

WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

April 30, 2017

Order of Worship

Welcome

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#833
#122 (1,2,4)

Opening Prayer
Brian Carroll

#312 (1,2,4)
#328 (1,3,4)

The Lord's Supper
Tom Davis

Our Contribution
Tom Davis

#756 (1,4)
#121 (1,4)

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#714 (1,5)

Announcements
Scott Barton

#350 (1,3)

Closing Prayer
Verl Duncan

Serve Communion

Josh Luna
Jerry Milligan
Scott Nichols
Aaron Schwartz
Andy McFarland
Aaron Morrison
Colton Orum
Brock Snitker
Mike Ussery
John Stayton

"YOU ARE SERVING THE LORD CHRIST."

"You are serving the Lord Christ" (Col. 3:24). This straightforward but profound statement is the heart of Paul's instruction to Christians who were facing the often difficult circumstance of slavery in the Roman world. It lays down a principle which is to continually, and in all kinds of settings, be before the Lord's people.

Here is our *privilege* as Christians. No matter what we do, no matter how common it may seem, we do it for Christ! What a high privilege it is to be a "vessel for honorable use...useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work" (2 Tim. 2:21). There couldn't be a more meaningful understanding of life.

Here is our *responsibility* as Christians. We are to respect the Lord Christ and act on the basis of what he says regardless of the situation. "If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ" (Gal. 1:10).

Here is our *enthusiasm* as Christians. Since we serve the Lord Christ, we want to do our best. The apostle says, "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men" (Col. 3:23), and, "Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord" (Rom. 12:11).

Here is our *confidence* as Christians. We know that from the Lord we will receive the inheritance as our reward (Col. 3:24). Jesus said, "If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him" (Jn. 12:26).

Here is our *endurance* as Christians. We do not grow weary and quit because of frustration with ourselves or disagreements with others, for we are serving the Lord Christ. Nothing changes our loyalty to him.

One of the best things a believer can do in any circumstance is to remember that he is serving the Lord Christ. I can think of few other principles which have as much power to bless our lives.

—Bill McFarland

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

Prayer List and 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

April 23

Bible Study:	257
Morning:	309
Evening:	217
Wednesday (4/26):	197
Contribution:	\$ 8,727
Weekly Budget:	\$10,119
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$(7,256)

Kelly Snider is now home from Barnes Hospital and will go back and forth for tests as he continues to recover from aggressive chemo and the bone marrow transplant for leukemia. **The Snider family** is so thankful for all your prayers this past year and appreciate your continued prayers.



◆ Continue to remember [Eula Compton](#), [Rachel Lilly](#), [Sherry Sherman](#), [Russell Lilly](#), [Donna Sanders](#)

- ◆ [Tim Bowling](#) will have surgery on his finger on May 9.
- ◆ [Elizabeth Lilly](#) will have carpal tunnel surgery on both wrists on May 12.
- ◆ [Shirlane Horton's](#) surgery is scheduled for May 5. See the sign up sheet on the information desk to help with meals or contact Shawna Stockdale (417-693-7467)
- ◆ [Terry Loveland](#) is out of the hospital
- ◆ [Wanda Wilkinson](#) is in Elfindale Rehab room 709 after being in the hospital with a broken shoulder.
- ◆ [Ellie Swartz](#) has a torn ligament in the groin/leg area due to another fall
- ◆ [Gracie Taylor](#) will be in Kansas City Tuesday and Wednesday for more tests and consultation.

Friends & Family

- ◆ Carolyn Young's brother, [John Sunderland](#), is recovering from surgery
- ◆ [Kelly Snider](#) is now home (see note from family)
- ◆ Bill's mom, [Pauline Redmon](#), is in rehab at Care Manor, Room 305B, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653-2939.
- ◆ [Ed Murray](#) as he continues his battle with cancer; Ed & Sherry's address is 203 Rendezvous Road, Riverton, WY 82501.
- ◆ Bonnie Cole's brother-in-law, [Jim Lavern](#), who is in experimental program in Florida for stage 4 lung cancer
- ◆ Robert Keith's son-in-law, [Nick Puglisi](#), will have back surgery in St. Louis.
- ◆ Doris Iorg's husband [Clyde](#) is beginning cancer treatments.



As most of you know, Bob and Ellie Swartz have sold their house in Springfield and will be moving to Iowa soon to be near their son and his family. Their son came to Springfield this past week and drove them back to Iowa so they can look for a house. Over the last few months Bob and Ellie have both experienced health issues which has made it difficult for them to even attend worship services. Ellie now has a torn ligament in the groin/leg area which is causing her tremendous pain. We all love them and hate to see them leave Water Mill but at the same time understand that they need to do what is best for their wellbeing. **ON THE EVENING OF MAY 12 THEY NEED THE HELP OF A FEW GOOD MEN (WOMEN) TO HELP LOAD THE POD FOR MOVING** (will have a more specific time later).



Thanks to everyone for your phone calls, get well cards, well wishes and especially for all the prayers for me concerning my recent surgery. **Jerry Young**

Long Term/Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower
Eula Compton
Ola Jean Feeney
Doris Iorg
Doris Tobler
Nursing Homes
Ella Mae Findlay
Ann Freeze
Chloe Gaddis
June Jean
Jerry Gillespie
Sandra Pingnet
Nancy Snider

Ministry Opportunity

Be a Blessing!!

Be sure to check the table in the foyer!!

Have you started filling in a Be A Blessing sheet this month?

Dear brothers and sisters, We are deeply grateful for your kindness to our Mom and Grandma through the past two and a half years, and to our family as we have dealt with her passing. She felt at home with you and she enjoyed you. We thank you for visiting her, for helping her come to church as long as she could, and for every encouraging card or thoughtful little blessing. Thank you for praying for her and treating her with understanding.

Your kindness toward us these last few weeks has also meant so much to us. We are grateful for your consideration regarding the demands that have been placed on our time and energy. We sincerely appreciate every sympathetic expression of support, the big stack of sweet cards we have received, all the food you have provided for our family members who have been here, both at Andy's house and ours, the lunch you served to our family, and your presence with us at the memorial service. Thank you for all your prayers in our behalf down through the years. **-Kay and Bill and family**

News and Activities

POTLOCK

5th Sunday Potluck.

TODAY after AM service

Team 3 will work: Buckner, Cole, Donoho, Ewing, Jobs, Kern, Raines, Stayton, Rookstool Families

All are encouraged to stay and enjoy good food and fellowship, especially our visitors!!



GRADUATES RECEPTION

May 7 after PM Service

Everyone is encouraged to stay for the Reception next Sunday evening and celebrate these young men and women as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

High School: Daniel Blevins, Madison Davis, Richmond Griter, Trevor Kraus, Ashley Stockdale

College: Laurel & Jonathan Pendergraft

Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

Elders

Scott Barton	417-234-2679
Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Jon Ewing	417-569-8698
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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Youth/Associate Minister

Adam Blaney	304-520-9800
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Deacons

Tim Buckner	Aaron Morrison
Tom Davis	Travis Morrison
Jim Elliff	James Simons
Matt Keener	John Stayton
Russell Lilly	Mike Thurlkill

Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian

Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Quilters** meet Tuesday at 10 a.m.
- ◆ **Woodland Manor Devo** Saturday at 10 a.m.
- ◆ **Happy Hollow Work Day** May 6
- ◆ **Book Club Meeting** May 8

Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Bible Class

meets Thursday at 10:30 a.m. We are studying from the book "Women of Deliverance." Linda Currier will teach the class and her topic is: Victim of Vow "Jephthah's Daughter."

Area Events

- April 30-May 3: **Gospel Meeting** at Sparta Church of Christ
 - April 30-May 4: **Gospel Meeting** at Bolivar Church of Christ
 - May 6: **Ladies Day Brunch** at Forsyth Church of Christ
 - May 7-10: **Gospel Meeting** at Mountain Grove Church of Christ
 - May 12-13: **Parenting Seminar** at Bona Church of Christ
 - May 28-June 4: **Show Me State Bible Lectures** at Branson Church of Christ
- Brochures on the bulletin board.

Today is the 5th Sunday. The Elders have asked that you consider increasing your contribution to help us stay on budget. Thank you for your always generous hearts.

Birthdays

- 3 Jo Baggett
 - 4 Byrle Hayter
 - John Stayton
 - 6 Lonnie Wilkinson
 - Don Essex
 - Tom Easterly
 - Jenny Carroll
 - 7 Gregory Johnson
 - Linzie Eilenstein
 - Jessica Orum
 - 8 Clint Holden
 - 10 Jared Duncan
 - 13 Elizabeth Lilly
- HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Congratulations to all of our 2017 LTC Participants and coaches!!



WEDNESDAY EVENING

A meal is being served each Wednesday evening from 5 to 6 p.m. JUST SIGN UP AT THE INFORMATION DESK IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND.

May Anniversaries

- 7 James/Lori McCall 29 yrs.
 - Aaron/Brittany Morrison 12 yrs.
 - 10 Jason/Lora Luna 20 yrs.
 - 12 Jerry/Pat Milligan 55 yrs.
 - 14 Cambre/Chelsea Thrasher 6 yrs.
 - 19 Charlie/Rosalie Cruse 45 yrs.
 - Bill/Kay McFarland 43 yrs.
 - 27 Scott/Jenna Nichols 9 yrs.
 - 28 Barry/Cindy Hannah 40 yrs.
- Happy Anniversary!!



SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: Randy & Orvella Blackburn
Van Driver: Alison Bean/
Nursery: Lora Luna/Kirsten McFarland

THIS EVENING

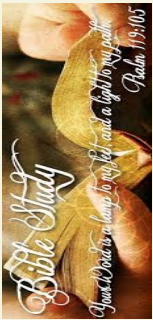
Song Leader: Jon Davis
Opening Prayer: Todd Kraus
Lesson: Adam Blaney
Closing Prayer: Cambre Thrasher
Communion: T. Morrison/J. Simons
Nursery: Lora Luna/Kirsten McFarland

NEXT WEEK, May 7

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer:	Russell Lilly	Steve Prewitt
Communion:	Jon Davis	L. Baggett/J. Buck
Closing Prayer:	Jerry Milligan	Adam Blaney
Greeters:	Jackie & Virginia Buck	
Van Driver:	Kevin Wuench/833-6134	
Nursery:	AM: Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan	PM: Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin

Wednesday, May 3

Devotional: Matt Keener
Song Leader: John Mahon
Prayer: Josh Luna
Van Driver: Jason Luna/838-7152



Bible Classes (Adult)

Sunday AM

Adult	The Beginning of Your Story. (Genesis)	Fellowship Rm	Jon Davis/David Grimm
Adult	Job	Room 126	Barney Crawford
Adult	Learning from Bible Characters	Auditorium	Byron Nichols
Adult	Pray Without Ceasing	Room 129	Jon Ewing
	A Study of the Prayers of the Bible		
Adult	Chronological Study of the Bible	Room 130	Paul Lines
College	Scorched and Choked	Room 119	Patrick Springer

*We need
YOU in
**BIBLE
 CLASS**
 each
 week!*

If you are unable to attend services, don't forget that all of our services are "Live Streamed." Go to www.watermillchurchofchrist.org and click on "Live Video."

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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

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship...5:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....6:30 PM



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