

WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

November 1,2009

#### Order of Worship

Welcome Jerry Young

Song Leader Kerry Cole

#599 (v. 1,2,4) #542

Opening Prayer John Hulett

> #717 #951

Communion Larry Baggett

#68

*Contribution* Larry Baggett

#647 (v. 1,2,4)

*Lesson* Bill McFarland

#584 (v. 1,2,4)

Announcements Jerry Young

#282 (v. 1,4)

Closing Prayer Tim Timmons



#### <u>ABOUT OUR WORK</u> Bill McFarland

This past week our thoughts, of course, have been with, and our prayers have been for, people who are precious to us as a congregation. I know that you join me in expressing our sympathy and support to the Lorenz and Meinsen families. We respect the strength and faithful service we have always seen in their lives.

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It was a privilege to work with the church in Seymour in their meeting for the last few days. We did the entire series on the place the resurrection of Christ has in the gospel by which we are being saved. It was a blessing to think about that great theme. The brothers and sisters there were very kind, and there were a number of guests present for every service. Thank you for making it possible for me to try to help with good works like this.

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As we have been reading the last half of Romans, I have been noticing how people who are being saved by the power of the gospel think of God. Our picture of him impacts our relationship with him and influences everything else in our lives. Notice the way the apostle speaks of him in the final two chapters of this profound letter.

*He is the God of endurance and encouragement.* "May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God" (15:5-7).

*He is the God of hope.* "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope" (15:13).

*He is the God of peace.* "May the God of peace be with you all. Amen" (15:33). "The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you" (16: 20).

Each of these descriptions of our heavenly Father has to do with what he means in the lives of his children. He can be such a Father to us because he is "the eternal God" (16:26) and "the only wise God" (16:27). May we give him his place in our manner of life.

**Today's Sermons:** Morning: On The Road To Emmaus Evening: With What Kind of Body? Page 2

# 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 October 25

Bible Study:	263
Morning:	348
Evening:	240
Wednesday:	232
Contribution:	\$9,091



Elder of the Month Jerry Young

# **Prayer Lists and Announcements**

#### <u>Milton Ford</u> is in Cox South

Seldon Essex will have extensive shoulder surgery on 12/2 at Cox South and back surgery on 12/29 Several of our families continue to deal with sick children. Friends and Family: Jim Meinsen's mom, Eileen, is in room 4271 at St. John's recovering from bypass surgery Herman & Pat Harris' new great grandson, Joshua Brandon Weir, is having health issues and is in ICU Lora Luna's sister, Melissa Newman, has pneumonia and is in ICU Norma Bradley's brother, <u>Al Penny</u>, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer and will have surgery on 11/9 at Duke University Tim Marsolf's sister, Kris Sigman (lives in Oklahoma), lost her husband 5 months ago. She is having health and emotional problems and they are concerned

We extend our sympathy and prayers to Fred, Debbie, Jim, Daniel & Bekah and Pam, Ronny and their children in the loss of Sondra last Wednesday. Sondra was a dear lady who blessed this congregation and many other people unknown to her through her great work with Caring Creations. She will be missed by all of us. (Pam's address is Pam Williams, 9144 Sandy Dr., Olive Branch, MS 38654.)

about her. Please keep this family in your prayers.

# Upcoming Events

### Today

- Preschool Potluck Lunch
- <u>LTC Scrapbookers</u> meet after morning service
- FPU class at 2:30
- <u>Golden Agers</u> meet at 4 p.m.
- <u>Pew Packers</u> meet at 4:45
- <u>LTC Puppet/Drama</u> meet after evening service

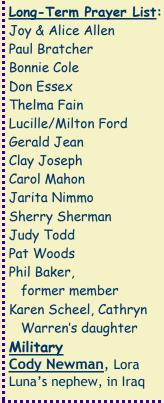
Ladies, beginning Thursday, November
5th, at 6:30 p.m. we will be viewing the
DVD Searching For Truth. If you are
interested in this study, please contact
Gaitha Downing.

- $\diamond$  **<u>Elders</u>** meet next Sunday at 2 pm
- James River Nursing Home singing/ devotional Nov. 7 at 3 pm
- Thursday Ladies Bible Class will meet Nov. 12 at 10:30 am. Leona Snider will speak on "Count Your Blessings—How Can We Bless Others?" Pot luck lunch will follow
- ♦ *Elders/Deacons* meet Nov. 15 at 3 pm



In conjunction with the youth leaf raking on Saturday, the Elders are asking those who can to please come to the building to pick up ocks from the field. We plan to start at 9 am and finish by noon.





### **News & Notes**

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## Youth News

Youth Leaf Raking November 7

All YOUTH in 4th thru 12th grades are encouraged to participate in our annual leaf raking service project Saturday. We will meet at the building at 9 am, have a quick breakfast and then get started. We should be finished by 2 pm. Please bring gloves, leaf rake and a sack lunch. Water will be provided.

### LTC News There will be an LTC meeting after morning service on <u>Nov. 8</u> for all parents and children involved. All young men involved in sermon delivery and song leading will meet at the front of the auditorium after evening service on

November 22.

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5	A	November		
5	1	Fred & Amy Winters 12	yrs.	
	2	John/Teresa Mahon 35	yrs.	
5	3	Denzil/Ruth Raines 48	yrs.	
	6	Larry/Jo Baggett 33	yrs.	
5	7	Freeman/Helen Weger 62	? yrs.	
5	8	Don/Wanda Starkey 27	yrs.	
5	20	Bill/Shirley Chilton 57	yrs.	
5	24	Verl/Karen Duncan 48	yrs.	
	26	Tom/Janice Newell 40	) yrs.	
5	26	Lance/Teresa Griter 15	ō yrs.	
5	27	Randy/Orvella Blackburn 5	yrs.	
5	28	Howard/Joy Cunningham 11	yrs.	
5	Best Wishes To All			
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Joey and Tammy Treat are happy to announce the arrival of Jack Wyatt Treat, born October 23. Mother and baby are doing

well. Jeff and Elaina Treat are the proud aunt and uncle.

Also, Norman and Lucile High recently welcomed great

grandchild #11 - Deven Daniel Coleman, born in Boise, ID.

For Youth and Their Families

Fall Fest at the Lines <u>November 7</u> beginning at 5 p.m. — be sure to sign up if you plan to attend

The Golden Messenger for November is available at the Information Center. This issue includes the complete article about Dr. Richard England's participation in the July conference from Oxford University where he heard many fearful and startling world views. Be sure to pick up a copy!

### Thank You

We would like to thank all those that sent us cards and well wishes for our anniversary. It is so nice to have such wonderful brothers and sisters in Christ. Thank you all.

Ron & Marsha Bower Thanks so much for all the lovely birthday cards. It's so good to know we have so many friends. Herman Harris



Featured Family Paul & Mary Bratcher



HOW IS JESUS "THE WAY?" By Dennis Smith

In answer to this question, let me first remind our readers that the bible uses many different approaches to get its divine message across. Metaphors, allegories, parables, songs and poems were quite often used. When Jesus said, "*I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me*" (John 14:6), he

opened a field full of beautiful thoughts. Let's think about this for a moment. The course of life from earth to heaven takes us over many rough roads. There are deep dark chasms which we must cross. This is when Jesus becomes our "bridge" to the other side. Equally so, as we are being tossed about on the sea of life, he becomes our "ship of safety." Then there are mountainous trails and peaks to scale. This is when he becomes our "guide." When sorrows overwhelm us, he is there to fulfill his prophetic purpose of being our "counselor." In our daily walks of life - on the job - at school or wherever the day directs us - he becomes our "partner and friend." Maybe looking at Jesus in this way should give us a greater appreciation of his words from John 14:6. You see, as a Christian there is no day so long nor night so dark but what this Man Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Savior of the world, our Redeemer and Friend, cannot be by our side. This may also help us understand the beautiful song, "Anywhere with Jesus."

**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

#### **OUR MISSION POINTS**

Mark & Era Thiesen, Malawi, Africa

Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern **Mariana Islands** 

Jeremiah Akamah, Cameroon, Africa

**Voice of Truth International** 

"The Living Word" 7:30 A.M. Sundays KOLR TV 10 "In Search Of The Lord's Way" Springfield 33 KSPR-TV 7:00 A.M. Sundays KOLR TV 10

"Know Your Bible" 10:30 A.M. Sundays



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# **Service Rosters**

#### THIS MORNING

AM Nursery:	Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett			
Greeters:	Larry & Jo Baggett			
Van Driver:	Shannon Haddock/732-4203			
KYB Phone:	E. Sanders/M. Rookstool			
Serve Communion:	Scott Barton/Eddie Currier Randy Blackburn/Tom Davis Tim Bowling/Greg Donoho Jackie Buck/John Dutton Kyle Buckner/Mark Friend			
THIS EVENING				

Song Leader:	Eddie Sanders
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Justin Reaves
Speaker:	Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer:	John Mahon
Communion:	Todd & Trevor Kraus
Nursery:	Lisa Stayton/Emily Simons

### NEXT WEEK, November 8

	MORNING	EVENING	
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole	Eddie Sanders	
<b>Opening Prayer:</b> Andrew Morton		Andy McFarland	
Communion: Jon Ewing		Todd/Trevor Kraus	
Closing Prayer:	Matt Kelley	Tom Meeks	
AM Nursery:	Pat Malanowski/Orvella Blackburn		
PM Nursery:	Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll		
Greeters:	Mike & Glenda Thurlkill		
Van Driver:	Kristy Sivils/838-1836		

### THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Ushers:	Scott Nichols/	Wednesday,	November 4
AV Room:	Shannon Haddock Travis Morrison Linda Barnett	Devotional: Song Leader:	Bill McFarland Larry Baggett
Secure Building:	Tim Buckner	Opening Prayer: Closing Prayer:	Shannon Haddock Eddie Sanders