

The Tower Views

October 22nd, 2020



As the weather changes and this time of COVID-19 concern continues, we're doing what we can to make Sunday mornings with Clinton UMC as safe as possible. We also want to offer appropriate connections to all who gather with us. So, here are a few reminders.

We are offering in-person Sunday morning worship at 8:15 and 10:30. In addition, some adult Sunday school classes are meeting and nursery care is provided (children 5 and under). Face coverings are required inside the building, you may sit in any sanctuary pew marked with a "reserved" sign, and gather for conversation outside or inside (old library area) with social distancing encouraged.

We continue to offer the option to gather with us online (8:15 a.m. or later) or on the radio (8:15 a.m.). However you choose to join us for worship, please take an extra step of connection. If you're with us in-person, please complete and turn in a Connect Card. If joining us online, you can post in the Facebook feed.

No matter how you gather with us for worship, you can make that connection through our Clinton UMC Connect #. Text or call 660-851-1341 and let us know you're with us. While you're at it, you can share a prayer request, so that we pray with you. If you worship with us on the radio, I especially ask you to please reach out through our Clinton UMC Connect #.

We'll continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation in our community. As the situation warrants, we'll make changes to our Sunday morning practices. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know (660-525-4422, steveblacksher@clintonumc.net). This Sunday is Jubilee Sunday and we'll be rounding out our "Balancing Act" sermon series. I look forward to gathering with you for worship!

Your partner on the journey, Pastor Steve

Prayers are needed for:

Charles Hull and family in the death of his brother John,
Berry Beebe, Vera Graham, Jane Adkins,
Caroline Wilson, Melvin Dennis, and Tom Ross



Next Week's Scripture Readings:

Sunday: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

Pray for faith to know your human weakness and God's faithful love.

Monday: Matthew 23:1-12

Pray and live humbly in the sight of God and others.

Tuesday: Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Pray to know, partner with, and witness for God.

Wednesday: Acts 26:19-32

Pray and know the Good News that Jesus died and is raised from the dead.

Thursday: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

Pray to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and your life with others.

Friday: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

Pray for the desire to taste and see how good God is.

Saturday: Matthew 5:1-12

Pray and remember those who lived a life blessed by God.

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El Cobano Update - Education

Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, all Nicaraguan government schools have remained open, despite the fears and anxieties that surround the virus. Even with these added challenges, over 80% of primary school kids have been attending class as they did before the pandemic. Those who are uncomfortable attending class in person are still being helped through special efforts by The Rainbow Network staff by distributing school supplies and other materials to assist with studying at home.

Some of the most dedicated students are the high school scholarship students. Nearly all of the scholars have been attending class in person, are maintaining excellent grades, and continue to tutor the younger primary students in the afternoon. I'm so proud of our church in sponsoring a total 14 high school students.

Dr. Will Moore has prepared a video of his visit to Nicaragua earlier this year in which he showcases many of the students we are sponsoring. Check it out on our [website](#) and Facebook page. Donations can be made through November 1 by either check made out to "Clinton UMC" with a notation of "Rainbow Network". You can also contribute online at www.clintonumc.net/give.

Blessings to each of you,
Carolyn McAllister
Clinton UMC Outreach Committee Chairperson



Contact Us

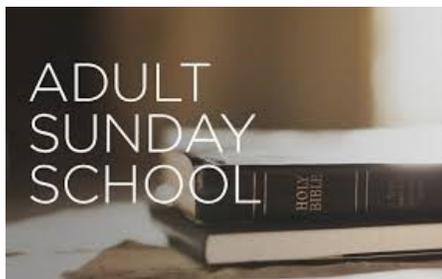
Here's how to get in contact with the church staff so we can help you!

Office—**Kathy Garnett**—
at 602 S. 3rd Street
660-885-5597
office@clintonumc.net

UMC CONNECT

660-851-1341

Connect with us! On Sundays, radio listeners can text messages to this number and let us know they are listening, and opportunities to respond to Steve's thoughts and questions via text messages will arise during the Sunday service. Also, send in prayer requests at any time to this number!



Circle L Class to Start Up Again!

Circle L Adult Sunday School will start **Sunday, November 1st** in the Board Room! Join Fred McAllister for some lively discussion. Social distancing and masks are requested. The Seekers Class is currently meeting in the fel-

lowship hall downstairs and Koinonia meets upstairs in the "fireplace" room.

Sanctuary Open Wednesdays!

Do you miss being in the sanctuary? We are opening up the sanctuary for you to spend some midweek time of peace, quiet, prayer, or meditation. Come enjoy the beauty of the sanctuary, the stained glass and filtered light. We will be open from 11:30 AM–1:00 PM and from 4:00 PM–6:00 PM. Come and go as you please and carve out some time to spend with God in the wonderful house of worship that we have!



Building Project Report

As part of the building project we have to relocate the electrical service and along the way we're updating to bring it up to current standards. This required setting in a new transformer and replacing the wiring from the utility to the building. Our friends from Everygy were on the job Saturday to begin making that change. We anticipate switching things over to the new power feed at the end of next week. This will require the building to be without power for about 24 hours while they finish all the disconnect and reconnect of feed lines but we anticipate being ready for Sunday services as usual!



Sunday, October 25th

Jubilee Sunday at both services!

8:15 Early Service/KDKD/Facebook
9:30 Virtual Sunday School on Facebook /Website
9:30 Sunday School (Seekers and Koinonia)
10:30 Late Service

Wednesday, October 28th

11:30-1:00 Sanctuary Open
4:00-6:00 Sanctuary Open
5:00 Middle School Youth
6:00 High School Youth
6:00 Chancel Band (circle drive)

Saturday night, October 31st—

Turn clocks back!

Sunday, November 1st

All Saints Day at both services!

8:15 Early Service/KDKD/Facebook
9:30 Virtual Sunday School on Facebook /Website
9:30 Sunday School (Seekers and Koinonia and now Circle L!)
10:30 Late Service