



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

December 17, 2017

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Adam Blaney

"Highest Place"
#682
#237
#738

Opening Prayer
Allen McCann

"Lamb of God"

The Lord's Supper
Brendan Carroll

Our Contribution
Brendan Carroll

"If That Isn't Love"
"Wonderful Merciful Savior"

Lesson
Bill McFarland

"Jesus Is Lord"

Announcements
Bob Snider

"Faithful Love"

Closing Prayer
Cambre Thrasher

Serve Communion

Luis Tovar
Kevin Westerman
Patrick Springer
David Grimm
Mike Ussery
Allen McCann
Adam Barton
Brian Carroll
Aubrey Cobb
Charles Crum

NO SECRETS WITH GOD

By Dennis R. Smith

It is a frightening thing to understand that God knows all our good points and that he knows all our bad thoughts as well. David called them "*our secret sins*" (*Psa. 19:12; 90:8*). In the day of judgment all those secret sins will be revealed (*1st Tim. 5:24*) unless God has forgiven us of them already. As bad as these things may seem, perhaps there is a certain resolve which can come from them.

If this seems somewhat strange, just remember the forgiving spirit of our God extended on out into infinity. He conveyed this truth to us through his Son when he was asked how often should we forgive our brother. The reply was, "*I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven*" (*Matt. 18:22*). When we look at some of God's greatest men and see the sins which were committed by them and couple their sinful deeds with the forgiving spirit of Christ, it gives hope to those of us who may have our own "*secret sins*."

The Apostle Paul confessed that he was the "*chief of sinners*" (*1st Tim. 1:15*)." These words were written late in the life of this man of God. However, not too long after this he wrote: "*I am now ready to be offered*" (*2nd Tim. 4:6*), meaning that he found forgiveness of all his sins.

While we need to strive to live above sin, there is still the confidence that God, through his Son, will always forgive if we only ask him to do so.

Family Bible Time Tonight at 5 p.m.,

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

December 10

Bible Study:	213
Morning:	281
Evening:	178
Wednesday (12/13):	173
Contribution:	\$11,504
Weekly Budget:	\$10,119
Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget:	\$(14,162)



Continue to remember Rachel Lilly, Tim Timmons, Eula Compton, Ron Bower

◆ Gabe Mahon suffered a sports injury this past week and will have to be in a neck brace for at least 6 weeks

- ◆ Frances Grann has a cracked pelvis and a crack in her lower back as a result of a fall. She is in Republic Nursing Home and Rehab. Cards can be sent to Nancy's address (10518 W. Farm Road 156, Republic, MO 65738).
- ◆ Cecil Frost is recovering from a medical procedure.
- ◆ Ruth Raines is recovering from double hernia surgery.
- ◆ Luis Tovar as he continues to have inner ear troubles.
- ◆ Debbie Crawford had cataract surgery this past Friday/
Friends & Family
- Ron Bower's sister, Margerie Ann Herzig, was recovering from hip surgery and fell and cracked her femur bone.
- Marty Stockstill's mother, Rose Mary Dean, fell and broke her ankle and the other leg has a fracture.
- Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter's father-in-law, has been diagnosed with cancer.
- Elizabeth Lilly's dad, Frank Cunningham, is in room 7616 in the Burn Unit at Mercy after surgery on his knee
- John Mahon's cousin, Charles Hoy, is in Barnes Hospital for tests re respiratory problems.
- Bobby Kern, David & Debbie's son, is dealing with some health issues
- Carol Griffin's father Bud Creson has serious health issues.
- Zach Gafford, a young man from the Brookline congregation, who has Ewing Sarcoma cancer.
- Bob & Ellie Swartz are both needing our prayers.
- Nancy Snider's sister, Paula Hunt, as she deals with cancer.
- Bill's mom, Pauline Redmon, in rehab at Care Manor, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653.
- Maegan Sanders as she deals with treatment for brain cancer.

Long Term/ Shut-Ins

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

Ministry Opportunity

**Be a
Blessing!!**

Be sure to check the table in the foyer!!

His mercies
are new
every
morning

DECEMBER 31 is the 5th Sunday. The Elders have asked that you consider increasing your contribution that day to help with our budget deficit for 2017. Thank you for your always generous hearts.

*A Special
Thank
You!*

We want to say a special "THANK YOU" to Don and Linda Tracy and Kay McFarland for taking on the huge task of cleaning the building each week while Tim is recovering from shoulder surgery.

NEW ADDRESS
(former member)
Marilyn Lanpher
750 NE Tudor Road
Lee's Summit, MO
65081
Phone: 816-524-5587

**WE NEED
YOUR HELP**

Thanks to Jo Baggett for her many years of preparing the Water Mill Scrapbooks so we can look back and enjoy past events. Debbie Crawford has agreed to relieve Jo from these duties and is in need of your help to provide pictures that you may have of any church event for 2017. This would include but not limited to youth activities, showers, weddings, anniversaries, ladies events, etc. If you have any pictures that would help her in preparing the 2017 scrapbook, please email to her at debbiec3132@gmail.com or if you have printed pictures, that will work as well. Thank you in advance for your help.

News and Activities

Sunday, December 24

AM services at usual times;

There will be a soup and sandwich luncheon immediately following the AM service. Team 2 will be responsible for working:

Buck, Carroll, Cobb, Crawford, Marsolf, Wilson, Sheryl Low, Jon Davis Families (or whoever is here)

PM Service will be at 12:30 for a short devotional and singing.

Wednesday, December 27,
regular classes

Sunday, December 31st

AM & PM Services as usual
After PM service, everyone is invited to stay for games, fun and fellowship; bring finger foods.

We look forward to seeing Steven and Karen Ashcraft tonight as Steven brings us a report of his work in West Africa.

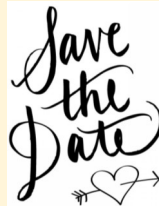
On Thursday, January 4, our congregation is sponsoring a performance by the Harding University Chorus, in which our own Briley Ewing sings. The event will be held at the new Kickapoo Auditorium. As hosts, we will be responsible for housing the students. We would love to have volunteers to house 2 or more students per home. Mark your calendars!!



HARDING CHORUS

Upcoming Events

- ◆ Thursday Ladies Bible Class will not meet again until January 11. The new book they will be studying is "Sweet Truths." See Linda Currier if you need to buy a book.
- ◆ January 7: Year-Beginning Soup/Chili Potluck
- ◆ Book club meeting Monday, January 8
- ◆ January 10: York College Concert Choir at Buffalo High School hosted by Buffalo Church of Christ
- ◆ Jan 12-14: YOU youth rally in Conway, AR
- ◆ Feb. 11: Areawide Youth Night at Water Mill
- ◆ Feb. 23-24: Married Couples Retreat in Branson



May 26, 2018
3 P.M.
Adam Barton &
Brooke Baker
at Water Mill
Church of Christ

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	Russell Lilly
Tom Davis	Aaron Morrison
Jim Elliff	John Stayton
Matt Keener	Mike Thurlkill

Staff

Johnnie Elliff	Secretary
Tim Bowling	Custodian

TEACHER NEEDED

We are still in need of a male 5th grade teacher for our Wednesday evening class. Please see Tom Davis if you are interested in helping with this work.

Birthdays

- 18 Anna Luna
- 19 Aubrey Cobb
- Erica Ewing
- Jedonna Griter
- 20 Shirlane Horton
- 21 Beverly McCormick
- 23 Gabby Gellan
- 24 Linda Tracy
- Greg Donoho
- 27 Josiah Downing
- 28 Eddie Currier
- 29 John Dutton
- 30 Lynn Luallin



SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: *John & Michelle Hulett*
 Van Driver: *Alison Bean/615-971-1320*
 Nursery: *Coyeatte Ewing/Christina Snitker*

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: *Jeremy Thurlkill*
 Opening Prayer: *Tim Stockstill*
 Lesson: *Steven Ashcraft*
 Closing Prayer: *Devin Carroll*
 Communion: *Gene Kenyon/Randy Blackburn*
 Nursery: *Virginia Buck/Teresa Mahon*

NEXT WEEK, December 24

	<i>AM</i>	<i>PM</i>
Song Leader:	<i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i>	<i>Jeremy Thurlkill</i>
Opening Prayer:	<i>Tom Davis</i>	<i>John Stayton</i>
Communion:	<i>John Dutton</i>	<i>G. Kenyon/R. Blackburn</i>
Closing Prayer:	<i>Paul Lines</i>	<i>Bryan Hannah</i>
Greeters:	<i>Jerry & Pat Milligan</i>	
Van Driver:	<i>Brock Snitker/405-694-9774</i>	
Nursery:	<i>AM: Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum</i>	<i>PM: Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton</i>

Wednesday, December 20

Devotional: *Tom Davis*
 Song Leader: *Travis Morrison*
 Prayer: *Byron Nichols*
 Van Driver: *Jason Luna/838-7152*

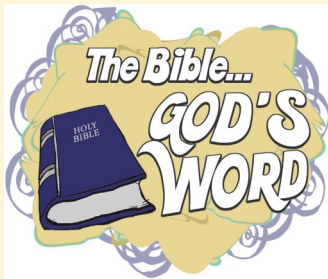
Bible Classes (Adult)

Sunday AM

Adult	Jude	Room 126	Bill McFarland
Adult	A Few Questions From Jesus	Auditorium	Byron Nichols
Adult	Pray Without Ceasing	Room 129	Jon Ewing
Adult	Chronological Study of the Bible	Room 130	Paul Lines
College	The Church of the Bible	Room 119	Jeremy Thurlkill

Wednesday Night

Adult	Heaven	Auditorium	Bill McFarland
Adult	Encounters With Jesus: Everyday Life	Room 126	Jon Ewing
Ladies	Characteristics of God	Room 130	Shawna S./Ruth L.
Adult	Singing Class	Room 119	



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
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 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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