



# Tower Views September 10th, 2015

**Clinton United Methodist Church**  
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I don't know about you, but sometimes I struggle to feel close to God. Sometimes I struggle to recognize how God is working in the world and in my life. So Sunday, we will begin a new message series titled *Closer* to explore what it means to experience the closeness of God. The themes will include:

- Sep 13 The Promise
- Sep 20 Day by Day
- Sep 27 Just a Moment
- Oct 4 The Voice
- Oct 11 Now You See It

Hopefully these messages can help all of us experience a deeper sense of God's presence and love!

Brad

P.S. Thank you for your generosity for the Samaritan Center. We've already raised over \$2600. Thank you for helping us meet a critical need!

### Bible Study

Weekly Bible Study will try again to meet on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-11:00 in the Board Room. Bring your Bible and note pad (optional). You can prepare by reading the following Scriptures that we will be reading and discussing:

1. Isaiah 50:5-9
2. James 2:14-18
3. Mark 8:27-38

Everyone welcome! Looking forward to seeing you on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Shirley Price



Embree Campbell, Judy Martin, Tom Drendel, Rosie Banfield, Gene Price, Naida Fenwick, Joe Harrelson, Arnie Drendel, Susan Turner, Robin Hays, Becki McQuitty, Shirley Mothersbaugh, Jill Bernard, Fred McAllister, and Harold Lam.

### Relay for Life

Relay for Life will be this Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 PM to 1:00 AM. At 9:00 P.M., the luminarias will be lit and the names on them will be read. Stop in for a while or stay the whole time!

We wish to extend a big thank you for all who helped and supported the fundraisers! We have already raised over \$4,200!

### Opportunity to Connect

The goal of the Connect Team is to reach new people for Christ by connecting with our community. Our next event is running the concession stand at the boys' soccer games on Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Please call the church office or Wendell Hoffman at 885-8077 if you can help at this event. You can also sign up using the Connect Card on Sunday mornings.

### The Samaritan Center Needs our Help!

The Samaritan Center here in Clinton serves over 1000 families from Henry County every year. One of the most basic things they provide is food. But right now their food supply is extremely low and the government grants that assist them in purchasing food are exhausted for this year. Thank you to those who have already donated – a check has been sent to the Samaritan Center! We will continue to receive a special offering during September. There is an envelope in your bulletin today.

A blessing for the Samaritan Center is that they can buy food from Harvesters in Kansas City for only 13 cents a pound. That means that our cash donations to the Samaritan Center can feed an incredible number of people.

### Worship Assistants

Greeters: 8:30 Frances Harvey  
 10:30 Les and Fern Mason  
 Denise Moore and Karen Erickson

Gathering Music: 8:30 – Brenda Ford  
 10:30 – Janice Santero

Song Leader – Kelli Jenkins

Ushers: 8:30 – Jim and Sandi Cox

## Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 13th

- 8:30 - Early Worship
- 9:00 - Continental Breakfast
- 9:30 - Sunday School
- 10:30 - Worship
- 5:00 - Lay Leadership meeting

Monday, September 14th

- 5:15 - Learner Bells
- 6:00 - Bells

Wednesday, September 16th

- 10:00 Bible Study
- 3:00 - Y on Wednesdays
- 3:30 - Angelus Choir
- 4:30 - Acolyte Training
- 6:00 - Outreach
- 6:00 - Chancel Band
- 7:00 - Chancel Choir
- 7:00 - Trustees

Thursday, September 17th

- 5:00 - Cub Scouts



### Daily Bible Reading & Prayer

Sunday	Psalm 139:7-12 Give thanks that God is alive & active everywhere we go
Monday	Joshua 1:6-9 Give thanks that God is with you everywhere you go
Tuesday	Isaiah 41:10 Give thanks for God's renewing presence
Wednesday	Genesis 2:1-3 Confess those times you've failed to pause and be open to God's presence
Thursday	Proverbs 4:20-27 Confess any times you've been so busy you missed God's presence
Friday	1 Corinthians 10:12-13 Ask God to show you your temptations
Saturday	Matthew 19:16-25 Commit your heart to the things of God

### Serve 2016

Planning has begun for this year. What ways can we help those in our community this fall? Call Fred McAllister at 885-6578 or the church office with your ideas.

## T-shirt Second Order

Jennifer is getting ready to place a second and final order of t-shirts! If you missed getting your shirts, sign up at the church office ASAP. T-shirts are \$9-\$13.

## Praying for Our Church

Every great church is powered by prayer. Sunday, September 20 at 6:30 pm, you are invited to join us in praying for our church. We will begin in the sanctuary and move through the church building praying for our people and ministries - asking for a deeper relationship with Christ for every child, youth and adult in our church family. Everyone is invited and no one will be required to pray aloud.



### Prayer Vigil - Save The Date!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 21, for a 24-hour prayer vigil here at the church. This is the Saturday before Thanksgiving and there is no better time to go to the Lord in a spirit of thanksgiving and love.

We'll be holding a planning session in the near future and need your input. If you would be willing to help, please call the church office and let them know. Or, you can indicate your interest on the Connect Card in the Sunday bulletin, or call Carolyn McAllister at 660-351-5044.

### Acolyte Training

There will be a practice session Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 for new acolytes and anyone wanting a refresher. Practice will take about 15-20 minutes.

### Bible Adventures

Bible Adventures is an active, fun opportunity to introduce our 2nd Graders and 5th Graders to their Bibles. The group will meet at 4:30 on Wednesdays - September 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> and October 7<sup>th</sup> - in the 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Sunday School room.

### Make Joyful Music!

Angelus Choir for grades 1-5 begins September 16<sup>th</sup> and meets after school from 3:30-4:30.

Chancel Band begins September 16<sup>th</sup> and meets at 6:00.