



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

3020 North Barnes Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803; 417-866-0915

December 27, 2015

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#1 (1, 2, 3)
#146

Opening Prayer
Matt Keener

#523 (1, 2, 4)
"How Deep Is The
Father's Love"

The Lord's Supper
Randy Blackburn

Contribution
Randy Blackburn

#190

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#141

Announcements
Jon Ewing

#243 (1, 3)

Closing Prayer
Andy McFarland



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.

He Was Praying

It is fascinating to look in on our Lord at prayer. It is also an enlightening and encouraging privilege. We are surely upon holy ground.

Though he had authority to command and to be obeyed by both the natural world and the spirit world (Mk. 1:22-27; 4:39-41), he prayed. That must mean that prayer is about something more than getting what we want. It is about drawing near to the heart of the Father and communing with Him.

Though people for whom he had compassion were all around and there was so much to do (Mk. 1:32-34, 40-41), he prayed. He put prayer before their demands. That reminds us that our purpose is not just to get something done. It is to be someone who walks with God.

Though things were happening one after the other, immediately, and he could have used the rest, he prayed. In fact, he got up before daylight and went out to pray. That teaches us that praying is not an "if we get around to it" activity. It comes first and makes a difference in everything else.

Jesus practiced what he preached. He taught that we ought always to pray (Lk. 18:1), and he always did. He said that we should pray to the Father who sees in secret (Matt. 6:6), and he went to a secluded place to pray. His way was to trust the Father and then turn to face the responsibilities of life, just as he required of us (Matt. 7:7-11).

Today let God say something to you as you read His word. Say something for God through some service for Him. But, above all, make sure you say something to God in prayer.

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving. Colossians 4:2

- Bill McFarland

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!**



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. Team 4 will be responsible for working that day: Duncan, Green, Mahon, Prewitt, Simons, Thurlkill, Tracy, Thiesen Families

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.



◆ 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

Birthdays



- 1 Alice Daniels
- Teresa Mahon
- 4 Abigail Davis
- Olivia Downing
- Kenna Taylor
- 5 Brian Horton
- Gloria Luallin
- 6 Ben Lines
- 7 Bonnie Cole
- Layton Prewitt
- 8 Raymond Daniels
- 9 Megan Hollingsworth
- Brock Snitker
- Brittney Springer



- ◆ Dale Harp, Thelma Pendergrass, Doris Burch, Jackie Buck, Tim Timmons, Jim Reaves, Denzil Raines
- ◆ Bill Culley is steadily improving; Kyle Buckner, Helen Coltrane and Elizabeth Lilly are recovering from recent surgeries; Marsha Bower is in Mercy Hospital
- ◆ Julie Alexander is in Cox South, room 313
- ◆ Seldon Essex with his continuing health issues

Friends & Family

- ◆ Coyeatte Ewing's dad, Jim Hammond, has been moved to a nursing home in West Plains; 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, 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.

January Anniversaries

- 1 David/Debbie Kern 40 yrs.
 - 2 Tim/Becky Marsolf 35 yrs.
 - 5 Lonnie/Wanda Wilkinson 63 yrs.
 - 13 Fred/Norma Lorenz 5 yrs.
 - 16 Bill/Gail White 6 yrs.
 - 17 Dennis/Carolyn Smith 63 yrs.
- Happy Anniversary**

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. See me if you have any questions. Johnnie

Daily Bible Reading Schedules for the 1st Quarter of 2016 are available in the foyer.

Wednesday night, December 30th, there will be a combined devotional in the auditorium. Hope you will make an extra effort to join us for our year-end devotional time together.

Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

- Greeters:** Ron & Lisa Stokes
- Van Driver:** Brock Snitker/405-694-9774
- Serve** David Kern//Todd Kraus
- Communion:** Paul Lines/Jason Luna
- Gene Lund/Gabe Mahon
- Travis Morrison/Byron Nichols
- Brian Carroll/Brock Snitker

NEXT WEEK, January 3

- | | MORNING | EVENING |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Song Leader: | Kerry Cole/J. Ewing | Travis Morrison |
| Opening Prayer: | Ron Stokes | Jason Luna |
| Communion: | Adam Blaney | Eddie Currier/J. Dutton |
| Closing Prayer: | John Hulett | Tom Easterly |
| Greeters: | Luis & Carol Tovar | |
| Van Driver: | Adam Stipp/844-6564 | |

THIS EVENING

- Song Leader:**
- Opening Prayer:** John Mahon
- Lesson:** Justin Hatfield
- Closing Prayer:** James Simons
- Communion:** Tucker Jobes/Jon Davis

MONTH OF December

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

Wednesday, Dec. 30

- ALL
CONGREGATION
DEVOTIONAL
- Van Driver:** Travis Morrison/
343-7451