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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

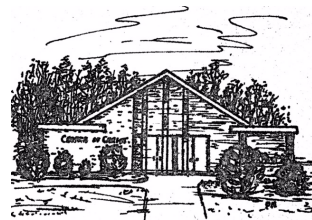
Bible Study	92
Worship	132
Contribution	\$5832

Sunday PM

Worship	60
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Wednesday

Bible Study	67
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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

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
Song Leaders:	Tommy Warren	—
Opening Prayer:	Samuel Cox	—
Lord's Table:	Chris Cox	—
Closing Prayer:	Doug Broadway	—
Bible Reading:	Henson Craig	
Usher:	Chuck Kilpatrick	
Announcements:	Stump Smith	
Sound Booth:	Billy Fields	

Serving Wednesday Evening

Song Leader:	Samuel Cox
Invitation:	
Announcements:	Stump Smith

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Celebrating 83 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2026

Where Did It Come From?

By Ron Bartenan

A five-year-old girl from the city was visiting her grandparents on their farm during harvest time. She watched in wonder as they picked produce from their garden. The grandparents, thinking to use this experience as a means of teaching her about God's provisions, let her shuck some corn and break some beans, explaining to her that the corn and beans were blessings from God. She enjoyed doing something different for a while, but after a few minutes she looked at her grandmother and said, "You know you could buy these things in the grocery store, don't you?"

Such reactions from little children amuse us as we realize that the limited experience of children may not allow them to understand where the things they take for granted actually come from. Milk comes from jugs in the grocery store. Beans and corn come from the produce section. There is little if any thought as to how they got there. While their lack of understanding may amuse us, it is sad to realize that adults are oftentimes devoid of understanding. They take their environment for granted, with little or no thought as to how it got here. An evolutionary explanation becomes acceptable because that makes us without obligation to anyone. Even those who see God as Creator are prone to forget that He is the giver of every good and perfect gift (James 1:17). God warned the people of Israel through the words of Moses:

"When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God in not keeping his commandments and his judgments, and his statutes which I command thee this day: lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; then thine heart is lifted up and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;... and thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God, for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth..." (Deuteronomy 8:10-14, 17-18a).

Isn't it easy to forget where it all came from? After all, we sweat and toil that we might enjoy the fruits of our labors yet forget that we are dependent upon God for our every breath. What I have is mine (my family, my house, my car, my clothes, etc.). In actuality, we are but users and stewards of what God has provided for us. He declares, "Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the

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CLINTON CALENDAR

Aug 30 Song Service/Fingerfoods
Sept 9 Silver Saints Picnic
Sept 14 Ladies Bible Study begins

WATER LINE BREAK

We have a water line leak at the church building that has necessitated cutting the water off to the building. A repairman will be here Monday. Due to no water in the building, we will have morning worship only today.

SILVER SAINTS PICNIC

The Silver Saints are having a picnic at Norris Dam State Park on Sept 9. There are two lists in the foyer: one for attendance at the picnic and one for food. Please sign up and join in!

SCHOOL COLLECTION PROJECT

We are collecting socks and underwear for North Clinton Elementary and Andersonville Elementary Schools. Sometimes the younger children have accidents and the schools don't have clothes for them. We want to help clothe these students. A collection box is in the foyer.

MINISTRY NEEDS

- **Our Pantry:** small boxes of saltines or crackers
- **Hands & Feet Ministry:** pop tarts, single serve chips, beanie weenies, monetary donations; if you donate items to KARM, you can give "credit" to the Clinton congregation and we will receive gift cards to hand out.
- **Isaiah 117 House:** Gift Cards for Amazon, Walmart, Door Dash, Rack Room Shoes, Walmart, Food City
- **North Clinton Elementary:** children's socks and underwear; Food City shoppers, please consider adding NCES to your purchases for School Bucks.

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

SPEAKING SCHEDULE

Preaching Today: Clint Patterson

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, you're invited to join us for a year-long Digging Deep: The Word of God Bible study! We will begin on Monday, Sept 14, and then meet on the first Monday of each month. If you'd like to participate, please let Becca Fields know so a study book can be ordered for you. The cost of the book is \$23. We'd love to have you join us as we grow together in God's Word!

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

We passed the electrical inspection, so work on final insulation and drywall has begun.

We continue to set aside contributions that go directly toward the building fund. If you wish to give towards the project, please see the elders or give your contribution to Joey Smith.

AUSTRALIA MISSION

One of Andrew Young's pressing needs for the mission work in Australia is a van to transport church members. If you would like to make a contribution towards Andrew's work, please see Dale Mowery or Joey Smith.

AREA EVENTS

POLISHING THE PULPIT

Sevierville Convention Center: Aug 14-20

TENNESSEE STATE LECTURESHIP

Embassy Suites - Parkside: Sept 11-13

TRANSFORM LADIES CONFERENCE

LeConte Center: Sept 11-13

YOUTH AREA-WIDE RETREAT

Hillbrook Christian Camp: Sept 25-27

AREA-WIDE SINGING

Karns Church of Christ: Oct 2

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Doris Nicholson** received biopsy results that showed she has a different type of cancer than originally thought. It is a very slow-growing cancer that might not require surgery. The surgeon will make a decision at her Aug 24 appointment.
- **Joe Patton** has been sick with a virus.
- **Jeremiah Patton** suffered bruised ribs.
- **Janella Melton** has been sick with a respiratory illness.
- **Glenda Williams**, Betty Gossett's sister, is recovering from a stent procedure.
- **Sarah Moorey's father** suffered a heart attack. He has had another stent put in.
- **Joseph & Traci Sipple** and family have moved to temporary accommodations as they await a new dwelling in September.

Last Week:

- **Serena McGill** has surgery scheduled for Sept 18.
- **Thelma Shepherd** has an upcoming surgery scheduled. She has also requested prayers for her son and a difficult decision he has to make.
- **Joy Bodenstein**, Betty Gossett's daughter-in-law Jamie Gossett's mother, is having health problems. She has had a medication change and also needed an ablation.
- **Lee Herrington**, Gail Sharp's cousin, had some complications and his dialysis port has been removed. His surgery has been postponed for 4 to 6 weeks.

Sympathy:

- To **Rudy Thorbjornsen** in the unexpected passing of his friend, **James Horton**.
- To **Jessica Heatherly Hazel** on the tragic and sudden passing of her husband, **Ben Hazel**.

Shut-In:

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

Please send prayer requests and updates to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com or give to Joey Smith in writing.

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fowls of the mountains; and the wild beasts of the field are mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine, and the fulness thereof" (Psalms 50:10-12).

When God's nation, Israel, forgot where their blessings came from, God reminded them by withholding rain from their land and giving their land to foreign nations. Our nation, we are told, is no longer a Christian nation, overlooking the fact that our forefathers established this nation and its government upon Christian principles, which have been a blessing to us and the world. If we forget this fact, and forget God as our Benefactor, should we be surprised at an economic crisis? He tells us in Psa. 50:22, "Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver." And again: "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

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