we will have a gravel parking lot for short time.

If you do not have any mobility issues that would prevent you from walking on gravel, please reserve the remaining paved spots at the rear of the building for those that need them.



## AREA EVENTS

### 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:

- **Liam Baker**, Cindy Williams' 2 week old great-grandson, was able to come home from the NICU at Children's Hospital. Cindy was a recent visitor from Florida.
- **Lauren McElroy** has been sick at home.
- **Leslie Price** has also been sick.
- **Ruby Little**, mother of Michelle Ayers, is in need of our prayers as she continues to deal with the passing of her son, Sean.
- **Dana Worthington** is in the hospital at Methodist Medical Center in Oak Ridge with blood clots in her legs and pneumonia.

### Last 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.

### Sympathy:

- To **Dwight & Doris Nicholson** in the passing of their grandson, **Justin Burnell** and wife **Simone Mele**, in an automobile accident. Justin was the brother of **Meghann Nicholson**.

### Shut-In:

- 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.

### NEW SOUND ROOM

A new audio/visual room is being built at the rear of the auditorium. Upon its completion, the old sound booth will be removed, flooring repaired, and additional seating added to increase the capacity of the auditorium. This project has been donated by Dale and Lesley Mowery in memory of Eric Mowery. Thanks to Bryan Brown and Chris Goodman from the Lake City congregation for working diligently on this project.

### MARCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

An updated March worship schedule is available on the podium at the rear of the auditorium. Several changes had to be made, so if you got a copy of the schedule last week, be sure to pick up an updated copy today.

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