

## CPC News and Announcements

September 18, 2022

Sunday School	9:30 am
Inquirer Course	9:30 am
Worship Service	10:45 am

### **Announcements:**

**Children's Church-** We need volunteers for Children's Church. If you are willing to help with this or other areas of our Children's Ministry, contact Anna McMurry

**Sunday School Classes-** Our Adult and Children's Education classes are in session. Come at 9:30 and get into God's word with us!

**Childcare-** The Infant Nursery (6 months to 20 Months) and Toddler Room (20 months to 3 years) is open and staffed to serve families during the worship service hour.

**Online Giving-** Give online at [www.clarksvillepca.org/give](http://www.clarksvillepca.org/give) or text any dollar amount to 84321 to give.

**Resource Bank Survey-** Please complete the Resource Bank Survey and share your gifts with our church family. You can access the online survey from the newsletter or download a PDF version on the "Documents" page on the church website.

**Helping Hands-** As a body of believers we have the privilege of helping hands: Receiving help when we need it, and helping others when they are in need. We still have several members with outstanding needs. We currently have a family in need of some storage space in a garage or basement. If you can help with needs that members of our church have, please contact Asa Stone.

**Women's Ministry-** New study on 1st and 2nd Peter on Wed. evenings and Thurs. mornings. See Carrie Abraham for details.

### **Upcoming Events**

Women's Bible Study  
September 15 and 16

Inquirer Class (Part 2)  
September 18

Fellowship Meal  
September 25

Ladies Autumn Afternoon Tea  
October 1

Adults in Making Planning Meeting  
Oct 2

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### **Community Groups**

St. Bethlehem – every Sunday, 4:30 pm  
Corey and Leann Boyd  
[cnlboyd@gmail.com](mailto:cnlboyd@gmail.com), (931) 561-8218

Sango – 1st and 3rd Sundays, 5:00 pm  
Steve and Connie Christian  
[steve.christian@me.com](mailto:steve.christian@me.com), (502) 435-4062

Kirkwood – 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 pm  
Colin and April Foster; Dave and Paige Smith  
[camrts@yahoo.com](mailto:camrts@yahoo.com), (601) 260-1128

Eastland Green – 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30 pm  
Stephen and Tina Lee  
[slee9980@charter.net](mailto:slee9980@charter.net), (615) 477-9980

For questions or to learn more about our community groups, please email [cpccclarksville@gmail.com](mailto:cpccclarksville@gmail.com).

### **Ministry Team Leaders**

AIM (Adults in Making)

Audio/Visual Team	Chris Abraham: (928) 257-7331
Education - Adults	Corey Boyd: (931) 561-8218
Education - Children	Anna McMurry: (931) 896-1313
Fellowship	Bill DuVal: (713) 217-7994
Hospitality	Connie Christian: (502) 451-2828
Men's Ministry	John Michael Stitt: (270) 498-3539
Missions	Roger Pinkley: (931) 368-1568
Music Ministry	Amy Massey: (615) 972-9696
Nursery	Tina Lee: (931) 206-6824
Peacemaking Team	Richard Schwartz: (931) 906-6650
Property Care (Ext.)	Dale Massey: (615) 870-2826
Property Care (Int.)	Asa Stone: (931) 358-3726
Women's Ministry	Carrie Abraham: (928) 257-7397

### **Elders**

Steve Christian	(502) 435-4062
Stephen Lee	(615) 477-9980
Richard Schwartz	(931) 801-0264
Dave Smith	(931) 603-6133
John Stitt	(270) 889-4899

### **Deacons**

Dale Massey	(615) 870-2826
John Michael Stitt	(270) 498-3539
Asa Stone	(931) 220-9090

### **General Questions & Assistance**

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## Prelude

### \*Call to Worship

Psalms 150

### \*Prayer of Approach

### \*Songs of Praise

Jesus Shall Reign  
His Mercy Is More

### Scripture Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

### Prayer of Confession

### Passing the Peace

### \*Song of Assurance

A Debtor To Mercy Alone

### Scripture Reading

Galatians 5:16-26

### Prayer of Intercession

### \*Song of Preparation

Speak O Lord

### Sermon

"I Am the True Vine"

### Prayer of Response

### Offerings

Malachi 3:10-12  
Jesus I Am Resting Resting

### \*Song of Response

Doxology

### \*Benediction

\*As you are able, please stand.

## Introduction:

### I. The Work of the Vinedresser

A) To remove

B) To prune

### II. The Life of the Vine

A) Absolute dependency

B) The need for abiding

### III. The Fruit of the Branch

A) The place of obedience

B) The priority of love

## Conclusion:

For next week: Guest speaker

## Quotes and Notes

"Spiritual life flows out of union with Christ, not merely imitation of Christ. When the full dimensions of God's gracious provision in Christ are not clearly articulated in the church, faith cannot apprehend them, and the life of the church will suffer distortion and attenuation. The individual Christian and the church as a whole are alive in Christ, and when any essential dimensions of what it means to be in Christ are obscured in the church's understanding, there is no guarantee that the people of God will strive toward and experience fullness of life."

- Richard Lovelace  
*Dynamics of Spiritual Life*

"Disturb us, Lord, when we are too well pleased with ourselves, when our dreams have come true because we have dreamed too little, when we arrive safely because we have sailed too close to the shore. Disturb us, Lord, when with the abundance of things we possess, we have lost our thirst for the waters of life; having fallen in love with life, we have ceased to dream of eternity; and in our efforts to build a new earth, we have allowed our vision of the new heaven to dim. Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly, to venture on wider seas where storms will show your mastery; where losing sight of land, we shall find the stars. We ask you to push back the horizons of our hopes and to push us into the future in strength, courage, hope, and love."

- Sir Francis Drake (1540-1596)

"'Pain produces' is one of the primary laws of spiritual growth. It is a commonplace both of horticulture and of Christian experience that the harder the pruning, the greater the fragrance and beauty which will later be released. Our heavenly Father is hungry for fruit from his vine, and in order to produce it will often in his pruning cut deeper than we should ever have chosen."

- Bruce Milne  
*The Message of John*

"The church is to be a loving church in a dying culture. How, then, is the dying culture going to consider us? Jesus says, 'By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one to another.' In the midst of the world, in the midst of our present dying culture, Jesus is giving a right to the world. Upon his authority he gives the world the right to judge whether you and I are born-again Christians on the basis of our observable love toward all Christians.

And we must not get angry. If people say, "You don't love other Christians," we must go home, get down on our knees and ask God whether or not they are right. And if they are, then they have a right to have said what they said."

- Francis Schaeffer (1912-1984)  
*The Mark of the Christian*

We are really glad you could be with us this morning. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask our pastor or one of the elders. They would be glad to help you in any way they can. 931-906-6650 or cpccclarksville@gmail.com  
"Cpcprayers2020" is the password for the prayer requests page on clarkvillepca.org