



# WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

June 22, 2014

## Order of Worship

*Song Leader*  
**Kerry Cole**

#404  
#293

*Opening Prayer*  
**Tim Bowling**

#627  
#482

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

*Contribution*  
**Ron Stokes**

#438

*Lesson*  
**Bill McFarland**

#584 (1,2,4)

*Announcements*  
**Clay Joseph**

#170 (1,2,4)

*Closing Prayer*  
**Jackie Buck**

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



## An Outlet For Our Love

Children of God recognize the priority of love. It is our Father's nature to love, so not to love is not to know him. His beloved children are to imitate him by walking in love. The first and great commandment for us is to love him with our whole being. With regard to our neighbors, we will be fulfilling the whole law if we are loving them as ourselves. Among ourselves, it is assumed that we will serve one another through love. In congregational life, the greatest aspect of spirituality is love.

But the Lord knows, and as we mature we realize, that love—if it is real and alive and flourishing—must express itself toward someone outside of self. In short, when love is a verb it must have an object. God loved the world and gave his only Son for it. Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her. Individual members of his household are expected to love one another, their own families, the people with whom they come in contact each day, and even their enemies.

Consider what this principle means at a congregational level. A loving assembly of the Lord's people must not only have a warmth among themselves, but also an active goodwill that is turned outward. In fact, the former will not be found long unless the latter is present in good measure. When members of a congregation are continually introspective of their own love for each other, predominantly concerned with their own needs and wants, always preoccupied with what should be done better among themselves, the atmosphere in that congregation strangely becomes less loving and more dissatisfied, suspicious, and stale—no matter how busy the congregation is.

The Lord has blessed us with built-in nudges in the direction that is healthy for us. One is that our loving of one another is to take place in light of love for him, and as imitation of his redemptive loving and giving. In other words, we are, by nature to take joy in unselfish actions. A second is his call for our interest in, and involvement in behalf of, the great commission. We are responsible for helping to get the gospel to all the world. That must necessarily turn our love outward, thus blessing us. Weekly giving is a third aspect of our congregational life that expresses loving by the offering up of self. Approached this way, it is an event that can bless more than any amount of receiving ever will.

Any scriptural outlet for our love is a spiritual blessing to us as a congregation.

—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

June 15

Bible Study:	240
Morning:	316
Evening:	213
Wednesday (6/18):	207
Contribution:	\$ 7,256



Elder of the Month  
Clay Joseph



- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Thelma Fain, Greg Larimore, Dale Harp, Ruth Raines, Jerry Gillespie, Bill White
- ◆ Jackie Freeze was in St. Louis on Friday for a bone marrow biopsy
- ◆ Lori McCall is in ICU at Mercy Hospital; was having heart surgery at this writing.
- ◆ Nancy Snider is not feeling well. She has an ear infection.
- ◆ David Nimmo has been diagnosed with severe spinal stenosis in the lower back. May need surgery to remove bone spurs.
- ◆ Pat Woods continues to have serious health issues.
- ◆ Jerry Gillespie has been terminated from the current study drug but will go back to St Louis tomorrow and hopefully get into another study.

### Friends & Family

- ◆ Greg Donoho's mother, Nancy Donoho, continues to make slow improvement; she is at Freeman East Rehab in Joplin
- ◆ Carolyn Broswell who has a brain tumor.
- ◆ Ron Bower's sister, Marjorie Ann Herzig, and her continuing health issues. Cards of encouragement can be sent to her at 403 Bernard, Bellville, Illinois, 62223.
- ◆ Jon Ewing's brother, Mike Ewing, as he continues cancer treatments and Jon's mom, Joan Ewing
- ◆ Matthew Patterson, Mary Jo Rookstool's grandson, who is in Afghanistan
- ◆ Continue to remember Carolyn Young's sister, Nita; Jean Evans, Lyle Mishler's sister; and Ruth Reaves' brother, Jim Hocker, whose cancer has returned

Continue to remember the family from Kentucky/Tennessee that was involved in an accident in Springfield recently. Natalie Hays, 18, remains in ICU at Mercy. The other family members have been discharged from the hospital but will have a long emotional and physical recovery.

### Sympathy



We express our sympathy to the family and friends of Mr. Glenn Logston, former member, who passed away last week. Cards can be sent to Marjorie at 126 Fox Lane, Apt. 326, Chester, WV 26034.



Congratulations to Aaron and Brittney Morrison on the safe arrival of McKinley

Elise who arrived Friday morning. She weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and is 19 ¼ inches long. Brittany wanted to thank everyone for the prayers.



### Birthdays

7/1 Andy McFarland  
Carolyn Young  
2 Scarlett McCall  
Donna Sanders  
4 Vern Thompson  
5 Ruth Lund  
Gay Nichols  
Tyler Thornton

*Any coats/  
clothing left  
in the coat  
room after  
TODAY will  
be donated  
to Thrift  
Haven.*



A big thank you to everyone who brought yarn for camp. Such a big blessing!  
Jo Baggett

Thank you so much for your outpouring of love toward Norman and our family. The food that was brought in and the food served on the day of his service was outstanding. It was also fitting that our funeral group served. Norman would have smiled at that. Bill, Dennis and Ray did an excellent job at the service and graveside. A special thanks to those who sat with us and those who called and all the cards he received when he was sick. It meant a lot to us. May God bless you all. Love, Lucile and family

We want to thank you all for the beautiful cards we received for both my (Diana) birthday and our anniversary. They brought us so much joy and love. You are all so wonderful. In Christian love, Tony & Diana Compton

### 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

# News & Activities

As we have been announcing, a group of our youth and adults will be leaving immediately after services this morning to travel to Wyoming for a VBS/Service trip. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel today and tomorrow and pray they will be a great blessing to those they will be teaching/serving. They will begin their return trip after worship service next Sunday morning.



**Thanks to all for your support and cooperation in taking the time to have your pictures taken for our new directory. If you would like to be included in the directory but did not have your picture taken, please call the office and we will let you know your options.**



⇒ 22-28: Baggett/Stockstill  
Happy Hollow Session

June 22-29 Wyoming VBS trip.

## New Class Series

Bill will begin a new series in Room 126 today titled “Christ and His Church.” Pray for us and join us if you have not been attending class. This would be a great time to get started.

## FOOD FOR NEW MOM

Gaitha is friends with a family that has two kids & expecting their third in July. She has invited them to church but since the mom works late nights every weekend its hard for them to attend. She has told Gaitha that after the baby arrives she will not be working, and they would like to visit us. We would like to provide food for this family after the baby arrives as we do for our members who have babies. Gaitha will provide a signup sheet for food for after the baby arrives, and we hope some will be willing to help with that. She will take care of scheduling & even delivering the food if needed.  
BE SURE TO WATCH YOUR E-MAIL OR THE BULLETIN FOR MORE INFO.

## *Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff*

### **Elders**

Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Clay Joseph	417-833-3002
Eddie Sanders	417-833-5712
Bob Snider	417-833-3498
Jerry Young	417-724-0324

### **Minister**

Bill McFarland	417-833-0110
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### **Golden Age Minister**

Dennis Smith	417-866-6918
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### **Youth/Associate Minister**

Adam Blaney	304-520-9800
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### **Deacons**

Scott Barton	Russell Lilly
Tim Bowling	Aaron Morrison
Tim Buckner	Travis Morrison
Tom Davis	James Simons
Jim Elliff	John Stayton
Jon Ewing	Mike Thurlkill
Matt Keener	

### **Staff**

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian



## LOVE - A TWO-WAY STREET

By Dennis R. Smith

When people think of the love of God, perhaps the one scripture which comes to their mind is John 3:16. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” This is a great passage and is known as the “Golden Text” of the Bible. There are, of course, other passages which equally point out the love of God. Jesus said, “Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends” (John 15:13). With this thought, the Bible student would do well to study carefully the passages which he gave concerning the death of Christ. (See all four of the Gospels). It is here that God’s abundant love for mankind was revealed to a lost and dying world. While this is true, nonetheless, the true depth of God’s love can be received only when we are willing to return that love through our own obedience. Consider the following: “He that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him” (John 14:21). “If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him” (John 14:23). “If you love me, keep my commandments” (John 14:15). It seems then that the fully manifested love of God will be when mankind understands that love is always a two-way street in all circumstances and especially with God’s love for us. So then, based on scripture, we conclude that we must love Him here in order to be loved by Him There!

### 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

**AM Nursery:** Gin Crumrine  
**Greeters:** Jackie & Virginia Buck  
**Van Driver:** Tyler Thornton/  
**Serve**  
**Communion:** Luke Lines/Les Malanowski  
Fred Lorenz/Jerry Milligan  
Jason Luna/Travis Morrison  
Gene Lund/Scott Nichols  
Jack Lynch/Tom Norrell

## THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Jon Davis  
**Opening Prayer:** Travis Morrison  
**Lesson:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Barney Crawford  
**Communion:** Carl Tindall/V. Duncan  
**Nursery:** Donna Jordan/M. Reaves

## NEXT WEEK, June 29

### AM

### PM

**Song Leader:** Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Jon Davis  
**Opening Prayer:** Brendan Carroll  
**Communion:** Jerry Young Carl Tindall/V. Duncan  
**Closing Prayer:** Tom Davis  
**Greeters:** Brendan & Jenny Carroll  
**Van Driver:** Kevin Wuench/833-6134

## MONTH OF JUNE

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

## Wednesday, June 25

**Devotional:**  
**Song Leader:** Luke Lines  
**Prayer:** David Kern  
**Van Driver:** Todd Kraus/  
207-7877