



# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

June 3, 2012

## Order of Worship

### Welcome

Eddie Sanders

### Song Leader

Kerry Cole

#583

#780

### Opening Prayer

Dale Gregory

#602

#310

### The Lord's Supper

Jack Lynch

### Contribution

Jack Lynch

#290

### Lesson

Bill McFarland

#336 (1,2,3)

### Announcements

Eddie Sanders

#883 (1)

### Closing Prayer

Fred Lorenz

### Elder of the Month

Eddie Sanders

## Hebrews: What God Has Given

My Wednesday night class is just completing a journey through the great Epistle to the Hebrews. I would say that there has never been a more beautiful or profound appeal for patient, hopeful faith than it is. At the heart of its message is the conviction that if we can appreciate the magnitude of what we have been given in Christ, we will never leave him.

God gave us his best. He has given us his own Son, the heir of all things, the one who is over his house. He has given us the one who is better than any angel, better than Moses, better than any priest or any sacrifice or any covenant or any promise. Nothing more glorious could have been given.

God gave as he had purposed. The numerous allusions to Old Testament in Hebrews demonstrate this point. God gave the Son of whom he had spoken, superior to any other but made like us in every respect. He gave the one had been pictured in all the sacrifices and who was finally a perfect high priest, the one who made real all the blessings of the new covenant.

God gave according to our need. What amazing grace – one who could taste of death for everyone and deliver us from slavery to fear of it! The founder of our salvation, a merciful and faithful high priest, access to the throne of grace, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, the finisher of our faith, the great shepherd of the sheep – all ours by the gospel!

God gave what cannot be repeated. His love may be imitated, but there is no way to repeat what he has given because there is no one else like Jesus. He offered himself without sin once for all. By that offering he put away sin once for all. He established God's will once for all. He sat down at the right hand of God because the sacrificing work is over. What he did will never be done over, nor will it be done by anyone else.

God gave us every reason to hold firmly to our confidence. We have a hope which will bring great reward. We would be most foolish if we were to throw it away. Let us have patience, so that when we have done the will of God we may receive the promise. What a wonderful word of encouragement for all of us!

“Grace be with all of you.”

--Bill McFarland

*“As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.” Luke 8:15*

# Prayer List

## Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

- ◆ Eula Compton continues to have health problems
- ◆ Jim Reaves fell last weekend and is pretty sore and bruised
- ◆ Mary Charlotte Lines is in Mercy Hospital recovering from surgery
- ◆ Dale Harp is now home from the hospital but is dealing with several health issues
- ◆ John Luallin, Lynn's brother, is going through tests for some serious health issues
- ◆ Debbie Crawford's mom, Crystal, was in the hospital a couple of days last week with chest pains but is now home and doing better
- ◆ Debbi Ratterree has some new health concerns
- ◆ Kay McFarland's niece, Beth, has been diagnosed with a rare form of bladder cancer
- ◆ George Downing's father has serious health issues
- ◆ Jo Baggett's mom, Ann Freeze, is now with Jo and Larry
- ◆ Bill's sister-in-law, Joann McFarland, is back in the hospital in Mountain Home

### Long Term/Shut-Ins

Kay Adams	Doris Iorg
Alice Allen	Irene Johnson
Shirley Bartlett	Carol Law
Paul Bratcher	Carol Mahon
Doris Burch	Wilma Melton
Bonnie Cole	Jarita Nimmo
Eula Compton	Betty Shaw
Fern Davis	Wilma Spoor
Thelma Fain	Doris Thomason
Lucille Ford	Doris Tobler
Milton Ford	Judy Todd
Allen Harmon	Pat Woods

### Expectant Moms

Megan Jobes/boy/July  
Sara Stipp/December  
Leah Prewitt/January

### For The Record

May 27

Bible Study:	226
Morning:	279
Evening:	183
Wednesday (5/30):	206
Contribution:	\$ 9,537



To our friends at Water Mill, We have moved to Houston, Texas to be with family here. We will miss our association of many years with you. Our phone numbers remain the same.

Love, Gerald & Ann Nichols

Village on the Lake, 19200 Space Center Blvd., Apt. 1912, Houston, TX 77058



We extend our sympathy to Larry Baggett in the loss of his aunt this past week.

Gospel Meeting at the Marshfield Church of Christ June 10-13 with Bill Dayton of Owenton, Kentucky (flyer on bulletin board)

## TO WHOM DO WE GO FOR ADVICE?

By Dennis R. Smith



I think, by-in-large, that we live in a society of self-appointed advisors. How many times have we heard, "If I were you, I would do" - and then their advice would follow. While all of us like support and we invite it in most cases, yet the Bible warns us to be careful where we seek it. The Psalmist wrote, "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly" (Psa. 1:1). The first eight to ten chapters of Proverbs reveals the wisdom of those who have "gone down that road before" as it were. I think we seek to find advice which we feel will be in line with what we want to hear. Old sayings out of the past match up with our thinking - "water seeks its own level... and...birds of a feather flock together." However, in looking carefully at the 1<sup>st</sup> Psalm, both positively and negatively, we learn that it is not advisable to seek the counsel of the ungodly and thus the best advice in all matters is to seek it from those who have proved their righteousness by the life they have lived. They will be the ones who are most interested in your soul. While this article is not saying that we should never seek professional help in the case of physical or mental conditions, it is saying that in a great number of our personal concerns it will be the righteous friend who will give you the right advice. Having said that, don't forget that Jesus and his word becomes the Counselor of all counselors (Isa. 9:6). "If I were you, I'd seek his advice first!"

## NEW CHRISTIANS



*Congratulations to the Stockdale family as Selene and Ashley made the decision to put on Christ in baptism last Friday afternoon. Be sure to offer your support and encouragement to them as they begin their lives as Christians.*

## The Blaney Family



Adam, Tabby, Mason,  
Eliza & Lindy

*The closing on the Blaney's home in WV has been delayed until the week of the 10th with the closing date no later than the 15th. Continue to keep them in your prayers as we await their arrival.*



*Thank you so much for all the prayers and cards for mother! I am in Tennessee to drive her back to Springfield to spend the summer with us. You have been such a blessing with all the cards, which have been a great encouragement to her! She loves getting mail. Please keep us in your prayers as we make this next transition. You all have been a great blessing to all of us! Jo Baggett*

*My sister-in-law has delivered a healthy baby boy, Steven Moore. Thank you so much for your prayers and concern for her during her difficult time. Shawna Stockdale*

*Thank you for your prayers, cards and visits during my stay in the hospital. It means so much that your brothers and sisters care. I need your prayers during June for it's going to be a busy month. I will be seeing a lung doctor and going through 15 radiation treatments for 2 or 3 cancer spots on my face. Thanks again for your love and prayers. Dale Harp*

## Baby Shower Upcoming Events

*All are invited to a baby shower honoring Megan Jobs on Sunday afternoon, June 24, at 3 p.m. Tucker and Megan are expecting a boy and are registered at Target and Toys-R-Us.*

**GOLDEN AGERS  
WILL NOT MEET  
TODAY!!**



### Birthdays Next Week

9 Marty Stockstill  
10 Selene Gellan  
13 Diana Compton  
14 Rose Lynch  
Les Malanowski  
Jarita Nimmo  
15 Ashley Blevins

### June Anniversaries

(12th thru 19th)

12 Don/Sue Lewis  
Tucker/Megan Jobs 2 yrs.  
14 Russell/Elizabeth Lilly 26 yrs.  
15 Tony/Diana Compton 42 yrs.  
Kerry/Sandy Cole 38 yrs.  
18 Tom/Gin Crumrine 7 yrs.  
19 Jerry/Carolyn Young 48 yrs.  
**Happy Anniversary!**

- ◆ Quilters will meet Tuesday at 10 am. After this meeting, we will not meet again until September.
- ◆ Elders meet June 12 at 1 p.m.
- ◆ Fathers Day June 17.
- ◆ Youth Night at Bolivar June 17
- ◆ Larry Baggett's session at Happy Hollow begins June 24
- ◆ Next Book Club meeting is July 9th. We are reading books written by Grace Livingston Hill.
- ◆ July 28 Super Saturday VBS
- ◆ August 15 BLOOD DRIVE

### Card Shower for Janel Wydick

*After being a part of this congregation for the past six years, Sunday morning, June 10, will be Janel's last day with us before beginning her new job in Kansas. If you would like to wish her well as she begins this new phase in her life, we have provided a card basket at the information desk for your convenience.*

*If you plan to attend Bill's session at Green Valley Bible Camp this summer (July 15-21) you will need to register and pay online for Session 7 at [www.greenvalleybiblecamp.com](http://www.greenvalleybiblecamp.com).*

## We need YOU in Sunday School each week!

*The bridge you burn now may be the one you later have to cross.*

*If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. (Romans 12:18)*

## SERVICE ROSTERS

### THIS MORNING

Nursery: Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett  
 Greeters: Brendan & Jenny Carroll  
 Van Driver: Jackie Freeze/616-9789  
 KYB Phone: Adam & Sara Stipp  
 Serve: George Downing/Briley Ewing  
 Communion: Jackie Freeze/Verl Duncan  
 Oran Green/Don Gaunt  
 John Dutton/Jeff Fisher  
 Mark Friend/Tom Easterly

### THIS EVENING

Song Leader: John Mahon  
 Opening Prayer: David Kern  
 Lesson: Bill McFarland  
 Closing Prayer: Briley Ewing  
 Communion: Mike Thurlkill/Jerry Young  
 Nursery: Lisa Stayton/Emily Simon

### NEXT WEEK (June 10)

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole	John Mahon
Opening Prayer:	Clarence Feeney	Russell Lilly
Communion:	John Mahon	Mike Thurlkill Jerry Young
Closing Prayer:	John Hulett	Travis Morrison
Nursery:	Pat Malanowski/ Orvella Blackburn	Alice Buckner/ Jenny Carroll
Greeters:	Jo Baggett/Alice Buckner	
Van Driver:	Kevin Wuench/833-6134	

### Wednesday, June 6:

Devotional: Russell Lilly  
 Song Leader: Travis Morrison  
 Opening Prayer: George Downing  
 Closing Prayer: Oran Green  
 Van Driver: Tim Stockstill/849-7678

### MONTH OF JUNE:

AV Room: Jeremy Thurlkill/Luke Lines  
 Secure Building: Paul Lines/Tim Buckner

#### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM  
 Sunday Evening Worship... .....5:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

#### WORKS WE SUPPORT

CHINESE AGAPE Foundation  
 Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern  
 Mariana Islands

Voice of Truth International  
 Charles Renfro, Latin American  
 Missions

World Christian Broadcasting  
 Churches of Christ Disaster Relief  
 Fair Haven Children's Home

"In Search of the Lord's Way"  
 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10

"KNOW YOUR BIBLE"  
 10:30 AM Sundays/Springfield 33/KSPR



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