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Setting our minds on things above, not on earthly things... -- Col 3:2

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Sunday Bible Study	9:00 A.M.
Sunday Worship	10:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Services	6:00 P.M.
Tuesday Home Bible Study	7.7:00 P.M.
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 P.M.
Friday Bible Study	9:00 A.M.



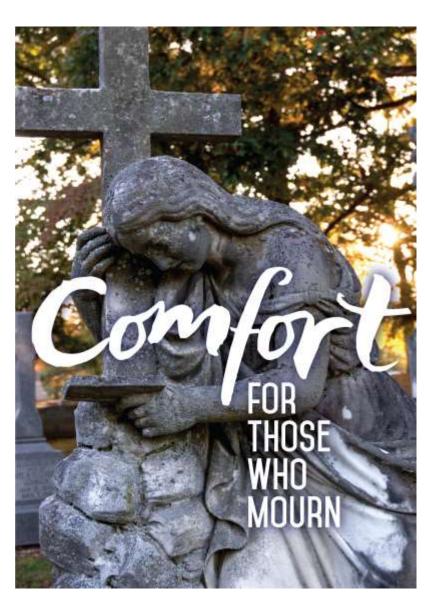
ELDERS Don Ross

Keith Carmichael

DEACONS

Rick Hill - Treasurer/Finance
Barry Bullock - Benevolence
Kyle Adkins - Education/Worship/Youth
Sean Langston - Building & Grounds

Urgent announcements are made via email and snow closings will be posted on KCTV 5. Routine notices and events posted on Facebook and email/text...





AYER Have we prayed about it as much as we have talked about it?

The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much... James 5:16

Our Elders/Deacons Namikango Mission Our Nation and its Leaders

Fair Haven Children's Home R & T Ministries GV Door of Hope

TRAVELING

None Known

MILITARY MEMBERS Gage Gunter Zachary Gunter

Additional Prayer Needs on Bulletin Insert

** Prayer requests can now be made and acknowledged on our church web page...

Welcome... to the worship and Christian fellowship of the Clinton church of Christ. If you are visiting with us today, know that your presence is an encouragement to us. May we all be blessed of God!!

- We have received a graduation announcement from Hollyn Nichole Achens... She is the grand-daughter of Allen and Sherry Allcock and it has been posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.
- A Thank You card has been received from Sisters Jane and Kari for the opportunity to serve our congregation's ladies recently. The card has been posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.
- Brother David Grimm will be here next Lord's day to update us on the work at the Fair Haven Children's home. This is a work we have supported for quite some time and it has been several years since we have had a representative come to speak to us. Please make a special effort to come hear him in the bible class time.
- Our Joint Praise and Worship with Warrensburg for May will be held at Cave Hollow Park and will be earlier than we usually meet. The church family there is hosting an activity for the kids of their congregation and invite ours to join in. They are providing dinner at 5PM and Praise and Worship will follow. We are certainly encouraged and built up in our faith in our assemblies and hope you will make every effort to come and worship together!!

THOSE Serving...

- If you thought it was too late to signup for Hymns @ Home or to change the sign messages, don't despair!! Openings still remain!

	This Week	Next Week
Announcements	Keith Carmichael	Don Ross
Scripture Reading	Kyle Adkins	Joshua Bullock
AM Song Leader	Barry Bullock	OPEN
Opening Prayer	Rick Hill	Nolan Rutter
Closing Prayer	Keith Carmichael	Don Ross
Lord's Table Lead	Kyle Carmichael	Sean Langston
Lord's Table Assist	Joshua Bullock	Kyle Adkins
Lord's Table Assist	Wayne Nance	Kyl Carmichael
PM Song Leader	Barry Bullock	OPEN
Opening Prayer	Don Ross	Rick Hill
Closing Prayer	Mark Andrews	Barry Bullock
PM Speaker	Keith Carmichael	Nolan Rutter
Wed. Opening Prayer	Rick Hill	Don Ross
Wed. Closing Prayer	Sean Langston	Sean Langston

- Our Friday morning breakfast bible study has a new study on April 19th. It is entitled Living a Life That Matters and it is open to any who would be able to attend. Let brother Nolan know if you would be interested in attending, we have a couple of extra study books!!

Don't forget our Bible Study Opportunities

- Sunday morning @ 9:00 AM
- Sunday evening @ 6:00 PM
- Tuesday Home Study @ 7:00 PM
- Wednesday Bible Study @ 7:00 PM
- Friday Morning @ 9:00 AM

Easter: Permission to Breathe

By Rubel Shelly

The annual Day of Atonement was critical to the year of every pious Israelite. Among all the joyous festivals of the Chosen



People, this day alone was a day of fasting and mourning. It was the day when the entire nation confessed its sinfulness and acknowledged its dependence on God's faithful love.

Twice in the course of the day, the high priest would enter the Holy of Holies. For the only time in the year, he would go into that most sacred chamber to offer blood on the mercy seat of the ark of the covenant. The first trip was to offer blood as atonement for his personal sins and thus to qualify him to intercede for the people. The second trip was to carry blood for the sins of the community.

What would happen if the high priest polluted the altar? What would happen if he offered a blemished or otherwise unacceptable sacrifice? What would happen if the Lord - for whatever reason - rejected his offering? He might die behind the thick veil. And the work of atonement would go unfinished.

Because of this, the devoted worshipers who watched the ceremony each year were anxious until Aaron or his successor emerged - alive, well, and smiling now that the work was complete.

This ceremony is part of the rich background to the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. In his The Resurrection of Jesus Christ, Fred John Meldau underscores the particular significance of the resurrection by writing this: "If [the high priest] offered correctly, he came forth in due time, but . . . if he failed to offer correctly, he died there behind the veil. In like manner, the coming forth of Jesus the Christ, in His resurrection, after His atonement for our sins on the cross, shows that His offering was accepted. The empty tomb is God's 'Amen' to Christ's 'It is finished.'"

Why is Easter important to Christians? It celebrates the success of the cross. It affirms that Jesus' death has been accepted in heaven as a substitutionary and propitiatory sacrifice. It means we have been saved by God's faithful love!

Can you picture the Jewish worshipers on the Day of Atonement, holding their collective breath while the high priest was out of view? Now can you imagine the collective sigh of relief as he emerged from behind the veil?

When Jesus emerged from the tomb early that Sunday morning, watching angels must have breathed a sigh of relief. And so may we.

Breathe now. The atonement is complete. Our Great High Priest has come back into view - alive, well, and smiling.





ORDER OF SERVICE

Call to Worship Song

Scripture Reading

Opening Prayer

Song Service

Communion

Song of Thanks

Offering

Song of Inspiration

Message

Song of Encouragement