

March 28th, 2019



CLINTON

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Coming Up!

Sunday, March 31st

8:15—Early Worship
9:00—Fellowship Time
9:30—Confirmation
9:30—Sunday School
10:30—Late Service
11:30—Potluck Lunch

Monday, April 1st

5:00—Ukuleles
5:15—Pickleball/Ping Pong
5:15—Learner Bells
6:00—Bells
7:00—Guitars

Tuesday, April 2nd

No Pickleball or Ping Pong
1:00—Visitation

Wednesday, April 3rd

Noon—Lenten Service
3:00—Middle School UMYF
3:30—Angelus Choir
5:00—High School UMYF
7:00—Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 4th

8:30—Pickleball & Ping Pong

Friday, April 5th

11:00—Prayer Shawl Ministry

Brad's Message

This past Sunday we honored Elizabeth Ann Hutcherson for her incredible faithfulness and generosity to the church. Elizabeth Ann was a lifelong Methodist and charter member of this church when it formed in 1944. She shared her love of music with the church as a choir director and as a choir member. She also shared her love of music with the children of our community as she taught music in the Clinton School District for 40 years and taught piano lessons in her home. Elizabeth Ann was also an active member of the church women's group - first the WSCS (Women's Society for Christian Service) and later the UMW (United Methodist Women).

We are blessed to share that when she passed away, Elizabeth Ann left special gifts for the choir, for the UMW and for the maintenance of our building.

I give thanks for Elizabeth Ann's commitment to the church and the work of Christ. May she be an inspiration to all of us to give our best to God!

Daily Bible Reading and Prayer

Sunday

1 Corinthians 10:12-13

Give thanks that Jesus can give us the strength to overcome temptation

Monday

Romans 8:1-6

Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your mind away from sin and temptation

Tuesday

Romans 6:12-14

Give thanks for the freedom of God's grace

Wednesday

James 1:12-15

Confess the desires within you that entice you to sin

Thursday

1 Peter 2:21-25

Give thanks that Jesus loved us enough to die to free us from sin

Friday

James 4:7-10

Humble yourself before God and ask God to purify your desires

Saturday

John 14:27

Ask God for a heart like Jesus



This Sunday

Gathering Music:

8:15—Frances Harvey
10:30—

8:15 Song Leader:

Gary Dubina

8:15 Ushers:

Mike & Tonya Harrison
& family

8:15 Greeters:

McAllisters & Cables

8:15 Acolytes:

Nora Parks &
Jocelyn Himes

Continental Breakfast:

Treasure Yoder &
Carolyn McAllister

10:30 Greeters:

Dawsons & Austins

Children's Time:

Brad Reed

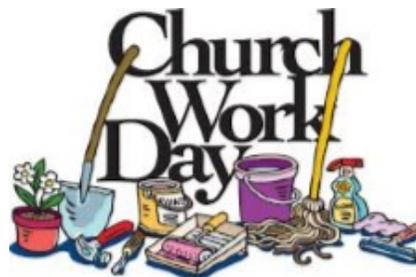
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Travis Smith



Pot Luck

Time for a Potluck Lunch! Everyone is invited at 11:30 am this Sunday, March 31st after church. Bring a dish to share and join us for a time of fellowship and food!



Church-Wide Clean-Up Coming

Mark your calendars for the church-wide clean-up on Saturday, April 13th starting at 9 AM. There will be projects for all skill levels both inside and outside the church. We'll spruce it up so everything looks nice for Easter and all our guests!



Change Jar Challenge Moving Forward in Faith

The youth and children in our congregation have been asked to be a part of our building project. In doing so we have started what we call the "Change Jar Challenge." We have measured around the church and have found that there are approximately 750 feet to encompass our church which we have agreed to collect change and turn into rolls of quarters to make the trek around the church. Every roll of quarters laid side by side covers 3' 2", which means a collection of \$2,500 would make a complete trip around the church in quarters.

The challenge has been presented to the youth and now to most Sunday School children, if you see one of our vortex collection containers, feel free to drop your change in and help the youth and littles make their building project challenge successful.

Prayers are needed for:

Charlsie Shoemaker, Ted Bolich, Maxine Evans, Jill Bernard, Wilbur Slocum, Stella Kubilus, Ben Doup, Clifford Inbody, Betsy Owens, Matt Palmer, Ryan Bitler, Virginia Wood, Danny Miles, Steve Winther, Karen Partridge, Jeremy Thomas, Jim Bilbruck, Jarrod Boyles, Donny Burton, Tom Ross, Caroline Wilson, Melvin Dennis, Arnie Drendel, Vickie Sims, Sharlene Wirsig, Norma Grimsley, Jean Ann Sidwell, Chastity Gillen, Margie Best, Rick Wolf, Mike Lester, Rosie Banfield



HCMF Henry County Memory Fund

Dine and Donate

Each Tuesday in April, you can dine at a local restaurant and help support Henry County folks that have to deal with Alzheimer's and dementia.

Next Tuesday, April 2nd from 8 AM–4:00 PM at Ben Franklin Bistro on the square, you are invited to grab some breakfast or lunch, coffee or snacks.

10% of your bill will be donated to the Henry County Memory Fund and help those in need.

Keep an eye out about announcements about the 5th Annual Big Purple Party coming on Saturday, May 4th! Walk and show your support!



Scholarships!

It's scholarship time! The Clinton United Methodist Church will be offering twelve one thousand dollar scholarships to church members who are continuing their education. 2019 High graduates and those students already in a post high school program may apply. Applications are available now and can be picked up in the church office or call the office to have them emailed to you. **They are due April 8th with two recommendations.**

Lawn Crosses

Lent is a season that draws our hearts and minds to the cross of Jesus. This year to deepen our focus on the power of the cross, we have Lenten Lawn Crosses that you can put in your yard in observance of Lent. Each cross comes with three cloths to be draped over it – a purple, a black and a white cloth.

The Lawn Crosses will be available just outside the sanctuary. There is no charge for a cross, but donations will be received to cover the cost of the materials. Any extra funds received will go to the youth mission trips.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

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Chat group has decided to work on prayer shawls as our continuing project. We heard of the Prayer Shawl Ministry that is practiced at many churches and feel we want to do this for future projects. The prayer shawls will go to persons who are ill, unable to attend church and fellowship or have a need for comfort and prayer. We welcome anyone who crochets or knits to join us in this important project. Contact the church office for more information.

Coming Up!

Our Lenten services will continue on Wednesdays at noon until Holy Week. Palm Sunday will start Holy Week on April 14th with the procession of palms by the children.

We will have both a 7:00 Maundy Thursday service and a 7:00 Good Friday Service.

Easter Sunday will feature a pancake breakfast at 9:00 and an Egg Hunt at 9:30.

Please plan to join us during this special time of the year.