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JOIN US FOR HOT DOGS ROASTING ON THE OPEN FIRE!

Bring yourselves and your chairs! That's it! All food , drink and wild entertainment will be provided by the church. Or grab a seat on a straw bale and relax as the fire does the rest. Enjoy fellowship on a cool , fall evening while listening to the soothing guitar of Rod Sander or better yet, sing along! The kids will be playing a variety of games and last but not least, making their own s'mores! We hope to see you and all those from the surrounding Clair Community!

Enjoy Clair Church's Facebook Page and Streaming Services on YouTube

Please make sure you "like" Clair's Facebook page so you won't miss out on things happening at Clair! Our page is facebook.com/clairchurchstjoe. Our FB page shows our Clair Church logo only. We are in the process of deleting our old page (which shows the exterior of the church).

ALSO, you must open a YouTube account of your own to be able to chat with Clair Church during the service, tell us how many are watching in your household and send us your prayer concerns, etc. The accounts are free.

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Rod Sander: Carved out a Place at Clair Church!



I grew up on a farm on Pickett Road and was probably at Clair Church two weeks after I was born so I've attended Clair for 70 years.

I farmed for almost 20 years. I then owned a construction company and worked for American Fire and Safety.

Joy and I were married in October of 1972. We have two children, Summer Duke and Dustin Sander. Summer and Shawn have two boys, Frank and Harvey. Dustin and Stephanie have two girls, Sally and Annabelle.

One of my favorite memories include Joy and I being involved in a theater group that presented several dinner theaters at Clair.

I started a Sunday evening service with contemporary music which was moved to Sunday morning. I was thrilled when Dustin joined the band playing guitar, bass, or drums. It was such a pleasure to see the variety of people involved.

One thing I really enjoy at Clair is study groups that allow questioning.

One of my hobbies was always softball. I pitched fast pitch softball for 35 years because they kept calling me! I love to play guitar and sing. I am a woodcarver and have shared angels with over 30 people, some in this church. I also grow fruit and berries- turning some into wine.

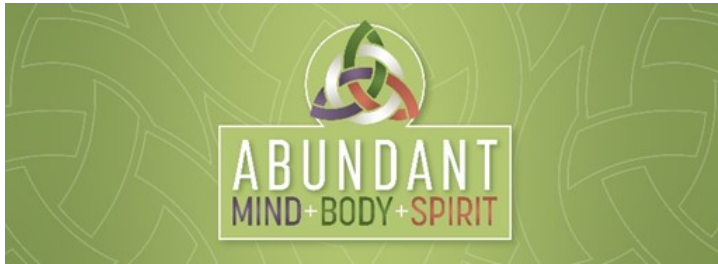
I currently lead a study group on Sunday mornings at 10 am at Clair. We are a group of various ages and viewpoints. Our numbers are down from early 2020 for some reason and would love to fill our room. Join us won't you?

Clair's Calendar

October 24	Fall Hot Dog Roast 5-7 pm	November 9 Admin. Brd. Mtg.
October 29	SERVE OPEN DOOR FOOD KITCHEN	November 20 Men's Breakfast
October 30	Painting of parking lot lines	
October 31	All Saints Sunday	
November 8	Starlite 6 pm	

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



I'm excited about our next worship series, Abundant: Mind + Body + Spirit. Beginning on Oct. 31 we'll spend the four weeks leading up to Thanksgiving talking about Abundant Love, Joy, Hope, and Faith. We'll give thanks for the blessings of abundance in our lives.

The "Trinity Knot" symbol informs our understanding of God as three-in-one, and it also provides us with a template for seeing God as an active participant in every facet of our being. • The wisdom of God provides us with the MIND to comprehend life beyond our human condition. • The BODY of Christ has set the example for every disciple to live as the hands and feet of his ministry. • The Holy SPIRIT has come to walk with us as the continued presence of God, which strengthens our resolve.

Mental, physical and emotional health play an interconnected role in our personal quality of life and in our ability to impact the mission for which we have been called. We must allow God to become a vital and integral part of maintaining every component of our health so that we can truly live life with joy and abundance.

I'm working on a plan to have small group conversations throughout the month, so stay tuned for those opportunities, along with daily scripture and prayer resources.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Joe and I are humbled by your acts of appreciation during October's Pastor Appreciation Month! What a surprise to see several of our family members in attendance for the Harvest Home celebration! Who knew my mother could keep a secret for so long! Your kind notes, the special sweatshirt from Starlight, and the very generous monetary gift from the congregation were so thoughtful. Thank you! We love being your pastoral family and look forward to the year ahead. Cindy and Joe

All Saints Sunday – Oct. 31

On Sunday, Oct. 31, we will recognize the special people in our lives who have passed away during the past 12 months along with new babies born among us. This is always a special Sunday, so make plans to be present to honor saints of our past, present, and future.

Cindy Buhman



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And What Will You Give Me for It!

Hopeful Worship and a Lively Auction Highlight Harvest Home



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Fun, Family and Fellowship!



**THANK
YOU**

**Over
\$1,800
raised for
seed money
for capital
campaign
and
Salvation
Army
Family
Center!**



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Clair Men's Group Ax the Ash Bore!

Joe Buhman and Scooter Hartenbower felled two dying ash trees on Friday, October 15. After breakfast on Saturday, the men's crew with five chainsaws sawed up the trees to be used for firewood, leaving smaller pieces to be used for the hot dog roast event on October 24, 5-7 pm. Others who helped include: Denny Elder, Phillip Frank, Duane Kimble, Ryan Ruch, Rod Sander, Ross Schneider and Wayne Weipert.



The Men's
Group will
meet October
30 to paint
lines on the
parking lot!