

WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

September 10, 2017

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Kerry Cole

#581
#408

Opening Prayer
Matt Keener

#438 (1,3,4)
#742 (1,3,5)

The Lord's Supper
Jeremy Thurlkill

Our Contribution
Jeremy Thurlkill

#776 (1,2,5)

Lesson
Bill McFarland

#773 (1,3)

Announcements
Scott Barton

#834 (1,3)

Closing Prayer
Larry Baggett

Serve Communion

Brian Carroll
Aubrey Cobb
Charles Crum
Jon Davis
William Downing
Tom Davis
Verl Duncan
John Dutton
Tom Easterly
Don Gaunt

Our Life Together

We have been praying for all who are in the path of Irma. It has been thought-provoking to watch Florida officials appeal to citizens to clear out of the storm's way while it could be done. One warned, "If you don't, we won't be able to save you then. If you call 911, there will be no answer." About the time I heard him say that, I noticed this in our reading for that day: "Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand" (Rom. 13:11-12a). That sounds a note of reality for all of us, doesn't it?

We got our new series in the auditorium class started Wednesday evening. We are going to try to think through what the scriptures say about heaven. That's where our citizenship is (Phil. 3:20). That's where the hope we've heard of in the gospel is laid up for us (Col. 1:5). It's where our inheritance is being kept (1 Pet. 1:4). No wonder the things we hear about heaven capture our imagination. So what does the Lord tell us about it? You are welcome to join us as we see.

One reason for my interest in this theme is that my Sunday morning class is reading James right now. James strongly reminds us of the practical, everyday implications of interest in heavenly things: meeting trials and temptations, hearing and doing, visiting the fatherless and the widow, words and actions, what lasts and what doesn't, patience and reverence. I am being reminded that my life needs both heavenly aspirations and earthly applications. All of our lives do.

In fact, that is largely what our work together is all about. We are trying to help people establish citizenship in heaven while there is time. We are also making an effort to give those who have done so the practical means of applying it in this world. That is why we constantly ask for your attention, involvement, and support—with your time, talent, and treasure—in what we are trying to do together for heaven's sake.

—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

September 3

Bible Study:	192
Morning:	282
Evening:	139
Wednesday (9/6):	185
Contribution:	\$ 6,886
Weekly Budget:	\$10,119
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$ (8,416)

OPEN LIBRARY

Everyone is welcome to check out books from our library in room 134. We have books for children, 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.

There are free books on the table in the library. Take as many as you want.



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

- ◆ [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](#) is recovering from gall bladder surgery
- ◆ [Ron Bower](#) as he deals with serious health issues
- ◆ [Julie Alexander's](#) surgery is scheduled for tomorrow at Cox South

Friends & Family

- Carol Tovar's mom, [Patricia Washburn](#), has been diagnosed with multiple myeloma, bone cancer. It is treatable with a good diagnosis. Will start chemo soon.
- Nancy Snider's sister, [Paula Hunt](#), has started 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.
- Lance Griter's dad, [Robert](#), as he has 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.
- Friend of Amanda Eilenstein, [Maegan Sanders](#) diagnosed with stage 4 brain cancer.

ASSISTANCE FOR TEXAS

We will continue to take your monetary donations for the Texas hurricane relief through Wednesday night. We will then send a check to the League City Church of Christ in League City, TX, the church that Gerald & Ann Nichols attend. They will first use the money for any members who need assistance and then help in the community.

But, as it is written,
*"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
 nor the heart of man imagined,
 what God has prepared
 for those who love him"*
 1 Corinthians 2:9

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 Pingenot
 Nancy Snider

Ministry Opportunity

**Be a
Blessing!!**

Be sure to check the table in the foyer!!

Bill has started a new series of lessons in the Wednesday evening Auditorium class on "Heaven." This is going to be a great series of lessons that we should all be interested in. Now would be a great time to get started attending our Wednesday evening service. Come early and enjoy a meal and then find a class that's right for you. You will be blessed by being a part of the midweek service.

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.

News and Activities



Everyone is invited to a **Wedding Shower** honoring **Kyle Buckner and Brielle McKenna THIS AFTERNOON from 2 to 4 p.m. in the fellowship room.** They are registered at Walmart and Amazon (state-Arkansas).

Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Book club meeting** TOMORROW night
- ◆ **Elders** meet Tuesday at 5 p.m.
- ◆ **FAIR HAVEN AUCTION** Saturday the 16th beginning at 10 a.m. See brochure at the Information Desk.



Ladies Bible Class meets Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Megan Jobes' lesson will be "Cooking with Paul" from our new book *A Recipe for Peace* by Janie Craun.

FALL LADIES RETREAT
LADIES, you don't want to miss this year's retreat so mark your calendars for November 3-4. It will be a sleepover at the church building. Ages 8 and up. Watch for more details to follow.

Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

Elders

Scott Barton	417-234-2679
Barney Crawford	417-866-0592
Jon Ewing	417-569-8698
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



CAMP TO-KNOW-HIM
2017/Sept. 29– Oct. 1
PLACE: Hidden Valley Outfitters
27101 Marigold Drive,
Lebanon, MO 65536
Email: info@hvoutfitters.com;
www.hvoutfitters.com;
Phone: 417-533-5628
PLEASE MENTION WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATION.
See flyer at Information Desk.



Friday, Oct. 13, and Nov. 17 from 6 to 9 p.m. Sign-up sheet is at the Information Desk or contact Lora Luna.

Area Events

- 9/30: Ladies Day at Lincoln Church of Christ
- 10/7: Ladies Day at Stafford Church of Christ
- 11/11: Legacy Daughters of Christ Conference at Brookline Church of Christ, ages 10 & up



Birthdays
10 Raleigh Ussery
12 Leah Prewitt
14 Leah Freeze
Kyrah McFarland
15 Eddie Sanders
Linda Barnett
17 Susan Crum
19 John Hulett
Katelynn Wilson
21 Mark Friend
23 Jim Reaves
Steve Prewitt

clothe yourself with **COMPASSION, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.**
colossians 3:12b



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

IT'S TIME FOR A NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY.

Photo Dates: OCTOBER 24 - 28

Watch for more information coming soon.

SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: *John/Michelle Hulett*
 Van Driver: *Tom Easterly/848-9158*
 Nursery: *Wanita Duncan/Emily Simons*

THIS EVENING

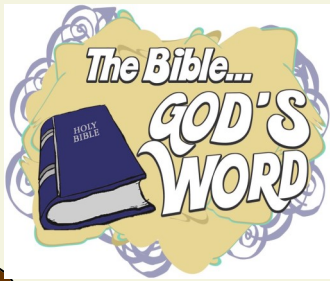
Song Leader: *Adam Blaney*
 Opening Prayer: *Jeremy Thurlkill*
 Lesson: *Bill McFarland*
 Closing Prayer: *Paul Lines*
 Communion: *David Kern/Jason Luna*
 Nursery: *Alice Buckner/Kasey Sekulic*

NEXT WEEK, September 17

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
Song Leader:	<i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i>	<i>Adam Blaney</i>
Opening Prayer:	<i>Adam Barton</i>	<i>John Mahon</i>
Communion:	<i>John Stayton</i>	<i>David Kern/Jason Luna</i>
Closing Prayer:	<i>Randy Blackburn</i>	<i>Aaron Morrison</i>
Greeters:	<i>Gene & Ruth Lund</i>	
Van Driver:	<i>Team Hulett/889-5344</i>	
Nursery:	<i>AM: Coyeatte Ewing/Christina Snitker</i>	<i>PM: Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon</i>

Wednesday, September 13

Devotional: *Patrick Springer*
 Song Leader: *Travis Morrison*
 Prayer: *Gene Kenyon*
 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	A Few Questions From Jesus	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

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."

WORKS WE SUPPORT

CHINESE AGAPE Foundation
 Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands
Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission
Voice of Truth International
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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 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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