

# WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

April 16, 2017

## **Order of Worship**

*Welcome*

*Song Leader*

*Adam Blaney*

#983

#943

#982

#299 (1,2,4,5)

*Opening Prayer*

*Larry Baggett*

#621

#742

*The Lord's Supper*

*Brendan Carroll*

*Our Contribution*

*Brendan Carroll*

*How Deep the*

*Father's Love*

*Lord Reign in Me*

*Lesson*

*Bill McFarland*

*In Moments Like*

*These*

*Announcements*

*Scott Barton*

# 738

*Closing Prayer*

*David Grimm*

*Serve Communion*

*Josh Luna*

*Jerry Milligan*

*Scott Nichols*

*Aaron Schwartz*

*Andy McFarland*

*Aaron Morrison*

*Colton Orum*

*Brock Snitker*

*Mike Ussery*

*Brian Carroll*

## **A LOOK AT THE TEN COMMANDMENTS**

By Dennis R. Smith

Over the last several years the Ten Commandments, which had their beginning in the time of Moses (Exod. 20), have taken a beating here in the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave. However, long before the laws of our land ruled that these great truths could not be displayed in the hallowed halls of our land even some in the church wanted to keep them strictly in the Old Testament. Time and space does not allow my going further into that discussion but may I suggest that all of these wonderful directives have been repeated by various writers of the New Testament with the exception of the law of the Sabbath and are just as valid today as they were when Moses, at God's command, set them in stone hundreds of years before Christ was born. Before going further may I suggest looking at the following passages: (Rom. 2:22-23; 13:9; 15:3; Matt. 5:17-18; 43-44; 22:37-40).

Taking another look at these Ten Commandments, outside of Matthew 22:37-40 where we observe that Jesus mentions the degree of loving God as the "first and great commandment and the second is like unto it, thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself," they then are all on equal footing one with another as to their level of importance with God. It is also interesting to see how some look at one forbidden sin and make it more or less important than another. For example, we still have laws pertaining to stealing, as is true with committing murder, but in such areas as committing adultery or taking the name of the Lord in vain, we simply wink at such and mark it off as "Oh well, everyone does it!"

Moving now into the area of "high tech" are we so naive to think we can change right into wrong and wrong into right with the clicking of a button? Today, we can hack into another's computer and steal his social security number, and even some of his private and personal history without any thought of what God must be thinking about us. In other words, when God gave to Moses these Ten Commandments it would be some hundreds of years until the "law of liberty" (James 1:25) would include them again in the inspired writings as mentioned in paragraph one above.

Today we would do well to fully understand that "God changes not" (Malachi 3:6) and basically neither do we, so without God's help we will never make it to that eternal city of God. Let us then put these treasured commandments back on the wall of our hearts and faithfully do our best to live by them. These wonderful words have guided generations over and around the rocky shoals of life and time giving then exceeding great and precious promises which are for this life and that which is to come. (See 1<sup>st</sup> Tim. 4:8 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Pet. 1:4).

# 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

April 9

Bible Study:	210
Morning:	362
Evening:	215
Wednesday (4/12):	194
Contribution:	\$ 9,569
Weekly Budget:	\$10,119
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$(3,687)

Thank you to the children and their parents for the wonderful cards and pictures.  
In Christian Love,  
Marsha Bower



◆ Continue to remember [Eula Compton](#), [Rachel Lilly](#), [Sherry Sherman](#), [Russell Lilly](#), [Donna Sanders](#)

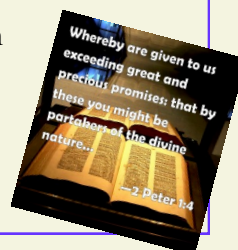
- ◆ [Thelma Pendergrass](#) is not doing well. Continue to remember her and Bill & Kay in your prayers.
- ◆ [Tim Bowling](#) will have surgery on his finger on May 9
- ◆ [Truman Coltrane](#) is home after a few days in the hospital; he had a TIA.
- ◆ [Jimmy Eliff](#) is home after his hospital and rehab stay.
- ◆ [Dewayne Jackson](#) is at home recovering after spending several days in the hospital from a light stroke.
- ◆ [Wanda Wilkinson](#) has not been feeling well for the last few months and then she fell recently and sprained her ankle.
- ◆ [Terry Loveland](#) is at the Manor at Maranatha, room 131, for rehab after hip surgery; visitors are welcome
- ◆ [Shirlane Horton](#) has torn tendons in her arm as well as a torn rotator cuff; surgery should be April 21 or May 5.

### Friends & Family

- Carolyn Young's brother, [John Sunderland](#), had a stroke
- [Kelly Snider](#) continues to stay in St. Louis at a hotel close to Barnes for doctor appointments and signs of bone marrow rejection.
- Bill's mom, [Pauline Redmon](#), is in rehab at Care Manor, Room 305B, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653-2939.
- [Ed Murray](#) is now at home continuing his battle with cancer; Ed & Sherry's address is 203 Rendezvous Road, Riverton, WY 82501.
- Bonnie Cole's brother-in-law, [Jim Lavern](#), who is in experimental program in Florida for stage 4 lung cancer
- ◆ Robert Keith's son-in-law, [Nick Puglisi](#), will have back surgery in St. Louis.



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## Long Term/Shut-Ins

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

## Ministry Opportunity Be a Blessing!!

Be sure to check the table in the foyer!!



### Birthdays

16 Darren Wake  
21 Teresa Griter  
Michelle Hulett  
Alice Buckner  
22 Lisa Stayton



OPEN  
LIBRARY

Everyone is welcome to check out books from our library in room 134.

We have books for children and teens and adults.

We have biographies, class study books, devotional/motivational books, fiction, and reference books. Just fill in the information on the Book Check Out sheet on the clip board provided and return the book when you are finished.

# News and Activities



**LEADERSHIP  
TRAINING  
FOR CHRIST**

LTC Awards night  
April 23rd after  
evening service



**LADIES  
SPRING  
TEA**

April 29

Guest speaker  
Tanya Deffenbaugh.  
Sign-up sheets are on the  
Information Desk!



5th Sunday Potluck.  
Sunday, April 30th  
Team 3 in charge



**Mark Your  
Calendar**

*Don't sit on the sidelines...Get involved!*

- ◆ Blood Drive June 7
- ◆ VBS June 11-14
- ◆ Blood Drive August 2
- ◆ Family Camping Trip  
September 29—October 1

### Bible Camps

- ◆ 6/5-9—Happy Hollow/  
Alice Buckner
- ◆ 6/18-24—Happy Hollow/  
Baggett/Stockstill
- ◆ 7/16-22—Green Valley
- ◆ 7/30-8/5—Happy Hollow/  
T. Morrison/Luna

## *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

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Hammond Mill April 21-23
- ◆ Happy Hollow Work Day May 6
- ◆ Graduates' Reception May 7
- ◆ Book Club Meeting May 8

## Area Events

- April 22: Ladies Retreat at Fordland Church of Christ
- April 22: Ladies Day at Hollister Church of Christ
- April 29: Area Wide Singing at Southside Church of Christ 1517 E. Cherokee St., Springfield
- April 30-May 3: Gospel Meeting at Sparta Church of Christ
- April 30-May 4: Gospel Meeting at Bolivar Church of Christ
- May 6: Ladies Day Brunch at Forsyth Church of Christ
- Brochures on the bulletin board.



If you are graduating this spring from high school or college, please notify the office so you will be included in the Graduates Reception scheduled for May 7 after the evening service.

## Ladies Bible Class

Ladies Bible Class  
meets Thursday at 10:30 a.m.  
We are studying from the book  
"Women of Deliverance."  
Gena Ussery will teach the class  
and her topic is: *Queen of Sheba.*

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

A meal is being served  
each Wednesday  
evening from 5 to 6  
p.m. **JUST SIGN UP  
AT THE  
INFORMATION  
DESK IF YOU PLAN  
TO ATTEND.**

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

# SERVICE ROSTERS

## THIS MORNING

**Greeters:** Kevin & Connie Westerman  
**Van Driver:** Tom Easterly/848-9158  
**Nursery:** Coyeatte Ewing/Christina Snitker

## THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Jon Davis  
**Opening Prayer:** John Hulett  
**Lesson:** Bill McFarland  
**Closing Prayer:** Matt Keener  
**Communion:** T. Morrison/J. Simons  
**Nursery:** Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon

## NEXT WEEK, April 23

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Jon Davis
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Randy Blackburn	Devin Carol
<b>Communion:</b>	Eddie Currier	T. Morrison/J. Simons
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Cambre Thrasher	
<b>Greeters:</b>	Linda Barnett/Gail White	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	AM: James Simons / PM: Tucker Jobses	
<b>Nursery:</b>	Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum	

## Wednesday, April 19

**Devotional:** Jerry Young  
**Song Leader:** Adam Blaney  
**Prayer:** Steve Prewitt  
**Van Driver:** Tim Stockstill/849-7678



## 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
	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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