

Disciples of Christ

# **Disciple News**—

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## **SERVING THE LORD:**

Tim Wessley Pastor

Debbie Reith Music Ministry

Leslie Watts

**Administrative Assistant** 

Meagan Johnson Board Chair

Christa Atchison
Board 1st Vice-Chair

Jennifer Hinton

**Board 2nd Vice-Chair** 

## **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

By Committee **Property** 

Blayne Paxton **Stewardship** 

Andy Engelhart **Worship** 

Carol Hinton Sharlotte Anderson **CWF** 

Chad and Lindsey Jolley **Evangelism** 

Jennifer Hinton - Interim Church In Society

> Kenny Royal **Membership**

Leslie Watts
Christian Education

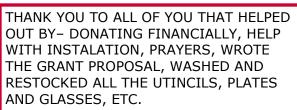
By Committee Memorial





# KITCHEN REMODEL IS NEARLY COMPLETE

ALL NEW:
CABINETS
COUNTER TOPS
FLOORING
FREEZER
REFRIGERATOR
ICE MAKER
DISHWASHER
SINKS



WE RECEIVED A \$14,000+ GRANT THROUGH THE TORCH PROGRAM- TO HELP WITH THIS PROJECT BECAUSE OF OUR EVERY MONDAY FEEDING PROGRAM.

THANKS TO ALL THAT HELPED



# **Thoughts, Prayers and Concerns**

# **Concerns and Celebrations**

Prayers for these individuals as they fight cancer:

Ginger Baker Mike Simmons Ken Davis Jessica Brown Vonna Young Makaila Wise Dennis Jones Ashlee Brown Charlotte TeRee Davis Marlene Griner Michelle Glenda Weter Mike McIntyre David Clickner Sherri Royal's Daughter-in-Law's Brother, Jacob Andy Engelhart's cousin, Naomi Katie Brown

Prayers for Christa Reel for health issues.

Prayers for the family of **Vonna Young** who passed away. Prayers for comfort during this difficult time.

Prayers for the **family of one of your followers**.

Prayers for **Elaine Frank**, **wife of Dave Frank**. Prayers for healing and comfort.

Prayers for **Erica Dickey**, who had surgery on Nov. 24th. Prayers for a speedy recovery.

Prayers for the family of **Lance Austin** on his passing. Continued prayers for **Ronna Rhoads.** Ronna spent some more time in the hospital with blood clots.

Continued prayers for **Darren Wallace, Dan Wallace's brother**, who had surgery to remove a mass on his brain. Prayers for healing and that doctors find the right treatment options.

Continued prayers for **Tina Wessley** for some lower back issues.

Prayers for Prayers for the Johnson Kiddos' Grandma Kathy that she may heal.

Continued prayers

Continued prayers for **Christa Reel**, **her son and their families** as they go through some difficult times.

Prayers for Prayers for the **Community Café** and all of the hungry people it is feeding.

Prayers for answers for this country's gun violence.

Prayers for the unspoken needs of God's Children.

Prayers for those dealing with natural disasters as well as those in harm's way of wars and hatred.

Continued prayers for our country.

Prayers for our **Chi Rho Youth Group and Puppet Ministry**.

Prayers for the names written on our Starfish.

Prayers for those struggling with mental illness.

**Congrats! - Claire Jolley** took first place in the conference wrestling match.

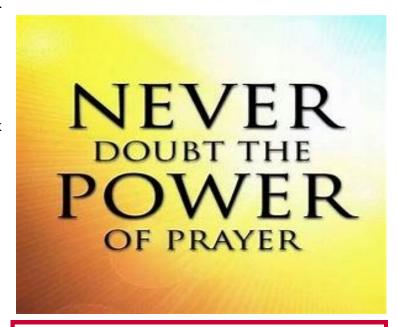
# **Ongoing Concerns**

Kennedi Watts, Sharlotte Anderson, Lucy Nilson, Kyle Engelhart, Avis' Daughter in Law's Sister, Michelle. Jack and Alice Leisure, Helen Famuliner, Keegan Huff Nancy Stanford, Sondra Schweighauser, Our Church, Our Church Leaders, Our Pastor, Our Community, Our Youth Group, Our Starfish

# **Shut in Concerns**

## **Kristene Brock**

Ridge Crest Nursing Home 706 S. Mitchell, Warrensburg, MO 64093



## PRAYERS FOR OUR TROOPS

If you have a family member, friend or loved one who is serving active duty in the military, please contact the office to have them included in our ongoing prayers. If available, please provide us with a picture and any pertinent information you wish to share, such as: name, relationship to you, family, where they are serving, what capacity they are serving in, etc...

# Please keep the following troops in our prayers:

Trent Crawford, Cesar Gutierrez, Dylan Wilson, Brandon Robertson, Weston Miekley, Gordon Snethen, Cathleen Gutierrez, Chase Michael Crelly, Gavin Wells

# **Birthdays**



| 12/3<br>12/6<br>12/7<br>12/10 | Mary Cupp<br>Penny Altis<br>Sondra Schweighauser<br>Emily Miller |
|-------------------------------|--|
| 12/11                         | Avis Compton   |
| 12/18                         | Annette Meyers   |
| 12/19                         | Holly Howe   |
| 12/21                         | Bev Dickey   |
| 12/22                         | Gary Beamer  |
| 12/22                         | Rickey Lamphere  |
| 12/22                         | Christa Reel   |
| 12/29                         | Dixie Birge  |
| 12/30                         | Scott Jones  |
| 12/30                         | Patty May  |
| 12/30                         | Alex Watts   |
| 12/30                         | Xavier Watts   |
|                               |  |



# **Anniversaries**

| 12/1  | Brian & Kathy Hetheringtor |
|-------|----------------------------|
| 12/4  | Steve & Penny Altis        |
| 12/23 | Scott & Sherri DeHart      |
| 12/29 | Kent & Alice Lower         |



# Finding the Way Back to Mayberry

A Bible Study based on The Andy Griffith Show



Tuesdays @ 10:30 a.m. InBetweeners' Classroom Come and join the fun! Pastor Tim will facilitate the study. Both Men and Women are welcome!



# **GAME NIGHT DECEMBER 26, 2025**

STARTS AT 6pm IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL ANOTHER GREAT
OPPORTUNITY TO
FELLOWSHIP WITH
YOUR CHURCH FAMILY. SNACK AND DRINK COME FOR THE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP. No Betty in the nursery

# **AMEN GROUP**

On the first Saturday of each month, our men gather for breakfast, fellowship and a good time. Next Meeting - Dec. 6th @ 8am at Dietz Family Buffet. Cost is \$11 and includes breakfast buffet and drink. All men are welcome to join us for Food, Fun and Fellowship

# tellowship dinner

December Fellowship Dinner is on Sunday, Dec. 21st. This is our Kitchen Grand Opening We will be serving Ham, Baked Potatoes, Rolls Tea, Water, Coffee. Church Family -Bring your favorite side. Come help us celebrate the new kitchen.

Lots of food and fellowship.

Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study

**Every** Wednesday Morning **@** 11:00 a.m. Not meeting on Dec. 24 or Dec. 31

# MONTHLY BOARD MEETING **BOARD MEETING IS THE SECOND**

MONDAY OF EACH MONTH **EVERYONE IS WELCOME** TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

**NEXT BOARD MEETING IS** December 8th AT 6 PM

(now meeting in the Fellowship Hall

**CONTACT BOARD CHAIR** 

MEAGAN JOHNSON WITH QUESTIONS

# **ELDERS' MEETING**

Second Tuesday of each month. @ 5:30pm in the **InBetweeners** Sunday School Classroom Next meeting will be

December 9th



# Annual Thanksgiving meal prepared by the Elders followed by our annual Congregational Meeting

Over 100 Church
Family Members enjoyed a
Thanksgiving feast prepared
by our Elders.
Following the wonderful meal our
distinguished Board Chair
Meagan Johnson led us in our
annual Congregational Meeting.
We voted on the 2026 budget
and the 2026 slate of officers.
Both passed unanimously.



# Staff Love Offering

We at

Clinton Christian Church are blessed beyond measure to have such a wonderful church staff!
If you wish to contribute to the

# Staff Love Offering

this Christmas Season,
we will be collecting from now
through December 21st.
Please pickup an envelope
marked

"Love Fund Offering"
on the table at the
back of the sanctuary.
Once you seal your envelope,
there will be a container on the
table for you to put
your envelope in.
If you write a check,
please make it out to cash.

# important upcoming events

-Cookie Thon: December 13<sup>th</sup> 9am-noon in The Fellowship Hall - Cookies will be \$7.50/pound; Please help by providing 9 dozen/3 batches of homemade cookies (decorated if possible). Have cookies to the church by Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> by 12pm.

> -Senior Center Christmas bags are due by December 14th

-Poinsettas. Bring in on December 21st. Forms will be in the office to dedicate one in memory of someone.

-Sign up sheets are now available for the new year.

Holy Grounds, Greeters,

Worship Leader (1st quarter) and Deacons.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY NEW YEAR



On November 2nd, Jesus Jams, our
Puppet Praise Band,
performed a song based on John Denver's
"Thank God I'm a Country Boy"
and invited Pastor Tim to join them on stage.
It was called
"Thank God I'm a Preacher Boy"

After the performance they gifted Pastor Tim with a shirt that reads Thank God I'm a Preacher Boy Thank You for making Pastor Tim feel special.



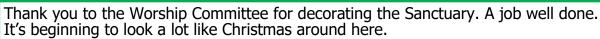
# December Chi Rho Events

- 12/7 Decorating cookies for the Cookie-Thon Sharlotte is going to help us back cookies and then we will decorate them for the annual Cookie-Thon!
- 12/14 Making Christmas Cards Who doesn't love getting a Christmas card? We will make Christmas cards for our wonderful church family!
- 12/21 Carols & Cocoa Be there NO LATER than 3:45pm! Wear festive clothing! We will be caroling at Adair Village, Jefferson Gardens & Clinton Healthcare & Rehab. Then we will come back to the Fellowship Hall for cocoa and cookies!

12/28 — Christmas Party — 5pm-8pm; bring a bag of candy for the candy salad (either fruity or chocolate) & wear pjs! Feel free to bring a pillow & blanket. We will watch a movie, have snacks and play some games!









cookies

Mark your calendars!
The cookie-thon is coming
Saturday, December 13th!
We are asking members to bake
3 batches (1 batch=3 dozen) and
deliver to the church by 1 p.m. on
Friday, December 12th.
This is an event many members

This is an event many members of the community look forward to! Please help make it a huge success!







# **DECEMBER OUTREACH**

We are collecting Kleenex and paper towels to help support the organizations we sponsor. Please help those less

fortunate during the winter season.

# WORSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

- 1. Opening prayer Debbie Reith opened in prayer around 12:05pm.
- 2. Pastor appreciation month recap! Great job and Pastor Tim and Tina Wessley are so appreciative of our Church Family.
- 3. Veterans Day coming up this Sunday!! slides during service and timeframe---Placing this during the Youth Spotlight timeframe in service this Sunday. Paula and team to place Veterans Day Banners -4 of them in the Sanctuary for Sunday Service.
- 4. Worship Directory update for 2025. Decorations to be completed by the Worship Committee.
- 5. Worship Leaders/Greeters list for rest of the year. Elaine in November and Pat in December.
- 6. Thanksgiving: Cornucopia (new one but smaller) will be placed on back table to leave room for kids up front. Other decorations may be present for the Thanksgiving Sunday Service.
- 7. Advent: Holy Spirit banner and Christmas Tree placements and other decorations on November 25, 2025, at 12:30pm. Worship Committee members to help.
- 8. Advent Wreath Lighters: Will ask Andy to contact the following families to serve December:  $1^{\text{st}}$  Sunday Nov 30th = open and Christa Atchison and Family on Dec  $7^{\text{th}}$  and Dec  $14^{\text{th}}$  Leslie Watts and Family with Bev and Rick. Open Dec  $21^{\text{st}}$  and Christmas Eve Service Dec  $24^{\text{th}}$ .
- 9. Christmas Eve: Wednesday, December 24, at 5:30 pm (communion and candle-light). Need 2 Elders and 2 Deacons for Communion during this service.

10.Other topics – Nativity Scene

Closing prayer – Andy closed in prayer around 12:55pm

Next meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in December (2<sup>nd</sup>) at 12pm. Church Office.

Thanks, Andy Engelhart Worship Chairperson



# **COMMUNITY CAFE**

The Community Café is a feeding outreach that Clinton Christian Church took under its wing some years ago.

We hand out anywhere from 100 to 140 meals (drive thru style) each week to community members in need of food.

No qualifying, no hoops to jump through... just food.

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The Community Cafe Calendar for October is:

December 1 - Deacons

Host: Matt Jones and Meagan Johnson

December 8 - GVMH Host: By Committee

December 15 - Elders

Host: Elders

December 22 - CIS Committee

Host: Jennifer Hinton

December 29 - Holy Rosary

Host: The Lowes



On Wednesday, November 12th, a group of 14 dedicated members of our Church Family gathered decorated
Community Café to-go boxes with scripture to be used to hand out meals at our weekly feeding program, Community Café.
Thank you to all that gave up their time during a busy season to help out.
Liked minded and of the same Spirit.

OUR DECORATED TO GO BOXES FOR COMMUNITY CAFE





# **OCTOBER TOTALS**

November 3 - CIS Committee - Served 116

Host: Pat Bouse

November 10 - GVMH - Served 129

Host: By Committee

November 17 - Elders - Served 189

Host: Pat Bouse

November 24 - CIS Committee - Served 152

Host: Jennifer Hinton

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## **Weekly Schedule**

## **Sundays**

8:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Puppets 9:30 a.m. Choir 10:15 a.m. Worship Service 5:00 p.m. Chi Rho Youth Group

## **Mondays**

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Prayer 4:30 p.m. Community Café

## **Tuesdays**

10:30 a.m.
Back to Mayberry
Bible Study
3:15 p.m.
CIA Youth Bible Study

## Wednesdays

11:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Prayer Group

## **Church Office Hours**

9:00 a.m.to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** 

# **OUR ADVENT THEME FOR 2025 IS**

# BUILD IT AND HE WILL COME

First Sunday of Advent - November 30

Second Sunday of Advent - December 7

Third Sunday of Advent - December 14

Fourth Sunday of Advent - December 21

Christmas Eve Service - December 24 @ 5:30pm

Once again this year we will be collecting new and gently used blankets as our offering to the Christ Child at the Christmas Eve service to keep our community warm.

Grab a copy of the Advent Devotional for 2025 written and produced by Deb Mills (Thanks Deb)



# December 2025

Dated Material



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We livestream our 10:15 Sunday service
there is a link on our website

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