

Order of Worship

Song Leader Jon Ewing

#866 #898 "Father God"

Opening Prayer John Hulett

> #215 #730

The Lord's Supper Barney Crawford

#853

Contribution Barney Crawford

"Every Time I Kneel to Pray" #883

Lesson Bill McFarland

#40

Announcements Bob Snider

Closing Prayer Bob Snider

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



Weekly Newsletter

July 27, 2014

New Sunday Evening Series

"Living Water for Thirsty Souls" will be our theme on Sunday evenings beginning today and continuing through the end of August. Based on the Lord's conversation with the woman at the well in the fourth chapter of John, this series starts with the deep spiritual needs all human beings have in common, moves through the dead ends we commonly pursue in our search for fulfillment, and finally brings us face to face with the Christ who offers water that wells up to real life. This is a line of thought I got to work on a couple of years ago but have not found the right time to share with you yet. I figure we may all benefit from being around a river of living water as we pass through August! Please join us for these six Sunday evenings if you can.

Promotion Day In Our Bible School

Next Lord's Day, August 3, will be the time when we begin the new year in our Bible classes. Our young people will move up to their next room, and several of our adult classes will also begin new studies. It's a great time to renew our interest and involvement, to thank and encourage teachers, to pray for the good work of teaching people of all ages to observe all that the Lord has commanded, and to offer friends new opportunities to participate. We've moved this occasion up a month this year because all our area schools are getting started earlier and this seems to fit better. We hope everyone will use this as an occasion to "boost our Bible school!"

Thanks To My Camp Friends

I have mentioned to you before that a week of Bible camp can include as much time in the Lord's word as a full quarter of classes. That is one reason why I have invested the third week of July in a camp session for many years. I thought we had a good one this year. We did our week on "Christ: What We All Need Most." Our young people from here were great. So were our folks who served as staff members. Many, many thanks to Adam Blaney, Alissa and Alice Buckner, Jon and Coyeatte Ewing, J.J. and Ashley Blevins, and Jeremy Thurlkill. Thanks to Johnnie and Adam for their extra work on the camp books. Special thanks to Kay for all her work, both before and during the week. Thanks also to everyone who filled in with things here while we were working on camp.

-Bill McFarland

Frayer 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		
July 20		
Bible Study:	228	
Morning:	330	
Evening:	180	
Wednesday (7/23):	178	
Contribution: \$7,	259	



Elder of the Month Bob Snider

Continue to remember <u>Eula Compton</u>, <u>Thelma Fain</u>, <u>Dale Harp, Ruth</u> Chaucis Raines, Jerry Gillespie, Bill White, Lori McCall, David Nimmo

◆ Jackie Freeze is in Barnes Hospital in St. Louis; his chemo treatments will continue through Tuesday and the bone marrow transplant is scheduled for Thursday. Cards can be sent to him at Barnes Jewish Hospital, 4921 Parkview Place, Room 5925, St. Louis, MO 63110. Use this link for e-cards: http://www.barnesjewish.org/EGreeting/?

id=530&sid=1.

- Evelyn Haguewood is recovering from her health issues at James River Nursing Home.
- Connie Fortner is having some health issues and will see the doctor Tuesday for further testing.
- Verl Duncan had surgery this past week to replace the spinal cord stimulator in his back with a new one

Friends & Family

- Jon Ewing's brother, Mike Ewing, and his mom, Joan Ewing
- ♦ Matthew Patterson, Mary Jo Rookstool's grandson, who is in Afghanistan
- ◆ Amanda Eilenstein's uncle, **Richard Fredendall**, has leukemia and is now taking chemo.
- Lanae Gillespie's cousin, Jeannie Treat Qualls, who has multiple myeloma and is in the hospital in Little Rock



We extend our sympathy to Kerry Cole and his family in the loss of his step-mother, Joyce, who passed away 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**



Thanks to all who delivered the "Make Someone Smile" arrangements this past week. Also, thanks to Flowers A Plenty for providing the flowers.



I would like to thank everyone that provided meals for us during my recovery from back surgery. Also for all the prayers, visits and cards during my stay in the hospital and after I came home. We would also like to thank Dennis and Carolyn for sitting with us at the hospital during surgery, and Frances Grann for keeping in touch with our family about my progress. In Christian love, David Nimmo and family



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August Anniversaries 1st—15th 2 Gregory/Nancy Johnson 6 yrs. 5 Adam/Sara Stipp 9 yrs. 7 Dave/Pat Blackburn 54 yrs. 8 Jerry/Lanae Gillespie 44 yrs. 11 Don/Gayle Gaunt 52 yrs. 13 Matt/Sara Keener 15 yrs. 15 Charles/Susan Crum 34 yrs. 15 Todd/Brandi Kraus 16 yrs. **Congratulations**

News & Activities



PROMOTION DAY FOR OUR BIBLE CLASSES IS NEXT SUNDAY. WE HOPE YOU WILL PLAN TO BE PRESENT WITH YOUR CHILDREN! NOW IS A GREAT TIME TO **GET INVOLVED!!**

Upcoming Events

Our next blood drive is Wednesday, August 13, ginning at 4 p.m. We had a record 24 who were able to donate at our last drive. Watch for sign- up sheets!	Bible 8/2	27-Aug. 2— <u>Happy Hollow</u> <u>Camp</u> —Travis & Jason <u>James River Nursing Home</u> and Singing at 2 p.m. <u>In Agers</u> meet next Sunday .m. - <u>Elders</u> meet at 1 p.m. ext <u>book club meeting</u> will <u>otember 8th</u> . We are ng books by Jane Austen.	Gol Dennis S Youth Adam B Scott Ba Tim Bow Tim Buck Tom Dav
• <u>Christ Quest</u> at Mountain Home August 1-3. \$10 registration fee for your shirt. Pay Adam ASAP.	WE HAVE MOVED!	<u>Change of Address</u> Bill and Gail White 3940 N. Delaware Springfield, MO 65803	Jim Ellif Jon Ewin Matt Kee Johnnie E Tim Rowli

Elders, Ministers, **Deacons & Staff**

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Secretary Custodian



Leave at 4 p.m. August 1.

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THE DANGERS OF CONFORMITY

(phone # the same)

By Dennis R. Smith

One of the great chapters of the Bible is Romans 12. It is like a deep well of water that keeps supplying the cool, sweet waters of the will of God. Let's look at the second verse as a text for this article. "Be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" (Romans 12:2). I have used the word "conformity" which means to be like someone else. I suppose to some extent this has been a problem for many years with most of us. The old expression, "keeping up with the Joneses" is more in harmony with what I am talking about. There are many ways in which this applies. Sometimes it may be style or just being a part of the "in crowd" - but whatever - we must be sure we are not violating one of God's Laws for the welfare and happiness of ourselves or someone else. Each person is an original! Surely we all know that you can take an original and copy it over and over and it soon loses its clarity as well as its value. The beautiful old hymn "Just As I Am" sets the stage of what God desires of us. We do not have to wear a narrow and long or a short and wide necktie - or perhaps even a bow tie- just because our friend wears one. Surely you get the message. But if you think you must be like someone else, try the Apostle Paul. He said, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ" (1st Cor. 11:1). Sound Advice!

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship5:00 PM
Wednesday Night Bible Class7:00 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

Greeters:

THIS MORNING

Nursery:	Meredith Reaves
Greeters:	Jack & Rose Lynch
Van Driver:	Russell Lilly/839-4048
KYB:	Carolyn Young/Johnnie Elliff
Serve	Steve Prewitt/Jerry Stockdale
Communion:	Eddie Sanders/Dustin Stokes
	Aaron Schwartz/Tyler Thornton
	James Simons/Luis Tovar
	John Stayton/Kevin Westerman

THIS EVENING

Song Leader:	Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer:	Paul Lines
Lesson:	Bill McFarland
Closing Prayer:	Grant Schaper
Communion:	Jon/Briley Ewing
Nursery:	Donna Jordan/M. Reaves

NEXT WEEK, August 3

	AM	PM
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Briley Ewing
Opening Prayer:	Larry Baggett	Tyler Thornton
Communion:	Tom Davis	Todd/Trevor Kraus
Closing Prayer:	Tom Easterly	Trenton Essex
Nursery AM:	Donna Jordan/Michell	e Hulett
Nursery PM:	Lisa Stayton	

Jerry & Pat Milligan Van Driver: Adam Stipp/844-6564

MONTH OF JULY

AV Room: Open Building	Scott Barton/ Bruce Tindall Tim Timmons	Devotional: Song Leader: Prayer:	John Dutton Adam Blaney Andy McFarland
Secure Building:	Tim Buckner	Van Driver:	Jason Luna/ 838-7152

Wednesday, July 30