

UNITED IN CHRIST

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION FOR CLIFTON & PALISADE CHRISTIAN FAMILY AND FRIENDS

August 2026

COME ONE

COME ALL

FAMILY NIGHT

STARTING UP AUGUST 19TH

There is still an opportunity for a "Team of Cooks" to take one Wednesday a month to fix Dinner.

Jori Leathermon is the one to speak with if you are interested.

FAMILY NIGHT starts at 5:00 with Choir Practice. 5:30 to 6:20 is Dinner.

6:30 all Groups begin - Pre-Anchored Children (5yo through 5th grade), Adult Life Groups, and Anchored Youth (Middle and High School).

7:00 is Praise Team Practice. And we all finish up at 8:00 PM.

Child care is available for children of adults who are attending Groups.

DISCOVERY CLASS

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH - 9 AM-1:30 PM
FOR PALISADE & CLIFTON CAMPUSES**

In this class you can meet with Ministers, learn what the Vision and Mission of our Church is, what we Believe, about having a relationship with Jesus, and where you can fit in with the Church.

Please sign-up at the Information Table or call the church.

**LUNCH & CHILDCARE INCLUDED
CLIFTON CAMPUS - Conference Rm**

PRAY FOR OUR STATE

Thursday, August 6th at 6PM through Friday, August 7th at 6PM

is our 24 hours to pray for Colorado. There are prayer guides out that you may take to guide your prayers.

If you don't have a scheduled time, you can still join in praying, any time, any place.

"ALL-CHURCH PRAYER MEETING"

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH - BEFORE CHURCH

Prayer and fellowship; seeking the will, power and leading of our Sovereign God.

Clifton Campus Sanctuary - 8:00 am

Palisade Campus - 9:00 a.m.

Clifton Campus	Gen Fund	Missions	Other	Food Bank	Total Deposit	PALISADE CAMPUS
6/14/2026	10,628.00	1,016.00	2,601.00	400.00	\$14,645.00	Offering Food
6/21/2026	11,695.78	1,038.33	1,545.25	1,330.00	\$15,609.36	6/14...\$1,042.00
6/28/2026	11,525.00	470.00	230.00	2,155.00	\$14,380.00	6/21...\$ 50.00
June Electronic Giving	25,582.65	240.00	102.40	210.00	\$26,135.05	6/28...\$3,175.00
7/5/2026	13,583.10	1,065.00	5,791.00	1,800.00	\$22,239.10	7/5...\$ 591.00 \$550.00
TOTALS	\$73,014.53	\$3,829.33	\$10,269.65	\$5,895.00	\$93,008.51	TOTAL...\$5,408.00



Reaching the World for Jesus
Persecuted Christians
Our Children & Schools
Our Ministers and their Families
CCC's Food Ministry
Our Country's Leadership
Wars & Catastrophes in the world
Don Babcock - Heart health
Cheryl Baker - Healing & strength
Charlotte Barkley - Respiratory problems
Diane Bobrick - Eye health & caregiving
Jennifer Bonger - Cancer biopsy
Christina Botruff - Cancer surgery
Linda Bradshaw - Continue healing
Marguerite Collard - Cancer treatment
Paul Cradit - Healing of back injury & pain
Mercy Craig - Heart health
Lynn Daly - Major Health concerns
Holly DeWarwick - Cancer surgery recovery
Don Hamilton - Heart health
Terry Hardy - Gaining strength
Edie Holland - Eye health
Andrea Garrett - Serious health issues
Margaret Jackson - Spiritual battle
Kirk Johnson - Continued health concerns
Russ Kendall - Heart health
JR Mims - Healing broken ribs
Mary Rowland - Continued healing
Gary Rummel - Recovery from stroke
Jeanette Schielke - Pain management
Karen Sharrer - Heal kidney and diabetes
Diana Smith - Cancer treatments
Mike Sidanycz - Recent cancer diagnosis
James Wilcox - Kidney cancer treatment
Mike Yearout - Spots on lungs
Darlene Zanon - Health concerns

With Sympathy

To Megan Underwood and Family with the passing of her brother on July 2nd.

To Cassandra Keator and Family with the passing of her mother on July 4th.

To Jerry Payne and all the Family with the passing of his twin brother on July 8th.

To the Family of Betty Bradbury who passed away July 22nd.

Thank You

Dear Clifton Christian Church,

I thank you all for the cards, phone calls, flowers, and most of all, your Prayers.

With much Love and Appreciation!
Diana Smith

GRIEF SHARE

Are you hurting due to the death of a loved one?

Grief Share can help.

Starting August 6th and running through November 5th, we meet every Thursday evening, 6:30-8:30 at the Clifton Campus Conference Room.

If you have questions, please call David Botruff @ 970-549-7277



REGIONAL MISSIONS

Please join us on the first **Saturday** of the month, **August 1st, 4:00PM** in the Conference room and find out about the Nine (9) US Missions we support.

GLOBAL MISSIONS

EVERYONE IS WELCOME to our meeting **Sunday, August 9th, @1PM** in the Clifton Campus Conference room. We meet every month. Please join us and hear what is happening with the (17) Missions we support.

See the Insert in this month's letter for current updates.

He that
believes
and is
baptized
shall be
saved.
Mark 16:16
Baptisms
New Member by Confession

NTO NEVER TOO OLD

Thursday, August 20th - Noon - Clifton Cafe'

THEME: "Spirit Of Hospitality"

FOOD: Sweet & sour pork, rice, fruit bowl and dessert

FEATURING: SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY BAND

MUST SIGN-UP!!!

by August 16th - No Table Reservations and no late calls. Sign-up at Church or email marie@cliftonchristianchurch.com or call Marie @ 970-210-3066.

WE ARE LOOKING TO ADD MORE LIFE GROUPS! IF YOU THINK YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A GROUP LEADER, PLEASE LET RICH ANTONIO KNOW. THERE WILL BE ANOTHER IDT TRAINING.



Annual Church ELECTION

It's time to prepare.....

Elections for Elders,

Deacons, and Deaconesses

are coming up in November.

NOMINATIONS are being

accepted Aug 1st through Aug 23rd.

Look for the table in the Great Hall or Foyer to drop off your nominations.

Nominees must be Members of Clifton or Palisade Churches and Voters must also be Members.

NEWS FROM THE CLIFTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH

FOOD BANK:

Happy August and Back to School....

We are deeply grateful to the many donors who support us, including our church family, other church communities, individuals, businesses, foundations, service groups, and many others.

We are especially thankful for our grocery rescue donors:

- Clifton City Market, 24 Road City Market, Safeway on Patterson Road, Safeway on Horizon Drive, Sprouts, Target, My Favorite Muffin, Warrior Way Walmart, Starbucks, Stinker's Gas Station, Maverick Gas Stations, & Sam's Club.

Did you know volunteers are here 360 days a year helping prepare the food bank to serve God's children? They work through freezing cold and blistering heat, always with generous hearts and a spirit of service. Thank you!

As we prepare for the fall and holiday seasons, we are planning a large food bank cleanup. Projects will include painting bathrooms, stocking shelves, sweeping, and mopping. Please join us on Saturday, August 29, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. We need all the help we can get and would love to have volunteers.

Thank you for your continued support. Sign up today in the Great Hall or call Jackie or Carrie for more information.

This past month, God has placed a message on the heart of the food bank: we are not called to settle for being merely adequate. God has chosen each of us with purpose and has great plans for our lives. In His eyes, and in the way we serve the world, we choose to be more than adequate. Join us as we refuse to settle for less.

Much Love to our Church Family.

Jackie Feaster 970-623-5996

Carrie Daugherty 970-209-7359



LIFE GROUPS

Saturday -10:00 am - Isaac Ortega - 970-778-6224 - Men Only

Sunday - 8:30 am - Teen boys - Isaac Stephanus - 970-712-8438

8:30 am - Teen girls - Addie Huff - 970-210-7802

4:00 pm - Eric & Jennifer Nordenson - 970-640-6850

6:30 pm - College age - Kyle Nordenson (970-250-3918)
or Pennie Underwood (970-589-6645)

Monday - 1:00 pm - Jackie Stephanus - CCC Conference room

6:30 pm - David & Lori Hernandez - 970-778-0056

6:30 pm - Ed & Valerie Vial - 970-312-4715 - Palisade CC

Tuesday - 1:00 pm - Merle & Judy Miller - 970-261-9418 - CCC Gratitude Room

2:00 pm - Paul & Cathy Sheridan - 970-296-4430

6:00 pm - Corbin & Melissa Shipp - 970-201-4534 (Children Welcome)

6:30 pm - Joe & Debbie Bray - 907-229-7127

6:30 pm - Bonnie & Mike Richards - 970-822-3339

6:30 pm - Vern & Patty Herold - 970-250-6756 or 208-5512

6:30 pm - Danny & Claudia Daniels - 970-201-1309

6:30 pm - Jon & Sheila Wickre - 303-913-9725 - Whitewater

6:30 pm - Ginger Richardson - 303 406-1483 - CCC Gratitude Room

7:00 pm - Patty Simpson - Ladies Group - 970-201-0855

Wednesday - 1:00 pm - Steve & Sandy Detty - 970-261-0126

12:30 pm - CCC Prayer Room - David Botruff - 970-549-7277

2:00 pm - Don & Linda Mechem - 970-243-3770

6:30 pm - CCC Gratitude Rm-Wade Hoke - 970-216-5271 (Children Welcome)

6:30 pm - Women only-CCC Hope Room-Li Robb (Children Welcome)

6:30 pm - CCC Faith Rm-Larry Leathermon-970-712-7210 (Children Welcome)

6:30 pm - Men only - Conference Room - Paul Sheridan & Mike Bowman

7:00 pm - CCC - Bernardo Escalante - 970-270-6453 - Spanish Speaking

Thursday - 1:30 pm - Dolly Dempsey- 719-429-8395 - Clifton Conference Room

6:30 pm - Rich & Heather Antonio - 970-434-3030

6:30 pm - Mike & Christy Leven - 386-490-3165 - Various Homes

6:30 pm - Kurtis & Luz Weeks - 970-314-0317

Friday - 1:30 pm - Cindy Berner - 530-215-6076

6:00 pm - Jessica & David Raymond- 970-844-7244

6:00 pm - Bob & Jacque Harper - 972-841-5093

7:00 pm - Steve Andrews - 970-222-6251

ELDER'S CORNER

Children of God

The greatest decision any person will ever make is whether to receive Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins or to reject His offer. In today's world, people often try to explain their inner struggles of emptiness, loneliness, depression, and anxiety by blaming everything except sin. Why? Because acknowledging sin means admitting that *all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God*, and that every one of us must come to Jesus in humility.

Outside of Christ, the world can only offer temporary, artificial solutions that never reach the root of our condition. Only Jesus can forgive, restore, and make us whole.

At the same time, it is important to recognize that some of us Christians may still need to take medication prescribed by our trusted Primary Care Provider and/or Psychiatrist. If you believe your current medication is not helping, it is essential to consult your provider. They may adjust your treatment or recommend trying different medication. If you remain uncomfortable with the change, you always have the option to seek a second opinion from another qualified provider.

God cares for the whole person meaning the body, mind, and spirit. Seeking medical care when needed is not a lack of faith; it is wisdom.

To be called a *child of God* is one of the greatest gifts of the Christian life. It means that through Jesus Christ, God has welcomed you into His family, not as a visitor, not as a servant, but as His beloved son or daughter. This identity shapes how you live, how you hope, how you choose your career path in life, and how you see yourself each day.

God does not simply forgive your sins and send you on your way. He draws you close. He places His Spirit within you, reminding your heart that you truly belong to Him. When life feels heavy, the Spirit whispers the truth: "*You are Mine.*" When you feel weak, God strengthens you. When you feel alone, He assures you of His presence.

Being God's child also means learning to walk like your Father, looking for those each day that God has purposely placed in your path to show His love, mercy, patience, and holiness to. You are not trying to earn His approval; you already have it. You are simply becoming who He has made you to be.

And there is a promise: God's children share in Christ's inheritance. Eternal life, joy, and the fullness of God's glory await you. Nothing in this world can take away what your Heavenly Father has prepared for you.

Today, rest in this truth: You are loved. You are forgiven. You are God's child. Walk in that confidence and let His Spirit lead you.

Joe Bray, Elder

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**Reaching the world for Jesus one person at a time,
Making Biblical disciples through intentional relationships.**

**CLIFTON CAMPUS
REGULAR WEEKEND SERVICES:
SATURDAY EVENINGS.....6:08PM
SUNDAY MORNINGS...9:00AM & 10:45AM
6:08 and 9:00 Services are streamed live at
cliftonchristianchurch.com and click on "Live Streaming"**

CLIFTON & PALISADE MINISTERS
Roger Ferguson - Senior Minister
Corbin Shipp - Palisade Senior Minister
Terry Leathermon - Worship & Associate
Isaac Stephanus - Youth & Associate
Jori Leathermon - Children's Ministry
Rich Antonio - Outreach & Associate

**PALISADE CAMPUS
REGULAR WEEKEND SERVICE:
SUNDAY MORNINGS...10:00AM
3702 G ROAD
PALISADE, 81526**

Weekly Events

Quilters - On break until Oct. 5th

Mondays - 2:00-6:00PM - Old Fellowship Hall

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

WEEKLY - 9:30 AM - Clifton Sanctuary

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Wednesdays - 6:00 AM
Randy's Restaurant in Clifton

Food Ministry Distribution

Wednesdays - 9:00 - 11:30 AM
and 12:30 - 3:00 PM

Fridays - 9:00 - 11:30 AM

Choir Practice

Wednesdays - 5:00 PM - Clifton Sanctuary

Family Night - Start-Up August 19th

Every Wednesday - Clifton Campus
6:30 - 8:00 PM

Anchored Youth

Wednesdays - 6:00 - 7:30 PM - GYM

Praise Team Practice

Wednesdays - 7:00 PM - Clifton Sanctuary

Celebrate Recovery

Every Thursday - 6:30 PM - Clifton Campus

Upcoming Events

Roger's Bible Study

EVERY TUESDAY

9:30-11:00 AM - Clifton Sanctuary

FAMILY NIGHT START-UP

WEDNESDAYS, **Starting August 19th**

5:00 PM - CHOIR

5:30 PM - DINNER

6:30 PM - PRE-ANCHORED CHILDREN,

ADULT GROUPS, and

ANCHORED YOUTH

7:00 PM - PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE

Every Thursday

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

6:30 - 8:30 PM Clifton Sanctuary

Thursday, August 6th

GRIEF SHARE **START-UP**

6:30 - 8:30 PM Clifton Conference Room

Saturday, August 8th

DISCOVERY CLASS

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM - Conference Room

Sunday, August 9th

GLOBAL MISSIONS MEETING

1:00 PM - Conference Room

Sunday, August 16th

ALL-CHURCH PRAYER MEETING

8:00-9:00AM - Clifton Sanctuary

9:00-10:00AM - Palisade Sanctuary

Thursday, August 20th

NTO LUNCHEON

12:00 Noon - CCC Cafe

Tuesday, August 25th

DEACON'S MEETING

6:00 PM - CCC Cafe

Tuesday, August 25th

ELDER'S MEETING

6:00 PM - CCC Conference Room