

WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

April 5, 2015

Order of Worship

Song Leader Jon Ewing

> #442 #544

Opening Prayer Tom Davis

> #380 #359

The Lord's Supper Andy McFarland

Contribution
Andy McFarland

"In Christ Alone" #950

*Lesson*Bill McFarland

#50

Announcements
Barney Crawford

#516

Closing Prayer Tyler Thornton

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



About Our Work

We welcome all of you to our meeting as the church on the first day of the week, the day Christ was raised from the tomb (Matt. 28:1-6). Every week when the Lord's people gather on the Lord's day to partake of the Lord's table it is a special occasion. It is always so encouraging to have guests present, and if you are one today, thank you for being with us.

My family and I owe you who are members of this congregation a debt of gratitude for your loving fellowship in sorrow and in joy. First, thank you very much for your sympathy and support for Kay in what her side of our family has been going through these past several months. Your understanding and encouragement all along has been important to her folks and to us. More recently, and especially, we want to say thank you for your presence with us in the valley of the shadow, for so many cards, dishes of food brought by our home, the meal served to us a couple of Sundays ago, the beautiful plant, and the contributions to the children's home. We appreciate your kindness.

Second, thank you very much for what you did to celebrate with us the thirtieth anniversary of our partnership in this work. We are thankful to the Lord for the privilege of serving and for a congregation who will try to remember. We appreciate your thoughtfulness, and we thank our elders for inviting Rob to speak. We thank you who served, or set up, or shared kind reflections about what we have tried to do together. Thank you for all the wonderful cards and notes, and, as always, for your generosity toward us. We consider ourselves blessed in many ways.

If you will permit me to do so, I would like to offer some response to these thirty years in our service this evening. I will do it in the form of observations from the New Testament about the relationship between church and preacher. Besides the connection with what we did last Sunday, this relates to our ongoing thinking about spiritual leadership for the church, now and in the future. Please be with us if you can.

Since I have to be away next week to speak in a gospel meeting, on the Lord's day after that we will return to our line of thought about the servant leaders who shepherd the flock of God. We will begin considering what the scriptures say about their task and the kind of men it takes to attend to it. Please remember to be doing what we learned thus far: be praying.

-Bill McFarland

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

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 March 29

Bible Study: 272
Morning: 357
Evening: 186
Wednesday (4/1): 193
Contribution: \$20,907



Elder of the Month
Barney Crawford

Trayer List & Notes

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

Cecil Lines

Sandra Pengenot

Sherry Sherman

Nancy Snider Doris Tobler

Judy Todd

Pat Woods

Expectant Mom

Danielle Horton

Prayer

◆ Continue to remember <u>Eula Compton</u>, <u>Mary Head, Dale Harp</u>, <u>Shawna Stockdale</u>, <u>Rachel Lilly</u>, <u>Donna Sanders</u>, <u>Bonnie Cole</u>, <u>Sherry Sherman</u>, <u>Cecil Lines</u>

- ♦ <u>Thelma Pendergrass</u> is at the Manor at Elfindale in <u>room 305</u>; she has some serious health issues
- ♦ Nadean Green has been in Cox South this past week
- ♦ <u>Jackie Buck</u> is awaiting tests results from recent tests
- ♦ Kay Adams has been in the hospital recently and is not doing well
- ♦ <u>Danielle Horton</u> as she deals with heart problems and pregnancy.

Friends & Family

- ♦ Billie Luna's daughter-in-law, <u>Karen Luna</u>, is dealing with serious liver problems.
- ♦ Bill and Pat Culley's daughter, <u>Valerie Larson</u>, who is dealing with breast cancer; cards could be sent c/o Bill and Pat
- ♦ Shirlane Horton's step-dad, <u>Jim Long</u>, had heart surgery last Friday
- ♦ Denzil & Ruth Raines' granddaughter, <u>Maranda Henry</u>, who lives in Wisconsin is having some health problems and may have lupus.
- ◆ Norma Lorenz's niece, <u>Debbie</u>, has been moved to a rehab facility in Norman, OK
- ◆ Jon Ewing's brother, <u>Mike</u>, is at Mercy Villa, Faith Unit, Room 223, with Hospice. Treatments have been stopped for now due to the blood clots. Also remember Jon's mom <u>Joan Ewing</u>.
- ♦ Anita Cobb's sister, <u>Madena Lakey</u>, is in a nursing home in West Plains.
- ♦ Carolyn Young's sister Nita is in the hospital in Joplin
- ♦ Continue to remember Gaitha's mother-in-law, <u>Joyce Harmon</u>, who is dealing with breast cancer



Our hearts are saddened by the loss of our dear friend and sister in Christ, Sharon Joseph, who ended her journey on this earth late Friday evening. We offer our sincere sympathy to Clay and the family in their great loss as we all mourn with them the loss of a great friend and Christian lady.

Dennis saw his doctor Monday and got a glowing report. He can go back to doing all the things he was doing before his minor setback. However, he is going to take the next few weeks off from his duties as "Golden Age Minister" and probably spend more time on the John Deere. He thanks you for all your gentle and kind caring acts over the last 2 weeks.

Thank you so much for my beautiful cards and the phone calls and a special thanks for the prayers. What would we do without each other? My love to all. Bonnie Cole

KERRY WANTED TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR THE BEAUTIFUL SONG SERVICE LAST SUNDAY.

Daily Bible Reading Schedules for the 2nd Quarter are available on the Information Desk. If you are behind, just pick up a schedule and start back with us TODAY. And don't forget, you can listen to a familiar voice reading each day's selection by going to www.watermillchurchofchrist.org and clicking on "Today's Bible Reading."

News & Activities

Our LTC participants and their mentors have been off to Rogers the last couple of days, but they have all been working on their projects for many weeks. We are proud of them. We thank all the families who make such things possible. TONIGHT AFTER EVENING SERVICES WE WILL HAVE A PREVIEW AND AWARDS CEREMONY. HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US!



SPRING LADIES DAY

April 25 / 10 a.m.—1 p.m.

"God's Love Is International"

Sign-up sheets are on the Information Desk. There are also sign-up sheets for food and table decorating. DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS WEDNESDAY NIGHT. For more information see Lora Luna, Gaitha Downing, Megan Jobes or Lisa Stayton

On <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 7 and 21</u>, <u>at 10 a.m.</u> the ladies will be working on cancer caps. **They really need your help.** If you can cut, sew, iron, etc. and can spare a couple of hours, your help would be greatly appreciated. **Bring your favorite pair of fabric scissors**.



- 12-15—Bill in gospel meeting in Guthrie, OK
- Elders meet April 14 at 1 p.m.
- Next book club meeting May 11th



LADIES BIBLE STUDY

"Beyond The Masquerade"
Each Thursday at 10:30 a.m.
April 9 — "Rattling Skeletons in
Your Closet" - Ann Thiesen
COME JOIN US FOR THIS
EXCITING STUDY!!

Birthdays Landon Marsh 6 Jon Davis Devin Nimmo Carl Tindall 8 Ola Jean Feeney 9 Julie Thornton 10 Sherry Carlyle Isaac Tovar 13 Mark Breckner 15 Brigett Breckner

16 Darren Wake

17 Fern Davis



April Anniversaries

3 Travis/Jill Morrison 16 yrs.
6 John/Lisa Stayton 19 yrs.
7 Gaylen/Dedra Jones 25 yrs.
11 Carl/Yvonne Tindall 61 yrs.
13 Mark/Deniece Breckner 21 yrs.
18 Jeff/Elaina Treat 28 yrs.
23 Chris/Regina Wiseman 16 yrs.
26 Byrle/Virginia Hayter 52 yrs.
Happy Anniversary

Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

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 Eddie Sanders
 417-833-5712

 Bob Snider
 417-833-3498

 Jerry Young
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Minister

Bill McFarland 417-833-0110

Golden Age Minister

Dennis Smith 417-866-6918

Youth/Associate Minister

Adam Blaney 304-520-9800

Deacons

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

Staff

Johnnie Elliff Secretary
Tim Bowling Custodian



April 17—6 to 9 p.m.

May 8—6 to 9 p.m.

Sign-up at the

Information Desk

New phone # for Lyle Mishler 417-484-1057 (cell)

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

World Christian Broadcasting Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Fair Haven Children's Home

Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions

"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

Nursery: Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett

Greeters: Jack & Rose Lynch
Van Driver: Michelle Hulett/889-5344

KYB: Norma Lorenz/Carolyn Young

Serve Jason Luna/Gene Lund
Communion: Scott Nichols/Tom Norrell

Steve Prewitt/Eddie Sanders James Simons/John Stayton Jerry Stockdale/Ron Stokes

THIS EVENING

Song Leader:John MahonOpening Prayer:Byron NicholsLesson:Bill McFarlandClosing Prayer:Tim Bowling

Communion: Jerry Young/J. Davis **Nursery:** Lisa Stayton/E. Simons

NEXT WEEK, April 12

AM PM

Song Leader:Kerry Cole/Jon EwingJohn MahonOpening Prayer:Carl TindallBrendan CarrollCommunion:Jerry MilliganJerry Young/J. Davis

Closing Prayer: Larry Baggett Brian Carroll

Greeters: Gene & Ruth Lund

Van Driver: Tyler Thornton/840-6303

AM Nursery Meredith Reaves

PM Nursery Alice Buckner/Jenny Carroll

MONTH OF APRIL

AV Scott Barton/ Room: Bruce Tindall

Open Tim Timmons

Building

Secure Tim Buckner

Building:

Wednesday, April 8

Devotional: Jeff Treat
Song Leader: JJ Blevins
Prayer: Oran Green
Van Driver: Jason Luna/

838-7152