



# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

November 9, 2014

## Order of Worship

*Song Leader*  
**Kerry Cole**

#500  
#36 (1,2,3)

*Opening Prayer*  
**Tim Bowling**

#786  
#299 (1,4,5)

*The Lord's Supper*  
**Ron Stokes**

*Contribution*  
**Ron Stokes**

#237

*Lesson*  
**Bill McFarland**

#53 (1,2,4)

*Announcements*  
**Bob Snider**

#495 (1,3)

*Closing Prayer*  
**Tom Davis**

*You are the light of  
the world. A city set  
on a hill cannot be  
hidden. (Matt. 5:14)*



## Soldiers, Centurions, and Veterans

The New Testament has a remarkable way of keeping our feet on the ground when it comes to what exactly is to be affirmed, honored, and celebrated among godly people. This is something we might do well to ponder this week.

Service of every kind is afforded the highest esteem by both the example and the teaching of Christ, and the more the giving of self is involved the greater the service is. Those who follow him are expected to not only be servants but also to honor service.

Yet, there is the clear-eyed recognition that, in any walk of life, having a particular role and being a certain kind of person may be two very different things. Consider, for example, the Roman military personnel we meet in the Gospels and Acts.

The soldiers who appear in the record have clearly not been endowed with nobility by virtue of their roles. They are regular people who struggle with low motives and weak character. Some extorted money by threats or false accusations. Some mocked the suffering Christ and took his garments for themselves. Some accepted a bribe and lied about why the tomb was empty. Conduct like that is not honorable no matter who does it.

But think of the centurions, the soldiers who lead a hundred others. When they come upon the stage, they are generally persons worthy of much respect. There is the centurion who sends asking Jesus to say the word and heal his servant; the one who stands facing the cross and makes the good confession; Cornelius, who has Peter come and tell his family how even Gentiles can be saved; and Julius, the centurion who helps Paul so much on the terrible voyage to Rome. They have some things in common: a sense of fear, humility, justice, kindness, and responsibility—and all of this in the midst of pressure.

That is the kind of thing that is to be honored among godly people. The impressive thing is not so much what the person has belonged to, or where he has been, or even what he has been through. It is who he has shown himself to be through it all.

—Bill McFarland

## **Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.**

# Prayer List & Notes

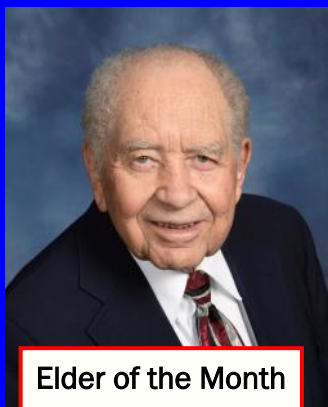
## Welcome Visitors

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.

## For The Record

November 2

Bible Study:	254
Morning:	330
Evening:	213
Wednesday (11/5):	193
Contribution:	\$9,531



Elder of the Month  
Bob Snider

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Dale Harp, Greg Larimore, Jerry Gillespie, Sharon Joseph, & Ola Jean Feeney as they all deal with continuing health issues.
  - ◆ Estel Pendergrass, Kay McFarland's dad; Lyle Mishler is still not feeling well; will see a specialist on the 12th; John Stayton is recovering from back surgery; Ruth Raines' surgery went well
  - ◆ Tim Timmons' biopsy showed the tissue was dead; doctors will decide Tuesday what they need to do next
  - ◆ Sherry Sherman is now at The Neighborhoods of Quail Creek, Dogwood Neighborhood, Room 10A; Clarence Feeney was involved in an auto accident this past week but just received bumps and bruises
- Friends & Family
- Carolyn Young's sister, Nita, is at home but not doing well
  - Norma Lorenz's daughter, Sherry, who is having some health issues
  - Lucile High's son David's mother-in-law, Ilene Essary, has been diagnosed with brain and lung cancer
  - Pat Kerr, Bob and Leona's neighbor, as she deals with cancer
  - Robert Keith requests prayers for Marilyn Keith's health issues
  - Amanda Eilenstein's uncle, Richard Fredendall, as he continues to battle leukemia; Judy High (friend of Terry Loveland) requests prayers for her father Horace High in VA Hospital in Topeka, Kansas; Nadean Green's nephew, Tyler Crabtree, recently had a malignant tumor removed from his neck. Mary Jo Rookstool's neighbor, Julie Dibben, and her mother, Joy Shelburn; Julie will have several very serious back surgeries soon, and her mother Joy has kidney failure.
  - Continue to remember Bonnie Cole's nephew, Scott Golden, Jon Ewing's brother, Mike Ewing, Joyce Harmon, Gaitha Downing's mother-in-law, Coyeatte Ewing's mom, Beverly Hammond.
  - Ron Brown, who just spoke to us about the China Mission, suffered a fall this past week in Texas; he has a couple of neck fractures which is the biggest concern at this time

## Sympathy



We extend our sympathy to Tom Newell and his family in the loss of his dear wife Janice this past week. Tom and Janice were house parents at Fair Haven for several years and former members at Water Mill. Cards can be sent to Tom at 1856 S.E. Barlow Court, Bartlesville, OK 74006.

## Veterans

We received a letter from Pleasant View School inviting Veterans and their families to a Veteran's Day Assembly at 8:15 a.m. on **TUESDAY**. Veterans will have special seating at the front of the gym. If you are interested in attending, please call the school at 523-2303. (see letter on bulletin board for more info)



## Thank You!

Thank you for all the beautiful anniversary cards and the birthday cards for Ron and the great cookies; thanks also for your e-mails. Ron and Marsha Bower

Thanks to all who so generously volunteered to help serve and provide food for the homeless today.

I can still use your empty ink/toner cartridges to turn into Staples for \$2 each. I can turn in 20/month. This has helped pay for most of our supplies this year. Thank you!!



## Long Term/ Shut-ins

Kay Adams  
Shirley Bartlett  
Doris Burch  
Eula Compton  
Fern Davis  
Thelma Fain  
Ella Mae Findlay  
Chloe Gaddis  
Mary Head  
Doris Iorg  
Doris Tobler  
Judy Todd  
Pat Woods



## Expectant Moms

Stephanie Schwartz/boy/February  
Sara Keener/girl/March  
Leah Prewitt/boy/March

## Birthdays

16 Ann Fahr  
17 Suzanne Dabbs  
Kay McFarland  
18 Van Barnes  
19 Doris Burch  
Carol Jackson  
20 David Kern  
21 Doris Tobler

# News & Activities

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Tomorrow evening the Book Club meets at 6:30p.m. at Linda Currier's house, 621 E. Portland
- ◆ Genealogy Class will meet Tuesday at 10 a.m.
- ◆ TUESDAY is VETERANS DAY
- ◆ Elders meet Tuesday at 1 p.m.
- ◆ Quilters meet on November 18.

There will be a combined devotional in the auditorium on Wednesday, November 26.

Friendship improves happiness, and abates misery, by doubling our joy and dividing our grief.

Elders, Deacons, Preachers meet TODAY at 3 p.m.



- ◆ *Be sure to turn in your LTC registration forms to Adam as soon as possible.*
- ◆ *11/16—packing food boxes for Friends Against Hunger after am service*
- ◆ *11/16 Youth night at Sunset*

Ladies Retreat is Friday and Saturday. Please turn in your money to the office by Wednesday night.



Ladies Bible Class meets Thursday at 10:30 a.m. with potluck lunch to follow. Linda Currier will give the lesson. Sheryl Low will provide child care. Please join us if you can.



Due to the high volume of traffic recently, we are very low on the following items.

**Canned Meals    Boxed Meals    Jelly    Cereal**  
**Canned Fruit    Jell-O/Pudding    Tuna    Spaghetti/sauce    Mac & Cheese**  
**Green Beans    Pork & Beans/Navy Beans    Corn**

Place items in the cans just inside the fellowship room. Thank you for your continued support of this good work. Also thanks to the Jason Luna Family for taking care of the pantry and making sure the groceries are bagged ready to be handed out.

## TAKING ANOTHER LOOK AT HEAVEN



(Matches up with today's Lesson in the Auditorium a reprint - by Dennis R. Smith)

For years men and women across the land have enjoyed singing the beautiful old song, "When We All Get To Heaven." The lyrics of this song hold beautiful and precious thoughts and the melody is quite lively making it an easy song to sing and one with hope and promise. However, not all who sing this song will make it to heaven. This is a promise made by Jesus. He said, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 7:21). Two other old songs also give us something to think about. "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" and "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes." I wonder as we sing these songs if our absolute faith and trust is put in Jesus, the Lamb of Calvary? Also, in the words of the second song, we are making a promise to the Lord that we'll work till Jesus comes. If you have read this article carefully, you will notice that this song, like many of us, may not only lack in faith but that it is not coupled with any creditable works on our part. On the other hand, do we work feverishly in hopes that we can accumulate enough good works to override our lack of faith? Please remember the words of James 2:18: "Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works." Focusing on heaven - another old song is also appropriate: "n Give of Your Best To The Master!"



### 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  
 Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission  
 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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## Service Rosters

### THIS MORNING

**Nursery:** Pat Malanowski/O. Blackburn  
**Greeters:** Gerri Dickens/Ann Thiesen  
**Van Driver:** Kevin Wuench/833-6134  
**KYB:** Jack & Rose Lynch  
**Serve** Jason Luna/John Mahon  
**Communion:** Andy McFarland/Tom Norrell  
 Aaron Morrison/Scott Nichols  
 Travis Morrison/Gene Lund  
 Steve Prewitt/Eddie Sanders

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Adam Blaney  
**Opening Prayer:** Jon Ewing  
**Lesson:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Oran Green  
**Communion:** Carl Tindall/Adam Stipp  
**Nursery:** Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll

### NEXT WEEK, November 16

AM

PM

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Adam Blaney
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Don Essex	Matt Keener
<b>Communion:</b>	Luis Tovar	Carl Tindall/Adam Stipp
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Tom Easterly	Adam Eilenstein
<b>Nursery AM:</b>	Jill Morrison/Meredith Reaves	
<b>Nursery PM:</b>	Lee Ann Donoho	
<b>Greeters:</b>	Byrle & Virginia Hayter	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	AM: J. Simons/988-8873	PM: T. Jobs/894-0826

### MONTH OF NOVEMBER

AV Scott Barton/  
 Room: Bruce Tindall  
 Open Building Tim Timmons  
 Secure Building Tim Buckner

### Wednesday, November 12

**Devotional:** Jerry Milligan  
**Song Leader:** JJ Blevins  
**Prayer:** Dale Gregory  
**Van Driver:** Jason Luna/  
 838-7152