



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

December 20, 2015

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Jon Davis

#362 (1,3)

Scripture Reading

#647 (1,2,3)

#36 (1,3,4,5)

Opening Prayer
John Mahon

#217

The Lord's Supper
Van Barnes

Contribution
Van Barnes

#287 (1,3)

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#520

Announcements
Jon Ewing

#646 (1)

Closing Prayer
Adam Stipp



"Grace to you and peace."

As the letters of the New Testament often greet all of us, so do we extend our greetings to all of you as this year is coming to its conclusion. "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." That blessing is what we hope for you and your loved ones during this holiday season.

We all wish to express our gratitude to you for the cards, expressions of kindness, and thoughtful acts with which you have blessed us during this time. Thank you for thinking of us. Even more, we want you to know that we appreciate your understanding, support, and encouragement throughout the year. We give thanks for having had the privilege of being coworkers with you in the Lord.

Life has certainly brought its changes this year, as we are sure it will the next. We remember journeys finished, graduations celebrated, and transitions made. We recognize disappointments endured and opportunities presented. We give thanks for new little ones, additional shepherds, and families who have come to bless us. We pray for the Lord's mercy and comfort as we move ahead.

Sometimes this year those of us who have ministered to you have needed you to minister to us. We are deeply grateful to you who have recognized that circumstance, and have faithfully and thoughtfully cared for us. We love you for it.

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." That is our prayer for you and yours, and for this whole congregation, both now and throughout the new year.

—Tim, Dennis, Adam, Bill, Johnnie

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

December 13

Bible Study:	231
Morning:	298
Evening:	172
Wednesday (12/16):	194
Contribution:	\$13,615



Elder of the Month

Jon Ewing

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Rachel Lilly, Marsha Bower, Dale Harp, Thelma Pendergrass, Doris Burch, Jackie Buck, Tim Timmons
- ◆ Jerry Gillespie is now in a care facility in Arkansas.
- ◆ Bill Culley is steadily improving; Jim Reaves is now home
- ◆ Helen Coltrane is recovering from hip replacement surgery
- ◆ Elizabeth Lilly is recovering from knee replacement surgery
- ◆ Denzil Raines fell recently and is still having a lot of trouble with his leg and back.
- ◆ Julie Alexander is in Cox South ICU but is slowly improving
- ◆ Seldon Essex had a heart attack last week but is doing ok now; keep him in your prayers as he has more tests & deals with health issues
- ◆ Kyle Buckner is recovering from surgery for a torn ACL and a torn meniscus.

Friends & Family

- ◆ Coyeatte Ewing's dad, Jim Hammond, is in ICU at the hospital in West Plains with serious health issues; also keep her mother and the family in your prayers.
- ◆ Mary Ann Wood, friend of Bob & Leona, has serious health issues.
- ◆ Leah Freeze's mom, Glynda Gardner, and Ruth Reaves' brother, Jimmie Hocker, as they deal with cancer; Lance Griter's grandpa, John Berglund, is at Woodland Manor (on Valley Water Mill), C24, and would love visits.
- ◆ Debra Davis' 19-year old great-niece, Courtney Price, has been diagnosed with AML leukemia; if you would like to send a card, her address is Ms. Courtney Price – P4, American Family Children's Hospital, 1675 Highland Avenue, Madison, WI 53792.

Thank you!

As most of you know, Clay was always encouraging us to remember the church in our wills. This past week we received a check and the following note from Monty:

It was dad's wish that the church there receive this check. I think you know how much he loved all of you! Not many folks can say they have worked and worshipped with a church family for over 50 years like my parents did. My brothers and I will always be indebted to you—not only for the wonderful place of love, acceptance, instruction and encouragement you were to us in our growing up years, but also for the way that you loved and cared for our parents all those many years. We love you all very much for that! Love, Monty (for Mitch, Mark & Morey)

Holiday Schedule

On December 30 we will have a year-end devotional time with no classes. There will be classes as usual on 12/23. As always, if you are in town, we would love to have you join us for this special devotional period.

Bible Classes (7th Grade thru Adult)

Sunday AM

Adult	A Family's Life	Fellowship Room	Bill McFarland
Adult	Discovering Jesus	Room 126	David Kern
Adult	Letters to the Seven Churches of Asia	Auditorium	Byron Nichols
Adult	The Portrait of God	Room 129	Jon Ewing
Adult	Chronological Study of the Bible	Room 130	Paul Lines
Grades 7-12	The Story	Room 122	Adam Blaney

Wednesday PM

Adult	That We May Share His Holiness	Auditorium	Bill McFarland
Adult	The Scripture That Impacted You Most	Rm. 126	Matt Keener
Women	C.E. Feeney Chart lessons restudied	Rm. 129	Linda Barnett
College Age	The Treasure Chest of Grace	Rm. 130	Scott Barton
Grades 10-12	The Heart of a Servant	Rm. 122	Adam Blaney
Grades 7-9	The Heart of a Servant	Rm. 118	JJ Blevins



News & Activities

IMPORTANT DATES



Feeding the Homeless and Underprivileged

**TODAY
IMMEDIATELY
AFTER AM
SERVICE -**

806 North Jefferson Ave

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GREAT RESPONSE!**

Friday evening, February 5 through Sunday noon, February 7, we will have a guest speaker, Lonnie Jones, from Huntsville, AL bring us a series of lessons that will be very beneficial to all. **MARK YOUR CALNDARS AND MAKE PLANS TO BE IN TOWN THAT WEEKEND FOR THIS IMPORTANT SERIES. WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION!**

Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

Elders

Scott Barton	417-234-2679
Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Jon Ewing	417-569-8698
Eddie Sanders	417-833-5712
Bob Snider	417-833-3498
Jerry Young	417-724-0324

Minister

Bill McFarland	417-833-0110
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Youth/Associate Minister

Adam Blaney	304-520-9800
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Deacons

Tim Buckner	Aaron Morrison
Tom Davis	Travis Morrison
Jim Elliff	James Simons
Matt Keener	John Stayton
Russell Lilly	Mike Thurlkill

Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian



There will be a soup and sandwich luncheon on January 3 after the morning service. Bring your favorite soups, chili, sandwiches and, of course, desserts.



◆ 1/9 WMY annual hike

- ◆ 1/15-17—Y.O.U.
- ◆ 2/21—Areawide Youth Night at Water Mill
- ◆ 3/25-27—LTC Convention
- ◆ 6/7-16—West Virginia Mission Trip

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Happy Birthday

December Birthdays

20 Shirlane Horton
23 Gabby Gellan
24 Greg Donoho
24 Linda Tracy
27 Josiah Downing
28 Eddie Currier
29 John Dutton
30 Lynn Luallin



Thank You



Thank you so much to all those who have been so busy helping others. The Thursday Ladies Bible Class finished the year with a wonderful lunch and then packed and delivered basket's of sweets to our shut-ins.

Thank you for the quick response for items to help the homeless kids at Hillcrest. Those things were delivered yesterday and they were overwhelmed with your generosity.

We received a wonderful Christmas letter (update) from former member Marilyn Lanpher this past week. Take a moment to stop by the bulletin board and read it.



Contribution envelopes are available in

my work room for you to pick up. If you used the envelopes this year, your name is on the box with the same number for 2016. If you have not been using the envelopes but wish to do so in 2016, feel free to take one of the boxes that does not have a name on it and write your name and number on the pad. See me if you have any questions.

Johnnie

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
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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 Tuesday - Friday



Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

Greeters: Alice Buckner/C. Westerman
KYB: Randy & Orvella Blackburn
Van Driver: Dustin Stokes/840-8160

Serve David Kern//Todd Kraus
Communion: Paul Lines/Jason Luna
 Gene Lund/Gabe Mahon
 Travis Morrison/Byron Nichols
 Brian Carroll/Brock Snitker

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer: Todd Kraus
Lesson: Adam Blaney
Closing Prayer: Mike Thurlkill
Communion: Tucker Jobes/Jon Davis

NEXT WEEK, December 27

	AM	PM
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Adam Blaney
Opening Prayer:	Matt Keener	John Mahon
Communion:	Randy Blackburn	T. Jobes/J. Davis
Closing Prayer:	Andy McFarland	James Simons
Greeters:	Ron & Lisa Stokes	
Van Driver:	Brock Snitker/405-694-9774	

MONTH OF December

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

Wednesday, December 23

Devo John Mahon
Song Leader JJ Blevins
Prayer Eddie Currier
Van Driver: Jason Luna/
 838-7152