

WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

August 20, 2017

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Adam Blaney

Opening Prayer
John Hulett

The Lord's Supper
Byron Nichols

Our Contribution
Byron Nichols

Lesson
Bill McFarland

Announcements
Jerry Young

Closing Prayer
Jeremy Thurlkill

Serve Communion
Kevin Westerman
Jonathan Pendergraft
David Grimm
Mike Ussery
Adam Barton
Randy Blackburn
Tim Bowling
Jackie Buck
Brendan Carroll
Cambre Thrasher

The Shadow Experience

Monday afternoon, for less than three minutes in any one place, a total solar eclipse will be visible in a seventy mile swath across our country, from Oregon to South Carolina. It will happen because the moon will pass between our planet and the sun, and everything will line up just right for the Earth, in that path at least, to be completely in the shadow of its own moon.

Another shadow experience occurs far more commonly, and this one affects the lives of people much more drastically. It's what happens when anything gets between persons and the Lord in such a way that it blocks the light of his being, his will, and his promises from their lives.

We may find ourselves in the foreboding shadow of some possession other than the inheritance of the saints in light, or of some practice that is not how one behaves when he is walking in the light. That must not be allowed to become our permanent environment! Hope comes from keeping the Lord in clear view.

We will sometimes be on the shadow side of a personal offence, either through some fault in ourselves, or in another person, or in both. The bad feelings can be so close up that there is no room in the picture for God's good will. A long time ago, a wise and faithful Christian lady put it to me this way, "Remember, if you let someone get between you and the Lord, that person is closer to the Lord than you are."

We are all bound to know the experience, both with people we love and within ourselves, of the shadow death. The valley of deep darkness makes itself known to us in many a grief, in the reality of pain, and in the sense of mortality that pursues us down through time. It is only bearable when we can regard it as a shadow to be passed through, not a valley to stay in.

The shadow experience, in any of its forms, needs to be approached a bit like this total eclipse. Recognize it, but not in a way that will ruin your vision or dominate your life. The sun will still be there, and the darkness won't last, and God will always love his people.

—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

August 13

Bible Study:	255
Morning:	351
Evening:	222
Wednesday (8/16):	230
Contribution:	\$ 9,818
Weekly Budget:	\$10,119
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$ (2,556)



Continue to remember [Rachel Lilly](#), [Gracie Taylor](#), [Gail White](#), [Tim Timmons](#)

♦ [Eula Compton](#) is recovering from surgery at her daughter's home; cards can be sent to her c/o Shirley Kepley, 108 W. Nixon, Strafford, 65757.

♦ [Shirlane Horton](#) as she continues her long recovery from shoulder surgery

- ♦ [Ron Bower](#) had an angiogram on Friday
- ♦ [Cindy Hannah's](#) pathology report was good.
- ♦ [Julie Alexander's](#) surgery is scheduled for 9/11.
- ♦ [Wanda Wilkinson](#) continues to have health issues.

Friends & Family

- [Clyde Iorg](#) is critically ill
- Carol Tovar's mom, [Patricia Washburn](#), is recovering from surgery for a broken arm.
- Nancy Snider's sister, [Paula Hunt](#), will go to Barnes Hospital later this month for MRI and PET scan; she will then have surgery and radiation to treat her cancer; if you would like to send her a card of encouragement, her address is 847 S. Patton Ave., 65802.
- Marsha Stipp's nephew-in-law, [Darin Moore](#), and his battle with pancreas cancer.
- The mother of Scott Barton's brother-in-law, [Jill Jackson](#), who suffered a serious stroke recently
- Lance Griter's dad, [Robert](#), is back at Cox South with multiple health issues.
- Bill's mom, [Pauline Redmon](#), in rehab at Care Manor, Room 305B, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653.
- Bill White's brother-in-law, [Elva West](#), had a stroke. His wife [Nadine](#) fell and has multiple health problems. They live in Anaheim, CA.



We extend our sympathy to Don Essex in the loss of his sister, Junie Moore.

Long Term/ Shut-Ins

Marsha Bower
Eula Compton
Ola Jean Feeney
Doris Iorg
Doris Tobler
Nursing Homes
Ella Mae Findlay
Ann Freeze
Chloe Gaddis
Jerry Gillespie
Terry Loveland
Sandra Pingnot
Nancy Snider



Expectant Mom
Brittany Springer
girl/September

Ministry Opportunity Be a Blessing!!

Be sure to check the table in the foyer!!

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.,



Thank you for the flowers, meal, cards, prayers, and loving support during this difficult time in our lives. In Christian Love, Eddie Sanders and Teresa Connelly

Thanks to those who sent us cards and for all the prayers and concern given to us after the passing of June Jean. Thanks to Bill for conducting the service, and Byron and the singers at the service. A special thanks to the ladies who prepared a meal for us, and to those who made a contribution to Fair Haven in her memory. In Christian love, The Nimmo Family

We would like to thank everyone for cards, calls, visits and prayers during my treatments and transplant. May God bless you all. Kelly & Connie Snider



CAMP TO-KNOW-HIM

2017/Sept. 29– Oct. 1

PLACE: Hidden Valley
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Lebanon, MO 65536

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MAKING YOUR RESERVATION.
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News and Activities



Good luck to all the kiddos and teachers as they begin this new school year. May you have a great year.

Ladies Bible Class

meets Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Our lessons are from the book "Because I Said So." Jan Bowling's lesson will be: "More Money Than Sense: Materialism."



Everyone is invited to a Wedding Shower honoring Kyle Buckner and

Brielle McKenna on Sunday, September 10, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the fellowship room.



Birthdays

21 Don Tracy
Terri Wilson
22 Donna Jordan
Eric Duncan
Beth Trogon
Lindy Blaney
25 Les Horton
26 Billie Luna
Sandra Pingnot
Tim Timmons
27 Carolyn Smith
31 Cambre Thrasher

Upcoming Events

OUR WEDNESDAY EVENING SUMMER SERIES

Thanks to Tony Gentry for bringing us another great lesson in our Wednesday night summer series on "Gentleness" as we continue our theme "A Fruitful



People: The Spirit in the Life of a Congregation."

Our guest speaker this Wednesday night will be **Joe**

Bright as he speaks on "**Self-Control.**" If you have missed any of the lessons or if you want to hear the lesson again, they are posted on the website,

www.watermillchurchofchrist.org.



◆ Youth Night at Brookline tonight

◆ 8/26 Show Me Youth Conference at Conway

Faith

does not makes things easy, it makes them possible.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

IT'S TIME FOR A NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY.

Photo Dates: OCTOBER 24 - 28

Watch for more information coming soon.

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

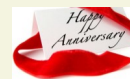
Tim Buckner	Aaron Morrison
Tom Davis	Travis Morrison
Jim Elliff	James Simons
Matt Keener	John Stayton
Russell Lilly	Mike Thurkill

Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian

Area Events

- 9/7: Annual Ladies' Day at Mountain Home Church of Christ
- 9/30 Ladies Day at Lincoln Church of Christ



AUGUST Anniversaries/20 - 31

21 Vern/Connie Thompson 13 yrs.
23 Bill/Pat Culley 58 yrs.
28 Lynn/Gloria Luallin 46 yrs.
31 Don/Ruth Essex 61 yrs.

Happy Anniversary!!

SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: *Tom & Jammie Davis*
 Van Driver: *AM: James Simons/988-8873*
 PM: Tucker Jobes/894-0826
 Nursery: *Coyeatte Ewing/Christina Snitker*

THIS EVENING

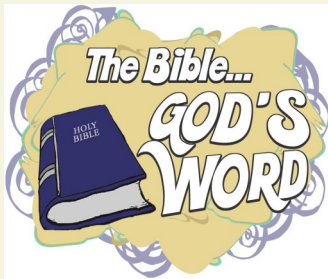
Song Leader: *Jon Davis*
 Opening Prayer: *Jason Luna*
 Lesson: *Bill McFarland*
 Closing Prayer: *John Stayton*
 Communion: *Gene Lund/John Dutton*
 Nursery: *Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon*

NEXT WEEK, August 27

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
■ Song Leader:	<i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i>	<i>Jon Davis</i>
■ Opening Prayer:	<i>David Kern</i>	<i>Josh Luna</i>
■ Communion:	<i>Scott Nichols</i>	<i>Gene Lund/John Dutton</i>
■ Closing Prayer:	<i>Steve Prewitt</i>	<i>Tim Stockstill</i>
■ Greeters:	<i>Barney & Debbie Crawford</i>	
■ Van Driver:	<i>Allison Bean/615-971-1320</i>	
■ Nursery:	<i>AM: Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum</i>	
	<i>PM: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton</i>	

Wednesday, August 23

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	Practical James	Room 126	Bill McFarland
Adult	Old Testament Questions for Today's People	Auditorium	Byron Nichols
Adult	Pray Without Ceasing	Room 129	Jon Ewing
Adult	A Study of the Prayers of the Bible	Room 130	Paul Lines
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 www.watermillchurchofchrist.org and click on "Live Video."

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 "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 Study9:00 AM
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening Worship....5:00 PM
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....6:30 PM



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