

Weekly Newsletter

**Order of Worship** 

*Song Leader* Adam Blaney

#732 #197 "Light the Fire"

Opening Prayer Matt Keener

**#961** 

*The Lord's Supper* Aaron Morrison

*Our Contribution* Aaron Morrison

> #253 #36 (1,2,3)

*Lesson* Bill McFarland

#122 (1,4)

*Announcements* Eddie Sanders

#593 (1,4)

Closing Prayer Tom Davis

Serve Communion Kaven Mahon Jerry Stockdale Kevin Westerman Randy Blackburn Jonathan Pendergraph John Stayton Luis Tovar Patrick Springer David Grimm J.J. Blevins

## <u>201?</u> When the Questions of Life Are Asked

WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Have you ever noticed how many questions our Lord asked of people while he was dwelling among us? It was one of the methods of teaching he used most frequently. One fellow who tried to count them says the Gospels mention at least 150 questions Jesus raised while he was making the truth about God and man known. The number of them that are brought up in all the scriptures may be in the hundreds. They have to do with all kinds of issues in life.

Could it be that our lives depend on asking the right questions? When you think about it, isn't it obvious that we will never arrive at the answers of life unless we face the real questions of life? It's not only being aware of the correct answers that makes us human, but agonizing over the real questions. One purpose of the Lord's word is to direct us toward what they are.

What if we consider the questions of life together this year? We can think through the Bible by noticing its questions and rejoicing in its answers. Each of the fifty-three Sunday evenings in 2017 we will take up one of the great questions asked of man by God, or of God by man, in the scriptures. While we are doing so, we will use several shorter series on Sunday mornings to dwell on the implications of the wonderful answers provided by the gospel.

Won't this be an interesting, challenging, and practical journey for us? We'll be facing the concerns all people down through time have shared, or should share. And, in the process, we'll be confronted with the matter of what we should do about them, or what the Lord already has. Surely this process will bless us.

How about it? Will you pray for us while we are doing this? Be with us while we are asking ourselves the questions of life? Let someone know he or she might be interested in making this journey, too?

-Bill McFarland

## Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

January 8, 2017

## Prayer List and 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

#### January 1

Bible Study:	231
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Morning:	308
Evening:	176
Wednesday (1/4):	214
Contribution:	\$10,522
Weekly Budget:	\$10,025
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$ (497)

### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

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- ◆ Continue to remember <u>Eula Compton</u>, <u>Rachel</u> <u>Lilly, Terry Loveland</u>
- <u>Barbara Barnes</u> is in Quail Creek but no visitors at this time
- <u>Mary Jo Rookstool</u> is recovering from a mild heart attack
- ♦ <u>Michelle Hulett</u> is doing better after a scare with her eye while in China last week; she did have a small tear in the retina which is being repaired with laser treatments
- <u>Carl Tindall</u> will have cataract surgery Tuesday afternoon.
- It was great to see <u>Terry Loveland</u> with us last Sunday!! <u>Friends & Family</u>
- <u>Ed Murray</u> is not doing well
- ♦ <u>Kelly Snider's</u> doctors say he is doing well & they plan a bone marrow transplant at Barnes in St. Louis in March
- <u>Justin Hatfield</u> is recovering from surgery to remove the remaining thyroid
- Bill's mom, <u>Pauline Redmon</u>, is in a rehab facility in Mountain Home dealing with serious health issues
- ♦ Ann Fahr's mom, <u>Dora Powell</u>, is in the hospital after passing out at her home Wednesday night
- Verl Duncan's sister-in-law, <u>Dorma Duncan</u>, suffered a stroke recently
- ♦ Tim Timmons' new baby great grandson, <u>Kaydon</u> <u>Alexander</u>, has some very serious health issues



### Sympathy We extend our sympathy to John Hulett in the loss of his uncle recently. This was the third uncle he lost in 2016.



Daily Bible Reading Schedules for the 1st Quarter of 2017 are

available in the foyer. Be sure to pick one up and get started reading!

PLEASE CHECK THE COAT ROOM FOR COATS THAT BELONG TO YOU. Any unclaimed coats will be taken to Thrift Haven after the Elders' meeting in January.

#### Long Term/Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower **Eula Compton Ola Jean Feeney** Doris Iorg **Doris Tobler** Nursing Homes **Doris Burch** Fern Davis Ella Mae Findlay **Ann Freeze Chloe Gaddis** June Jean Jerry Gillespie **Thelma Pendergrass** Sandra Pengenot Nancy Snider



Expectant Mom Leah Prewitt/March/ GIRL

## Birthdan

<u>Birthdays</u> 8 Raymond Daniels 9 Megan Hollingsworth Brock Snitker Brittany Springer 10 Jacqueline Ussery 11 Bill McFarland 14 Gayle Gaunt 15 Anita Cobb 17 Kyle Buckner 18 William Morrison 19 Jim Elliff 20 Betty Grabber 21 Pat Blackburn Gena Ussery



To the church at Water Mill: To say I am overwhelmed may be an under statement. For all of the cards, the food, and mostly your prayers and support for us during our time of transition is such a blessing. I know many of you don't have the words to say to me, but realize that I feel the same way in that I can't say thank you enough. With all my love, Travis, Elijah and Claudia

## News and Activities

Valentine Baskets for Shut-ins Starting now until Sunday, February 5, we will be gathering items for Valentines baskets for the shut ins. There is a box labeled shut-ins on the information desk where you can place your items. Homemade items, snacks, crossword puzzles, coloring books, and personal care items are just a few ideas. Please see Sara Keener for more info.



#### **Bible & Christianity Basics** Beginning January 12, 2017

Time: 7 - 8 p.m./taught by David Grimm Course: This course is designed to provide basic Bible instruction and fundamental teachings in regards to the Lord's church. For more information contact David Grimm at 509-2515 or dgrimm9831@gmail.com.

Ladies Bilde Class

Ladies Bible Class will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. The new book is entitled "You're Not the **Only One: How to Handle Emotional** Overload." Jan Bowling will be teaching the class this week titled "Low Self Esteem." All ladies are encouraged to attend.

- ◆ Elders meet Tuesday at 5 p.m.
- ♦ Y.O.U Youth Rally January 13-15 in Conway, AR
- ◆ AREAWIDE YOUT<u>H NIGHT AT</u> WATERMILL FEBRUARY 12.



**IN BRANSON IGN-UP SHEETS ON THE INFORMATION DESK.** 

There will be a meeting immediately after AM service for anyone interested in participating in Puppets & Drama for LTC this year.



The next book club meeting is tomorrow night at 6:30PM at

the Curriers. We will have a light supper (potato soup) and then discuss the Hawk and the Dove by Penelope Wilcock. We will also look at the books and topics for 2017. If you have a book or a topic you would like to read and discuss, we would love your participation.

## WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Service time has been changed to 6:30 p.m. A meal is being served each Wednesday evening from 5 to 6 p.m. for all who would like to come to the building and eat before service. JUST SIGN UP **AT THE INFORMATION DESK EACH WEEK IF YOU** PLAN TO ATTEND so the ladies will know how much food to prepare. We suggest a \$3 donation for each adult to cover the cost of the food.

## **Feeding the Homeless** and Underprivileged

TODAY Immediately after the morning worship service / 806 North Jefferson Ave Thanks for all your help!

## Elders, Ministers, **Deacons & Staff**

## Elders

417-234-2679
417-866-0592
417-569-8698
417-833-5712
417-833-3498
417-724-0324

### Minister

Bill McFarland

417-833-0110

## Youth/Associate Minister

Adam Blaney

304-520-9800

### Deacons

Tim Buckner Tom Davis Jim Elliff Matt Keener Russell Lilly

Aaron Morrison Travis Morrison James Simons John Stayton Mike Thurlkill

## Staff

Johnnie Elliff Tim Bowling

Secretary Custodian



We will have a Parents' Night Out on Friday, January 20, Februarv17, and March 10, from 6 to 9 p.m. We plan to have enough helpers to open the nursery, so be sure to bring your littlest ones too! Sign-up sheet is on the Information Desk or contact Lora Luna.

**Ministry Opportunity for Shut-ins!!** Be sure to check the table in the fover!!

## **SERVICE ROSTERS**

## THIS MORNING

NEXT WEEK (JANUARY 15)

	Gene & Ruth Lund	1	Song Leader:	AM Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	PM Adam Blaney
	Brock Snitker/405-694-9774 Wanita Duncan/Emily Simons	I	<b>Opening Prayer:</b> <b>Communion:</b>	Brendan Carroll Steve Prewitt	Todd Kraus J. Davis/J. Dutton
THIS EVEN	ING		Closing Prayer: Greeters:	Andy McFarland Byrle & Virginia Hayter	Jerry Milligan
Song Leader:	Adam Blaney		Van Driver:	Tom Easterly/848-9158	
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Russell Lilly		Nursery:	Coyeatte Ewing/Christin	a Snitker
Lesson:	Bill McFarland		Wednesday, Ja	anuary 11	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Barry Hannah		Devotional:	Patrick Springer	
Communion:	Jon Davis/John Dutton		Song Leader:	Travis Morrison	
Nursery:	Alice Buckner/Kasey Sekulic		Prayer: Van Driver:	Randy Blackburn Charles Crum/840-2632	,

Bible Classes (Adult)						
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d a light	Adult	Nuts & Bolts of Christian Living & Contemporary Culture	Fellowship Rm	David Grimm	BIBL	
	Adult	Job	Room 126	Barney Crawford	CLAS	
	Adult	Philippians	Auditorium	Byron Nichols		
diag	Adult	Pray Without Ceasing A Study of the Prayers of the Bible	Room 129	Jon Ewing	each week	
1 m	Adult	Chronological Study of the Bible	Room 130	Paul Lines	week	
3	College	Scorched and Choked	Room 119	Patrick Springer		

If you are unable to attend services, don't forget that all of our services are "Live Streamed." Go to info@watermillchurchofchrist.org and click on "Live Video."

## 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

#### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship......10:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship......5:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Class....6:30 PM

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