

WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

May 4, 2014

Order of Worship

Song Leader Jon Ewing

> #874 #762

Opening Prayer John Mahon

> #419 #916

The Lord's Supper Fred Lorenz

#209

Contribution Fred Lorenz

#40

Lesson Bill McFarland

#495

Announcements Eddie Sanders

#947

Closing Prayer Tom Norrell

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

About Our Work

It was good to work with our brothers and sisters at Sparta for a few days. As always, they were kind and encouraging to us, and we were glad to see many friends from the area. We did a series on the theme "O to Grace How Great a Debtor." I am grateful to you for making it possible for me to be involved in such efforts, and for supporting us in them with your presence. Thanks to Byron for teaching my class on short notice. I know you also appreciated the messages presented by Dennis and Adam last Lord's day.

Series on Family Beginning Next Sunday

Starting with Mother's Day and continuing through Father's Day, in our Sunday morning assemblies we will be thinking through a six part series on the Bible and the family. This is a time of the year when many events which are very meaningful to families are occurring. This is also a point within history when the family-related propositions with which the culture preoccupies itself are not the basic principles which strengthen the fabric of family. Our new series will pursue those spiritual principles. It will be practical in nature. Pray for families as our series begins and while we are working our way through it. Plan to be with us each Lord's day. Invite a friend to consider the Bible and the family with us.

For Guys: "The Mouse Trap" Class

Men and young men, this is for you. Beginning next Saturday, May 10, you are invited to join us for a video class on "The Mouse Trap." It addresses the dangers of internet pornography and the addictions which may be associated with it. The author and producer of this series is Ryan Butterfield, a Christian who is a certified therapist. The material is well done, very informative, and will not only help us as individuals but also equip us to help friends. I will host the class. We will start the video at 8:15 and you can get away by 9:30. I will provide the coffee and donuts for those who can get here a little early. We will meet every other Saturday as we work through the material. I encourage you to check this class out.

Bible Reading and Prayer

This week we are at a great place in our daily Bible readings–Romans–and we have many reasons to draw near to the throne of grace to make intercession and to offer thanks. Each day, hear something from the Lord, say something to him, and do something for him.

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

-Bill McFarland

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 27 Bible Study: 226 Morning: 300 Evening: 169 Wednesday (4/30): 200 Contribution: \$8,963



Elder of the Month Eddie Sanders

- Scudulty Continue to remember <u>Eula Compton</u>, <u>Thelma Fain</u>, <u>Greg</u>
 - <u>Norman High</u> as he deals with cancer
- ◆ Jackie Freeze is in Mercy Hospital feeling some better than when he went in; no visitors because of his low immune system but cards of encouragement would be welcome
- ◆ <u>Dale Harp</u> has been in the hospital but has been moved back to Mercy Villa, room 329 for rehab.
- <u>Denzil Raines</u> is now at home
- ♦ <u>Wayne Harmon's</u> hernia surgery went well; he is now at home
- <u>Ruth Raines</u> as she continues to deal with severe back problems and make decisions about her treatment
- <u>Bill White</u> as he is dealing with severe pain in his hip
- ♦ <u>Kay Adams</u> is at Jordan Creek Nursing and Rehab, 910 SW Avenue, 65802.
- ◆ <u>Julie Alexander</u> is at Willard Care Center, Room 203A, 400 Walnut Lane, Willard, MO, 65781
- ♦ <u>Jerry Gillespie</u> and Lanae will go back to St. Louis Wednesday for more testing. After that they will know if he is accepted into the program to use the new drug.
- Friends & Family
- ♦ Former long-time member at North National, <u>George Riley</u>, has been diagnosed with Lymphoma cancer. He and Helen live in San Diego.
- Debbie Kern's cousin's husband has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- ♦ Janice Newell has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer; cards of encouragement can be sent to 1856 SE Barlow Court, Bartlesville, OK 74006.
- Jon Ewing's brother, <u>Mike Ewing</u>, is now back at his mom's home. He is doing well and will start treatment this week.
- ◆ <u>Matthew Patterson</u>, Mary Jo Rookstool's grandson, who is now in Afghanistan
- Continue to remember Carolyn Young's sister, <u>Nita</u>; <u>Jean Evans</u>, Lyle Mishler's sister; and Ruth Reaves' brother, <u>Jim Hocker</u>, who are dealing with cancer

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to David Kern and his family in the loss of his uncle, Jesse Whitaker.

"The Golden Messenger for May is available at various pickup points in the foyer. There is a special article to mothers. Please read." (Dennis)

PROMOTION DAY FOR OUR KIDS' BIBLE CLASSES HAS BEEN MOVED TO <u>AUGUST 3RD</u>.

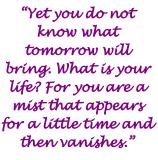




<u>Birthdays</u> 13 Elizabeth Lilly 15 Barbara Barnes 17 Coyeatte Ewing Mackynzi Sekulic Long Term/ Shut-ins Kay Adams Shirley Bartlett Doris Burch Eula Compton Fern Davis Thelma Fain Ella Mae Findlay Chloe Gaddis Mary Head Doris Iorg Doris Tobler Judy Todd Pat Woods

Expectant Mom

Brittany Morrison (girl) (June)



Have you

misplaced your

Bible? There

continues to be a

stack of Bibles on the

table next to the coat

room. Check them out!

James 4:14

News & Activities



SIGN UP TODAY FOR YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION! Stop by

the Information Desk and get signed up. For those of you who receive the e-mail updates, you should have received the link that allows you to sign up online if you prefer to do so. Photography Dates: June 5, 6 (2-9 pm) June 7 (10 am -5 pm)

June 19, 20 (2—9 pm) June 21 (10 am—5 pm)



<u>Thursday Ladies</u> <u>Bible Class</u>

meets Thursday at 10:30 with potluck lunch to follow. Elaine Poland from Carthage will bring the lesson. Elaine is a great Bible scholar and always has interesting displays to go with her lessons. We look forward to her coming.



Our Graduates' Reception is scheduled for Sunday, *May 18*, after the evening service. Our graduates are: *Amber Alexander - Central H.S. Kyle Buckner - Republic H.S. Todd Kraus - MSU Tina Orum - Drury Alyssa Tillman - Marshfield H.S. Isaac Tovar - Homeschool*

 \Rightarrow <u>Golden Agers</u> meet today at 4 p.m.

- \Rightarrow May 6—<u>Quilters</u> meet at 10 a.m.
- \Rightarrow May 11—MOTHER'S DAY
- ⇒ <u>Book Club Meeting</u> is May 12 at Linda Currier's home.
- \Rightarrow May 13—<u>Elders</u> meet at 1 p.m.
- \Rightarrow Our next **BLOOD DRIVE** is June 4. Watch for more information!

⇒May 17 and June 16 from 10 am - 4 pm are the 2 days we have selected for WMY work days at Thrift Haven for those going on the Wyoming trip.

⇒May 31—<u>AWY Summer Kickoff</u> <u>Event</u>

Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

Elders

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Adam Blaney

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

Staff

Johnnie Elliff Tim Bowling Secretary Custodian



THINGS EQUAL TO THEMSELVES

By Dennis R. Smith

In the mathematical community there is an equation long accepted which also is true in other areas; even those dealing with the commandments of our Lord. "Things equal to the same are equal to each other." For example: To form a rectangle you must have 4 sides forming a figure with four straight sides and four right angles, and with equal adjacent sides. If the two ends measure the same, then the bottom and the top will have to be of equal length with each other. Now let us see how this should hold true in our relationship to God. Prior to one partaking of the Lord's Supper, the Apostle Paul advised, "*But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body" (1st Cor. 11:28-29). This was to be practiced "<i>each first day of the week" (Acts 20:7)* and it constituted one of the five acts of public worship in the first century church. Using the equation of this article, shouldn't we give equal consideration to our singing, praying, preaching and our giving, all of which are to be carried out with the same intensity and dedication as is true with the Lord's Supper? All of the above is a makeup of our faith. Consider this: "*Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates" (2nd Cor. 13:5)? Things equal to the same are equal to each other with God also! This is a part of "Loving the Lord with all our hearts, etc" (Matt. 22:37).*

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 Joev & 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: Greeters: Van Driver: KYB Phone: | Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett Randy & Orvella Blackburn Kevin Wuench/833-6134 Adam & Sara Stipp | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Serve Communion: | Oran Green/Matt Keener Dale Gregory/David Kern Sam Hansen/Todd Kraus Byrle Hayter/Trevor Kraus Tucker Jobes/Russell Lilly | | | |
| THIS EVENING | | | | |
| Song Leader: | Adam Blaney | | | |
| Opening Prayer: Scott Nichols | | | | |
| Lesson: | Bill McFarland | | | |
| Closing Prayer | Tim Stockstill | | | |

Nursery:

Aaron Morrison/Steve Pre **Communion:** Lisa Stayton/Emily Simon

NEXT WEEK, May 11

AM

Song Leader: Opening Prayer: Andy McFarland Jason Luna **Communion: Bob Snider Closing Prayer:**

Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Adam Blaney Grant Schaper A. Morrison/S. Prewitt **Dustin Stokes**

Wednesday, May 7

PM

| Greeters: | Gail White/Norma Lorenz |
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| AM Nursery: | Pat Malanowski/Orvella Blackburn |
| PM Nursery: | Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll |
| Van Driver: | AM: James Simons/ PM: Tucker Jobes |

MONTH OF MAY

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| | AV Room: | Scott Barton/ Bruce Tindall | Devotional: | Jim Reaves |
| | Open Building | Tim Timmons | Song Leader: Prayer: | Travis Morrison Barney Crawford |
| ewitt ns | Secure Building: | Justin Reaves/ Tim Buckner | Van Driver: | Jason Luna/ 838-7152 |