



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

April 20, 2014

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#66
#621 (1,2,3)

Opening Prayer
Luis Tovar

#226 (1,3,4)
#742 (1,3,5)

The Lord's Supper
Dale Gregory

Contribution
Dale Gregory

*"How Deep the
Father's Love"*

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#336 (1,2,3)

Announcements
Barney Crawford

#237

Closing Prayer
Jerry Young

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



Living Hope

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...” (1 Peter 1:3). With these words the apostle Peter begins one of the great sections of Scripture from which, for centuries, God’s people have gleaned encouragement, strength, and as was said, “living hope.” The foundation of this hope is mentioned by Peter and used as bookends in verses 3 and 20 – the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Peter goes on to mention several things which this resurrection-hope offers: It allows God’s people to have a place in heaven that they may seek – undefiled, incorruptible, unfading (1:4). It gives His people strength and vision in the midst of struggle and trial, seeing that through those difficult times, the “genuineness of your faith” shines bright (1:6, 7). It centers the mind on His grace, through which, when confronted with His holiness, we might find courage to conduct ourselves differently than we have in our past (1:13-17). And, it reminds us that the Resurrected One, the “lamb without spot or blemish,” first shed His “precious blood” (1:18, 19).

May we also take a moment today and be reminded of what this “living hope” may sometimes look like when we see it on display among God’s people here among us. May we be thankful, give praise and offer prayers for those who work tirelessly and selflessly because of this hope:

Thanks to those who helped serve and love our grieving families with calls, visits and food.

Thanks to those ladies who worked hard to provide an environment to encourage the women through the Ladies Day.

Thanks to our Golden Agers for caring for those who often need to be reminded of hope more than some others.

Thanks to our young people working hard to prepare for LTC, and to our coaches who have given their time and talents to help.

Thanks to all of those who teach our classes of all ages, and who spend your free time preparing to help others learn the truth of God’s Word.

Thanks to those little (and not so little) ones for memorizing your *Family Bible Time* cards, and the encouragement you give us.

Peter finishes the paragraph the same way he began – by reminding us of the foundation of our hope in the father: “He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God” (1:20,21). May we always find this living hope in God through the resurrection of His Son, and may we allow it to continue to “live” through our service to Him and to His people!

- Adam

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

Prayer List & Notes

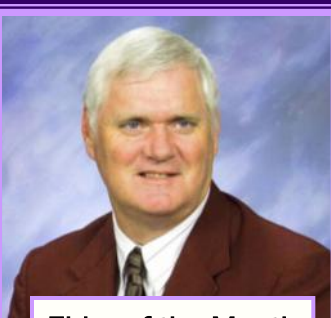
Welcome Visitors

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

April 13

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| Bible Study: | 259 |
| Morning: | 422 |
| Evening: | 205 |
| Wednesday (4/16): | 197 |
| Contribution: | \$10,313 |



Elder of the Month
Barney Crawford



♦ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Thelma Fain, Greg Larimore, Dale Harp

♦ Norman High as he deals with cancer and chemo

♦ Jackie Freeze has not been feeling well lately and they determined his medication for the leukemia is losing some of its "staying power." As he will have to change meds, he had to have another bone marrow biopsy this past Friday. Keep praying for Jackie.

♦ Kay Adams is no longer at Specialty Hospital; please notify us if you know where she has been moved to.

♦ Julie Alexander was admitted to Cox South Wednesday night

♦ Jerry Gillespie and Lanae as they explore new treatment options

Friends & Family

♦ Janice Newell (Janice & Tom are former house parents at Fair Haven) has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer; cards of encouragement can be sent to 1856 SE Barlow Court, Bartlesville, OK 74006

♦ Jon Ewing's brother, Mike Ewing, is now back at his mom's home. He still does not need visitors but cards to Mike and Joan Ewing would be great. Their address is 3184 W. Morningside Street, 65807. Keep Jon & Coyeatte in prayer as they help Mike and Joan make decisions about their care going forward.

♦ Matthew Patterson, Mary Jo Rookstool's grandson, who is now in Afghanistan

♦ Mary Jo's granddaughter had gall bladder surgery recently but due to complications had two more surgeries this past week, but is now home and on the road to recovery

♦ Rosie Williams, wife of Wayne Williams is in Mercy Hospital

♦ Julie Alexander has an aunt, Janet Ivy, who is in the hospital in Arkansas

♦ Continue to remember Carolyn Young's sister, Nita; Jean Evans, Lyle Mishler's sister; and Ruth Reaves' brother, Jim Hocker, who are dealing with cancer

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Jan Bowling and her family in the sudden loss of her aunt, Peggy Davidson. Funeral services were last Friday in West Plains.

We also extend our sympathy to Lance Griter who lost an uncle last week.

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 Mom

Brittany Morrison
(girl) (June)



Please extend a warm welcome to Evelyn Haguewood who let us know that she would like to work and worship with the Water Mill congregation. Her address is 2143 S. Brighton, 65804, phone # 417-877-0138. Some of you may remember Evelyn's mother, Johnnie Hatfield, who worshiped with North National for many years. Please make Evelyn feel welcome!

I wanted to write a thank you note to Leah Prewitt and all the ladies who spent many hours planning our Ladies Day, but the note below from one of our visitors says it all! Thanks for a special day.

Note from Marilyn:

Miss you—probably always will. I look forward to the newsletter each week. Would love to have you come visit—John Knox Village in Lee's Summit. I'm doing well. In Christian love and friendship, Marilyn Lanpher

Thank You

To all the Ladies: Thank you for preparing and planning a spiritual feast Saturday, April 12, 2014. I truly enjoyed it from the moment I walked through the doors! The speaker was amazing and inspirational as she modeled how to turn a physical set-back into a ministry for our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ! Again, thank you for such a beautiful time of fellowship with my sisters in Christ. With Gratitude, Carolyn Johnson

News & Activities



We hope you will join us tonight after services for the awards ceremony to honor our LTC participants and hand out the awards and medals they earned at the LTC Conference Friday and Saturday.

Church Directory



Photography Dates:

June 5, 6, 7

June 19, 20, 21

Watch for more info!!

Area Events

Gospel Meeting with Ron Stough
April 20-23 at the Bolivar Church of Christ

Ladies Day Mt. Hope Church of Christ in Webb City, April 26th
Gospel Meeting with Bill McFarland/Sparta Church of Christ/April 27-30

See Flyers on the Bulletin Board

Birthdays

28 Ashley Stockdale

29 Larry Baggett

Sara Deane

30 Kirk Tracy

5/3 Jo Baggett



Happy Birthday Norman!

Incoming Events



Our Graduates' Reception is scheduled for Sunday, May 18, after the evening service. **If you are**

graduating this spring or graduated last semester, please contact Carrie Lines or Adam as soon as possible so they can get pictures and graduation information.

⇒ Quilters **WILL MEET** Tuesday AT 10 AM.

⇒ May 3—Happy Hollow Cleanup Day

⇒ Book Club Meeting is May 12 at Linda Currier's home.

⇒ Our next **BLOOD DRIVE** is June 4. Watch for more information!



⇒ April 25-27 Hammond Mill Retreat. Deadline is Wednesday, April 16 so we can have t-shirt orders in. Leave Friday ~4:30-5:00ish. Returning Sunday ~1:30-2:00ish. Cost:\$25

⇒ May 31—AWY Summer Kickoff Event

Congratulations to Ruth & Denzil Raines on the safe arrival of a new great granddaughter, Blaine Ruth Henri. Unfortunately she lives in Wisconsin.

And whose great attribute is benevoence

FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of the following items for the Food Pantry.

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| Jelly | Canned Fruit |
| Jello/Pudding | Corn |

Place items in the cans just inside the fellowship room. Thank you for your continued support of this work.

Thank you so much to all who contributed to the needs of the family that Aaron told us about. They were overwhelmed with your outpouring of love and support. They were able to purchase medicine that was much needed as you had supplied their needed groceries. Thank you again from this family.

Check the Information Desk for a list of items needed to furnish apartments for homeless medical respite shelter. For more information or if you have questions see Aaron Morrison.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT!

By Dennis R. Smith



There are times in our lives when circumstances come upon us which leave us tired and weary. Even though the human body is "wonderfully made," like any other delicate machine, it is subject to wear and tear leaving it in a weakened state. As we live our lives, there will be disappointments and heartaches which we can expect. "Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of troubles" (Job 14:1); hence, we must learn to deal with these difficulties when they come. Knowing the promises of God and becoming obedient to them will certainly help as these things come upon us. Here are a few suggestions which may help when such should happen: (1) Knowing that it is "appointed unto man once to die" (Heb. 9:27) should cause us to want to live in harmony with our Heavenly Father's will, even "from the days of our youth" (Eccl. 12:1). (2) Doing the best we can each day to "Live peaceably with all men" (Rom. 12:18). (3) Learn early in life that our greatest fortune is not how much money we can accumulate but how many friends will always stand by us (John 15:13). (4) Live life in such a way that you can and will be proud of it (1st Pet. 3:10). (5) Try to accomplish something every day that will be helpful to your fellow man and pleasing unto God (Gal. 6:10). (6) Do not "think more highly of yourself than you ought to think" (Rom. 12:3). (7) Make sure you are fully "prepared to meet thy God" (Amos 4:12). **Something to Think About!**

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....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
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 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: Jill Morrison/Meredith Reaves
Greeters: Eddie & Donna Sanders
Van Driver: Sam Hansen/818-2077

KYB Phone: Norma Lorenz/Johnnie Elliff

Serve Kyle Buckner/Brendan Carroll
Communion: Aubrey Cobb/Tom Davis
 William Downing/John Dutton
 Chris Wiseman/Verl Duncan
 Briley Ewing/Jackie Freeze

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Jon Davis
Opening Prayer: Jack Lynch
Lesson: Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer: Matt Keener
Communion: Fred Lorenz/Jason Luna
Nursery: Lee Ann Donoho

NEXT WEEK, April 27

AM

PM

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| Song Leader: | Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing | Jon Davis |
| Opening Prayer: | Larry Baggett | David Kern |
| Communion: | John Hulett | F. Lorenz/J. Luna |
| Closing Prayer: | Aaron Alexander | Todd Kraus |
| Greeters: | John & Lisa Stayton | |
| AM Nursery: | Gin Crumrine/Meredith Reaves | |
| PM Nursery: | Donna Jordan | |
| Van Driver: | Russell Lilly/839-4048 | |

MONTH OF APRIL

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

Wednesday, April 23

Devotional: Byron Nichols
Song Leader: Briley Ewing
Prayer: Travis Morrison
Van Driver: Tim Stockstill/
 849-7678