Disciples of Christ

Disciple News-

60+ people came to the

Ash Wednesday Service on February 22.

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SERVING THE LORD:

Tim Wessley Pastor

Debbie Reith Music Ministry

Blayne Paxton **Board Chair**

Matt Jones
Board 1st Vice-Chair

Meagan Johnson
Board 2nd Vice-Chair

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

By Committee **Property**

Nina Sisk **Stewardship**

Andy Engelhart **Worship**

MaryAnn Van Dyke Lisa Wallace **CWF**

Kathy Hetherington **Evangelism**

Annette Meyers
Church In Society

Sharlotte Anderson Jerome Anderson **Membership**

Jody Anderson
Christian Education

1 Christine Craig
Memorial

The Sweetest Story Ever Told



Everyone was anointed with ashes



The Trigger Object this year is Black Licorice Nips

Each attendee received a "Trigger Object"
Each time they see or touch their "Trigger Object"
They are to remind themselves that they are sinners and they need a savior.

Following the Ash Wednesday Service we were treated to a Pancake and Sausage Feast sponsored by the Christian Education Committee and prepared by our youth. Very tasty.



Thoughts, Prayers and Concerns

Concerns and Celebrations

Prayers for these individuals as they fight cancer:

John Krewson, Pastor Tim's friend from school

Tim Whitmore, pastor at 1st Christian in Holden

Mike Holliger

Harold Hetherington

TJ Palmer

Suzanne Ammons

Jessica Brown

Dennis Jones

Keri Smith

Jim Kindall

Lorie, Pastor Tim's high school friend

Erica (Vicki Kaufman's friend)

Sherri Royal's Daughter-in-Law's Brother, Jacob

Brian Purvis

Gary Grenzke

Ashley Powell

Andy Engelhart's cousin, Naomi

Prayers for Jessica, a friend of Elaine

Vonspreckelsen. Jessica is going through a dark valley of grief, illness, and being overwhelmed with cares in her life.

Prayers for **the family of Cheryl Craig**, Christine Craig's sister-in-law and Mary Cupp's business partner, who passed away.

Prayers of Thanksgiving for **Michael Holliger**. He has completed cancer treatments and his cancer is in remission.

Prayers for **Dennis, Alice Leisure's Son.** He was on a ventilator for 38 day in an induced coma. He is doing much better, sitting up, eating and talking. Thank you for all your prayers thus far.

Prayers for **Don Minich.** Don had a cardiac event and is in the hospital. Pray for healing.

Prayers for **Chuck Hinton** He spent a couple of days in the hospital.

Prayers for **Freda Engelhart.** She has had some heart issues and spent some time in the hospital. Pray for a clear diagnosis and treatment..

Prayers for Mary Lou Harrelson, Paula Jones' Mom. She is rehabbing at Clinton Healthcare.

Prayers for **Tina Wessley's Dad, Bill**. He has chosen to have hospice care.

Continued prayers for those people named on our Starfish. Pray that God will intervene in their relationship with Jesus.

Ongoing Concerns

Sharlotte Anderson, June Dehn, Walt Reinhard, Lucy Nilson, Kyle Engelhart, Avis' Daughter in Law's Sister, Michelle. Jack and Alice Leisure, Helen Famuliner Our Church, Our Church Leaders, Our Pastor, Our Community, Our Youth Group, Our Starfish

Shut in Concerns

Kristine Brock

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

Evelyn Weber and Fred Eaglesfield

Lincoln Community Care Center, 205 Timberline Drive, Lincoln, MO 65338

CONGRATULATIONS

to

CHARLIE TOWNSEND

on being honored as

ELDER EMERITUS

during the February 19th Worship Service.

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THE YEARS OF SERVICE AND DEDICATION YOU GAVE TO YOUR CHURCH FAMILY.



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...

they are serving in, etc... Please keep the following troops

in our prayers:

Cesar Gutierrez, Dylan Wilson, Dameon Skaggs, Brandon Robertson, Weston Miekley, Gordon Snethen, Cathleen Gutierrez

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Birthdays



3/1 3/2	Ruth Few Jim Arnold
3/3	David Young
3/7	Sherri DeHart
3/9	Isabella Wessley
3/10	Rita Winburn
3/15	Tina Wessley
3/17	Jim Butler
3/18	Glenn Gover
3/24	David Barnett
3/24	Matt Johnson
3/25	Deb Mills
3/31	Bruce Engelhart



Anniversaries

3/6 Jerry & Rita Winburn 3/10 Judy & David Gann 3/29 Kenny & Sherri Royal



AMEN GROUP



On the first Saturday of each month, our men gather for breakfast, fellowship and a good time.

For more information contact Steve Baker

Next Meeting March 4 @ 8am

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

BOARD MEETING IS THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH* EVERYONE IS WELCOME

TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS

NEXT BOARD MEETING IS March 13 AT 6 PM

CONTACT BOARD CHAIR BLAYNE PAXTON
WITH QUESTIONS

Seekers Bible Study is a women's Bible Study that meets every Tuesday morning at 11am.

All ladies are welcome to attend.

They are currently studying the Book of James.

Contact Patty May with questions or for

more information.

CLINTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH ELDERS

want to assist, support, and encourage the CCC congregation.

They want to be very inclusive to all members.

The Elders wish to be made aware of all members' and visitors' needs so they can further serve as spiritual leaders of our church.

ELDERS MEET THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 5:30 P.M.

NEXT ELDERS' MEETING IS TUESDAY, MARCH 14

GAME NIGHT IS BACK IN FULL FORCE

FEBRUARY GAME NIGHT
IS FRIDAY, MARCH 3rd
(due to February being a short month)
IT STARTS AT 6pm WITH A
LIGHT MEAL OF PIZZA.
BRING SNACKS OR DESSERT
IF YOU WANT
FOLLOWING THE MEAL
THE GAMES WILL BEGIN.

MARCH GAME NIGHT
WILL BE
FRIDAY, MARCH 31st
THE MENU HAS NOT
BEEN SET YET
BUT WILL BE ANNOUNCED
PRIOR TO THAT DATE.
OF COURSE EVERYONE IS
WELCOME TO GAME NIGHT

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Worship Committee met on Feb 2, 2023 with 7 members present along with Pastor Tim and Blayne Paxton Board Chairperson.

We opened the meeting at 4:10 pm in the Church Office with prayer.

- 1. We discussed Sanctuary updates including decorations and the new camera installation. We now have our Lenten Banners up in the Sanctuary. The Holy Spirit (red and yellow wavy ribbons hanging to move with the airflow from the vents) is also up in the Sanctuary.
- A. The new camera installation discussion is proceeding. Worship Committee members are in agreement to purchase the camera and work on the installation, however we are awaiting the presentation to the Church Board as the cost of the project is over \$1,000.
- 2. Upcoming Events! Valentines Day and Ash Wednesday services. We discussed a way to decorate and how to show our love to our congregation during the Feb 12th service. Our Children's Group leaders are looking at a way for the kids to be involved during that Sunday service. Ash Wednesday Service will be Feb 22nd and we are discussing with the Children's Group Leaders on the possibility of a pancake/sausage light supper prior to the Ash Wednesday Service.
- 3. Start of Lenten Season--Feb 26th to start with our Lenten Candles in the sanctuary.
- 4. Easter---we will be having a "Sonrise" Service that morning per Pastor Tim! Looking at a Prayer Vigil opportunity for our congregation on Good Friday via a 12 hour session before the service starts..
- 5. Candle Lighters: if Bree Smith is not present during the Sunday worship service, the plan is to have the children's leader that day pick two children to help light candles during the prelude. If not, Pastor Tim is okay with lighting candles.
- 6. Pastor Tim has requested a vacation day on Sunday April 23, 2023. The Worship Committee will look to fill the pulpit that Sunday. Debbie Reith our Choir/Music Director has requested a vacation day on a Sunday as well on April 16, 2023. The Worship Committee will plan to find an organist/pianist to fill in that day
- 7. Directory is up to date with our Worship Committee information. Andy Engelhart to present during announcements on March 12, 2023 during the Worship Service an educational moment on what the Worship Committee is called to do for the Clinton Christian Church and some brief insights to our discussions so far this year! Welcoming any Church members to attend our meetings as guests or join us this year or in 2024 and in the years to come.

Pastor Tim closed the meeting with prayer. 4:45 pm.

Next meeting is March 2, 2023 at the Church.

Thanks, Andrew Engelhart, Worship Committee Chair



Congratulations to our new members (from L to R)

Josh Ducey, Markus Oliver, Jordan Oliver, Mark Oliver and Emilie Oliver. They all came forward during our February 19th Worship Service. If you see them, say "Hi" and introduce yourself.

Delivering Meals to Those in Need



It is time to deliver meals in March for the Clinton Senior Center.

Our church has committed to serve "Home Delivered Meals" from the Clinton Senior Center one week each quarter. Our dates to deliver are

Monday, March 20 Tuesday, March 21 Wednesday, no deliveries Thursday, March 23 Friday, March 24



Meals are delivered each day between 10:45am and 12:30pm.

Ideally two volunteers will partner each day to pick up the food at the Senior Center at 10:45am and make the deliveries to Cloy Estates and Kenton Place and other areas in Northeast Clinton. It takes less than 2 hours.

Please consider signing up on the clip board in the church foyer. Questions? See Lisa Wallace or call her at 660-492-2575.

CWF News

CWF executive committee met January 30 to re-organize for the year. Activities thus far have been a bereavement dinner for Paula Jones' Father, Ralph Harrelson, a bereavement dinner for Carol Page's daughter, Beth Wilson, pie making, and JOY group met. The Phoebes group begins meeting in March, 2023.

All women of the church are invited to attend either of the two CWF groups which meet monthly – JOY meets in the evening, at 5:15pm on the third Monday. The Phoebes group meets during the day, at 11:30am on the second Thursday. Elaine VonSpreckelsen leads the JOY group and Jennifer Hinton leads Phoebes.

The annual rummage sale is July 14-15 this year. Begin gathering your treasures but please do not bring them to the church until early July. We do not have enough space for everyone's boxes of rummage.

Pat Bouse announced that pie making days will be the third Friday of the month from 9-11am this year. We made 37 pies in February and will not be making them in March. Pies are \$13/each and we have apple, peach and cherry.

We discussed taking a day trip in May. Members volunteered to check options and report back at our March 6 meeting. Details to follow.

On Going Outreach



The Church In Society Committee invites you to help supply snacks for the students at the Tech School on an on going basis until further notice..

Students many times don't have an opportunity to bring food and many times don't eat breakfast before school.



Items needed are as follows:

- Individual bags of pretzels or chips
- Bags of individually wrapped Rice Krispy Treats.
- Individual bags of Goldfish or any other type of crackers or cookies.





We have a container available to put them in during the month of January.

If you have ever fed teenagers

you realize they are a bottomless pit.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE

Lenten Prayer Vigil – April 7

One of the most cherished activities of our church during the Lenten Season is our prayer vigil. Our prayer honors God and - God delights to have us talk to him through prayer. Here are some frequently asked questions related to the April 7 prayer vigil.

What is a Lenten Prayer Vigil? The Prayer Vigil is a 30-minute time slot to talk to God...or sing to God...or read to God.

Who may sign up? Anyone and everyone is invited to participate! You don't have to be a member of our church. You may pray as an individual, as a couple, or as a family. Please make time to participate.

When? 30-minute time slots begin at 6:00a.m. and end at 6:00p.m. on Good Friday, April 7

Where? At our church – in the church prayer room located on the "north - Sunday School hall" of the church. Not sure where that is? Come in the front doors and we'll have signs to the prayer room.

Why? During the Lenten season we remember Jesus' last days and his life of prayer. Our prayer honors God and God delights to have us pray.

How do you pray for 30 minutes? Thirty minutes of prayer may seem daunting. Have no fear! You also can read the Bible and sing or recite songs from the hymnal. Remember, praying is not always saying something-Listen to God! There will be resources such as devotionals and prayer books provided in the prayer room.

How? Sign-up in the church lobby.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Greetings from Your Membership Committee! Just a quick recap of what we did in February as it was a busy and fun month. It started in January with a return to monthly Game Nights. (February spilling into other months is a theme, here.) About 35 people had a great time, with one couple coming from as far away as Kearney, Missouri! Pastor Tim's son Matt and his family came down and joined us in a great time of food, games, and getting to know each other outside of a church service. If you have not been to a Game Night, you are missing out. We have a light, snack-like dinner (bring some, if you want to, but it is not necessary), play all sorts of board games (if you have a favorite or just want to try a new one, bring it as people will join in), and just generally have a Yatzee! time. They are usually on the last Friday of the month, but February's will be March 3rd.

Next came our first ever Super Bowl Party. Twelve brave people came out, including a surprise visit from my son Cooper all the way from Lee's Summit. Even though it was small, we did have a great time and think this will probably become a tradition even if the Chiefs are not in it every year as they should be while Mahomes and Reid are the quarterback and coach, respectfully. The outcome and the game were a blast.

Next came the Fellowship Dinner on the 19th. We served over 90 people. Great food and great fellowship. The next one is March 19th. Fried Chicken and Sharlotte rolls is the menu. Bring, if you can, a side dish or a dessert. If not, just join us as there is always plenty of food and fellowship for everyone.

Coming up is the March Game Night, like I mentioned above. We will have a light meal of pizza. Then comes the Fellowship dinner on March 19th, also mentioned above. Then March ends with another Game Night, this one is on March 31.

Membership is also in charge of the Thinking of You Cards that we sign each Sunday. Sharlotte Anderson is the one to see if you have a request, if there is someone who you thinks we need to reach out to, that we are thinking about.

Membership also finds the volunteers to bring in a breakfast snack for the Holy Grounds room before Church services. They also make the coffee. If you would like to volunteer for this or volunteer to clean up some Sunday morning after the service, talk to Sherri Royal. She is the keeper of that list of volunteers.

Of course, Membership can always use more help! Our meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 5:30, which makes our next meeting March 2nd. We meet in the fellowship hall. If you don't like meetings, but want to be kept in the loop, tell Jerome and we will get you on the text chain we use outside of the meetings. One of our yearly goals is to create a new, picture directory of the congregation and regular attendees. We are planning for a date later this summer or about 'back to school' time. More information on that to come.

If you have ideas for other events and things we could do as a congregation, let any of the Membership members know of your idea. We are a Membership driven committee and want people to enjoy their time at Clinton Christian Church and not just think of us as a place to only worship, but also to be a part of the community, and part of people's entertainment plans; an enjoyable group of believers! See you at our next event!

Dear Church Family,

There is a famous song by Andrea Crouch that says,

"How can I say thanks for the things you have done for me?" I definitely know what he meant.

Words cannot express how much I appreciate your love and support to me.

The Love Offering was so wonderful, and I appreciate it more than you could possibly know.

God Bless You Church Family.

With Love,

Debbie Reith

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

9:30 a.m. Choir 8:45 a.m. Bible Reading 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship Service

Mondays

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

Tuesdays

11:00 a.m.Seekers Bible Study

Wednesdays

1:00 p.m. Prayer Group

Church Office Hours

9:00 a.m.to noon Monday through Friday

Wednesday, March 15

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

THE SWEETEST STORY EVER TOLD OUR LENTEN JOURNEY FOR 2023

HERE IS THE SCHEDULE:

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE: FEBRUARY 22 @ 6pm

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT: FEBRUARY 26

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 5
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 12

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 19

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT: MARCH 26

PALM SUNDAY: APRIL 2

GOOD FRIDAY: APRIL 7 @ 7pm

EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 9

SONRISE SERVICE: 7am
TRADITIONAL SERVICE: 10:15am

DURING OUR LENTEN JOURNEY WE WILL EXAMINE OUR SINFULNESS

AND OUR NEED FOR A SAVIOR.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US

ON THIS JOURNEY

March 2023





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

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