



# WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

February 5, 2017

## **Order of Worship**

**Song Leader**  
**Jon Ewing**

**Greeting**  
#782  
#947  
#147 (1,2,4)

**Opening Prayer**  
**David Kern**

#12 (2,3)  
#769

**The Lord's Supper**  
**John Stayton**

**Our Contribution**  
**John Stayton**

#872  
#446

**Lesson**  
**Bill McFarland**

#107 (1)

**Announcements**  
**Bob Snider**

#402(1)

**Closing Prayer**  
**Todd Kraus**

## **Serve Communion**

**Jackie Buck**  
**Aubrey Cobb**  
**Byrle Hayter**  
**William Downing**  
**Don Gaunt**  
**Brendan Carroll**  
**Charles Crum**  
**Tom Davis**  
**John Dutton**  
**Barry Hannah**

## **These Words**

The last words in the Book do us a great favor. They provide us with a healthy way of thinking about any of the words in it, and all of them together. It is not merely a way of taking enjoyable sayings during easy times, either. In fact, it comes at the conclusion of a challenging revelation that addresses difficult circumstances. That only underlines how much the perspective is needed.

1. These words can be trusted. "These words are trustworthy and true," the angel tells John. He has been sent by "the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets" to show them to his servants (Rev. 22:6). Our Lord is faithful and true, and we can reply upon what he says.

2. Those who keep them will be blessed. The Lord does as he says he will. "Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book" (Rev. 22:7). To act in keeping with what the Lord says is to be among the genuinely fortunate.

3. A fellowship exists among those who are keeping these words. John fell down at the feet of the one who showed him these things, but the angel said, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God" (Rev. 22:9). What great company!

4. These words have to do with real, everyday life. "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near" (Rev. 22:10). It is not only for some other time at some other place. Even now, its instruction is the difference between the evil and filthy and the right and holy (v. 11).

5. These words are to be respected. This point is made impressively. "I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book" (Rev. 22:18, 19).

There is something even more important than what we think about a thing the Book says. It is what we think about anything it says. These words are to be taken as the Lord's words.

—Bill McFarland

# 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 29

Bible Study:	238
Morning:	332
Evening:	209
Wednesday (2/1):	181
Contribution:	\$16,614
Weekly Budget:	\$10,119
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$ 3,492



## Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to J. J. Blevins in the loss of his grandmother, Bobbie Stafford. They will be traveling to her funeral in Oklahoma on Monday.

Also, Ann Fahr's mother, Dora Powell, passed away Thursday night.



**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO RUTH LUND AND HER CREW FOR THE WONDERFUL MEALS THEY ARE PREPARING FOR US ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS!!**



## In Need of Your Prayers

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Rachel Lilly, Terry Loveland, Barbara Barnes, Ed Murray, Nancy Snider, Donna Sanders.
  - ◆ Marlene Matthews is improving at Specialty Select Hospital.
  - ◆ Sherry Sherman will be at Manor Care for 2 more weeks.
  - ◆ Jerry Young's surgery went well.
  - ◆ Teresa Griter is recovering from pleurisy & acute bronchitis.
  - ◆ Debbie Crawford is doing well after her surgery.
  - ◆ Barney Crawford will have knee surgery February 8th.
  - ◆ Thelma Pendergrass has been in and out of Mercy all week.
  - ◆ Ellie Swartz is continuing to be in a lot of pain.
- Friends & Family**
- ◆ Debbi Ratterree and her sister are staying with her dad now. He is enjoying the cards (see Debbi's FB page for picture). Ray Williamson, 6182 State Wyw. Z, Thornfield, MO 65762
  - ◆ Kelly Snider had a bone marrow biopsy Friday, the 3rd. If it went well, he will go to St. Louis Feb. 27th for the next chemotherapy and for bone marrow transplant.
  - ◆ Bill's mom, Pauline Redmon, is in a rehab facility in Mountain Home dealing with serious health issues.
  - ◆ Tim Timmons' great grandson, Kaydon Alexander, is continuing to improve and they are reducing his medicines.
  - ◆ Betty Grabber's friend's husband, Don Hobbs, had surgery for intestinal cancer Friday the 3rd.



To our brothers & sisters we want to thank each of you for your kindness—your prayers, cards, visits, and meals you prepared for us.

We have enjoyed your visits so much.

We're so thankful to be with a caring church. May God bless you, Please continue to pray for Ellie.

Love you dearly, Ellie & Bob Swartz

I want to thank everyone for the cards, texts & mostly the prayers. God has richly blessed us with Christian family all over. Love, John & Kristie Deffenbaugh

Special words are needed to tell you thank you & appreciation we have for the kindness you have given. It has been a heart breaking time for everyone.

The memorial was very nice, well organized and a delicious peal prepared for family. The shower of love through prayer, cards, kind words & deeds are treasured. Thank you for your special ways & generous hearts.

Clyde & Robbie Heavin

## 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 Pingenot  
Nancy Snider

## Ministry Opportunity

**Be a Blessing to our Shut-ins!!**

Be sure to check the table in the foyer!!



## Expectant Mom

**Leah Prewitt/March/ GIRL**



## Birthdays

6 James Simons

7 Yvonne Tindall  
Denzil Raines

8 Christina Snitker  
9 Betty Glenn  
Verl Duncan

10 Mary Jo Rookstool  
Kirsten McFarland  
11 Elijah Morrison  
Claudia Morrison



# News and Activities

## Upcoming Events

- **Be A Blessing** meeting today at 4:30 p.m. in room 126.
- **Quilters** meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. for about 2 hours. New quilters and sewers are needed.
- **Elders** meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. Please contact one of the Elders if you need to meet with them.
- **LTC Convention** April 14-15

### Valentine Baskets for Shut-ins

Today is the last day to bring items for Valentines baskets for the Shut-ins.



### WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

You know the drill by now. A meal is being served each Wednesday evening from 5 to 6 p.m. **JUST SIGN UP AT THE INFORMATION DESK EACH WEEK IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND.**

## Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Bible Class will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. The book is entitled "You're Not the Only One: How to Handle Emotional Overload." Ruth Lund will be teaching the class this week titled "Danger without the 'D', Anger." All ladies are encouraged to attend.

### Bible & Christianity Basics

Thursday evenings in room 126  
Time: 7 - 8 p.m.  
taught by David Grimm



### AREAWIDE YOUTH NIGHT

NEXT Sunday evening,  
February 12th.

Your assistance is needed in providing drinks (bottled water, individual cans of soda) and cookies, brownies, etc. for about 300 young people.

*Please bring the drinks by Wednesday the 8th and sign the sign-up sheet to bring desserts Sunday morning the 12th.*  
Thanks for your assistance.

### LTC PUPPETS AND DRAMA

will meet   
2/12, 2/19, 3/12, 3/19, 4/2.  
after AM service all day.  
**Bring your lunch.**



### Parents' Night Out

Friday, 2/17 and 3/10, from 6 to 9 p.m. Sign-up sheet is on the Information Desk or contact Lora Luna.



### Married Couples Retreat

**February 24-25, 2017**  
IN BRANSON  
**SIGN-UP SHEETS ON THE INFORMATION DESK.**  
*Deadline to sign up is Sunday, February 12th.*

## 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

The 23rd annual WINGS (Women in God's Service) Conference will be held at Harding University, February 24-25. See brochure on the bulletin board.

Hillcrest Church of Christ, Neosho, MO  
2017 Ladies Seminar, March 3-4

*Life Is Like a Box of Chocolates*

Guest Speaker: Dr. Cynthia Guy



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH,

the Monett Church of Christ is hosting the Harding University Chorus at the Monett Performing Arts Center.

Briley Ewing is a member of this Chorus.

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

# SERVICE ROSTERS

## THIS MORNING

Greeters: *Tim & Jan Bowling*  
 Van Driver: *Luis Tovar/864-8409*  
 Nursery: *Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan*  
 KYB: *John Dutton/Matt Keener*

## THIS EVENING

Song Leader: *Jon Davis*  
 Opening Prayer: *Andy McFarland*  
 Lesson: *Bill McFarland*  
 Closing Prayer: *Josh Luna*  
 Communion: *Tucker Jobes/Matt Keener*  
 Nursery: *Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin*

## NEXT WEEK, February 12

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
Song Leader:	<i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i>	<i>Jon Davis</i>
Opening Prayer:	<i>Russell Lilly</i>	<i>Youth Night</i>
Communion:	<i>John Stayton</i>	<i>T. Jobes/M. Keener</i>
Closing Prayer:	<i>Todd Kraus</i>	<i>Youth Night</i>
Greeters:	<i>Eddie &amp; Linda Currier</i>	
Van Driver:	<i>Jon Davis/864-9872</i>	
Nursery:	<i>Wanita Duncan/Emily Simons</i>	
KYB:	<i>Gerri Dickens/Ann Thiessen Barganier</i>	

## Wednesday, February 8

Devotional: *Jon Ewing*  
 Song Leader: *John Mahon*  
 Prayer: *Scott Barton*  
 Van Driver: *Jason Luna*



## Bible Classes (Adult)

### Sunday AM

Adult	The Beginning of Your Story. (Genesis)	Fellowship Rm	Jon Davis/David Grimm
Adult	Job	Room 126	Barney Crawford
Adult	Learning from Bible Characters	Auditorium	Byron Nichols
Adult	Pray Without Ceasing	Room 129	Jon Ewing
Adult	A Study of the Prayers of the Bible		
Adult	Chronological Study of the Bible	Room 130	Paul Lines
College	Scorched and Choked	Room 119	Patrick Springer

*We need  
 YOU in  
 BIBLE  
 CLASS  
 each  
 week!*

*If you are unable to attend services, don't forget that all of our services are "Live Streamed." Go to [www.watermillchurchofchrist.org](http://www.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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