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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study 117 Worship Contribution \$6295

Sunday PM

Worship 65

Wednesday

Bible Study 77



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 Sona Leaders: Ben Smith Tommy Warren Opening Prayer: WT Crider Samuel Cox Lord's Table: Don Scott Stump Smith Closing Prayer: Doug Broadway Steve Smith

Bible Readina: Jim Ashworth Usher: Tim Nygard **Announcements:** Clint Patterson Sound Booth: Billy Fields

Serving Wednesday Evening

Sona Leader: Sinaina

Invitation: Richard Bentley **Announcements:** Don Scott

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Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025

Be Thankful to Him

By Bill Brandstatter

Thanksgiving means a lot of turkey for a lot of folks. There is too much of an emphasis on the material and not the spiritual. This Thanksgiving our emphasis should be on the spiritual aspects of Thanksgiving, not so much the physical.

I am thankful for all the physical possessions that I have, but what would happen if I lost them all? (Job 1:14,15) If it were not for God, I would have nothing. (Acts 17:28) Is there anything you are so thankful for that you would shout about it? The Psalmist did.

I am thankful for what God gives and has given me. This seems to be the point of this Psalm. In spite of the fact that Israelites were provided for by God; nonetheless, they were not grateful, but complained. (Numbers 20:1-13) Ps. 107:1 says: "O, give thanks unto the Lord." Today, as members of the church, the Israel of God, we should be very thankful. (Gal. 6:16)

I am thankful for what God can do for me in the future, Psa. 100:5 God's Word condemns the sin of ingratitude. To be like Christ we must be thankful. He offered thanks for food in Luke 24:30. At the tomb of Lazarus, Jesus said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me." (John 11:41) This is the whole point of this Psalm...thanksgiving. (vs 4)

I am thankful for Who God is. Psa. 100:2, 3 Webster says: "Forgetfulness of or poor return for kindness received: ungratefulness." Nine of ten lepers whom Jesus healed did not return "to give glory to God." (Luke 17:11-19) Paul stated that some would be unthankful. (2 Tim 3:1,2) Lack of proper training has caused ingratitude, leading some to mistakenly believe that the world owes them a living. (Gen. 3:19; 2 Thess. 3:10)

I am thankful for who we are. "We are his people and the sheep of His pasture" (Psa. 100:3b) God has a people who are His. (Heb. 8:10)

I am grateful for being a child of God. John writes, "What manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we should be called the children of God." (1 Jn. 3:1)

I am grateful for the privilege and honor of being a member of the church for which Christ died and purchased with his own blood. (Acts 20:28) I am thankful for being a part of the family of God (Eph. 3:15). What about you?

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Nov 26 Thanks-Singing

Nov 30 Singing/No Fingerfoods

Dec 3 Silver Saints Dec 12 Sister Friends

Dec 13 Youth Holiday Party
Dec 14 Morning Pointe Singing

Dec 31 New Year's Eve Game Night

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

We will have a special time of prayer, singing, and Scripture reading this Wednesday, Nov. 26 during the 7:00pm Bible Study hour.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

If you have changes in your contact info (email, phone, etc), please be sure to let Joey Smith know so it can be updated in the church directory.

VISITATION & OUTREACH

Our weekly visitation sheets will be available this afternoon. If you would like a version emailed to you, please see Arthur Pigman.

MINISTRY NEEDS

- Our Pantry: canned vegetables
- Hands & Feet Ministry: pudding cups, chips, tuna
- Isaiah 117 House: https://a.co/eW2HQbS. Gift Cards: Amazon, Walmart, Door Dash, Rack Room Shoes, Old Navy; Items: t-shirts (men's and women's, all sizes), hoodies/crewneck sweatshirts (all sizes), sweatpants/joggers (all sizes), infant/toddler/kid-size winter clothes, duffle bags
- North Clinton Elementary: if you are a Food City shopper, please consider adding NCES to your purchases for School Bucks. There is also a continual need for socks and underwear for the children's clothing closet.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The form for the rear wall has been set and the concrete will be poured this week. Once this wall is completed, the steel form of the building will be erected. The building will be taking shape soon!

CYC 2026

Challenge Youth Conference will be coming up February 20-22. We need to order our tickets before the end of December, so please let Joey Smith know within the next month if you plan to go. The cost to attend is \$100 per person and will need to be paid before a ticket can be ordered.

SISTER FRIENDS

Join us Friday, December 12, at 7pm at the building for a relaxing movie during the busy holiday season. You don't have to cook or shop for this event! Popcorn and hot cocoa will be provided. (And you can wear your PJs if you'd like!)

YOUTH HOLIDAY PARTY

Our annual Christmas gathering for our young people will be Saturday, Dec. 13 at 4:00pm here at the building. Dinner will be provided. We will also work on our annual Cookie Project. Everyone is asked to bring:

- A party snack or dessert
- A batch of cookies
- A small gift to exchange for Secret Santa (it can be something homemade or something from around the house!)

AREA EVENTS

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

LeConte Center: Feb 20-22

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- Charlotte Spickard, Billy Fields' grandmother, has started showing signs of multiple organ failure. Her hospice nurse estimates she may have 1-2 weeks left. Please be in prayer for her transition and for her family.
- Lynda Goucher will have a cardiac ablation Nov. 24. Please pray that the procedure goes well with no complications and that it solves her atrial fibrillation issues.
- Rachel Fields is feeling better and is doing well..
- Melissa Rogers had to go to the ER on Wednesday.
- **Dwight Nicholson** had to go to the ER but is now home.
- Jason Caudle has been sick at home.
- Rick Caudle has been dealing with sickness.
- George, a member at Claxton, is battling leukemia.
- **Graclynn Rose**, Kurt & Stephanie Simon's first grandchild, was born last week. She was 7lbs 5oz!
- Henry Harwell has been sick but is feeling much better.

Last Week:

- Stacey Jackson is now at home after a stay at Tennova North.
- Wilson Gadd is now home from the hospital.
- Gary Henderson is in rehab and doing better. Gary and family would like to thank you for the lovely card, your prayers and concerns.
- **Charlie Rogers** has started pre-transplant cell growth and extraction is scheduled for Monday. Hospital admission will be December 3 with transplant happening December 9.
- Janella Melton has been at home with bronchitis.
- Ella Pointer, aunt of Chris Cox, suffered a heart attack and is in Saint Thomas hospital in Nashville.

Sympathy:

To Betty Gossett in the passing of her brother, James Morris.

Shut-In:

- Norris Health & Rehab Polly Keck
- Courtyards Oak Ridge Laura Waldron

Please send prayer requests and updates to

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Bible Brain Twister

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible. It was a lulu, kept people looking so hard for facts, and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books are not capitalized, but the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others, it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of the 17, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now, for there really are the names of 17 books of the Bible in these sentences. One preacher found 16 books in 20 minutes. It took him three weeks to find the seventeenth one.