



WATERMILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

December 24, 2017

Order of Worship

Greeting

Song Leader
Jon Ewing

#100

Opening Prayer
Tom Davis

#137 (1,4)
#876
#900
#861

The Lord's Supper
John Dutton

Our Contribution
John Dutton

#784 (1,2)
#405 (1,2)

Message
Bill McFarland

#344 (1,3,4)

Announcements
Bob Snider

#647 (2)

Closing Prayer
Paul Lines

Serve Communion

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

With a Blessing and a Prayer

Another holiday season and another year—already! This one has brought to all of us so much good. It has also brought its share of challenges. There has been a constant in our experience all the way through. It is the sweet fellowship of our beloved brothers and sisters, and we are grateful for it.

Thank you for giving us the privilege of serving, for offering us your partnership and prayers, and for providing us your support and understanding. We have so often been the beneficiaries of the kindness and patience of the Lord's people, and in so many ways!

We appreciate the expressions of goodwill we have received. Thank you for every beautiful card, kind thought, and generous expression of kindness.

May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you as this year draws to its conclusion, and throughout the one to come.

And it is our prayer that our love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that we may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

—Bill, Adam, Johnnie, and Tim



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 17

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| Bible Study: | 194 |
| Morning: | 308 |
| Evening: | 139 |
| Wednesday (12/20): | 187 |
| Contribution: | \$ 6,893 |
| Weekly Budget: | \$10,119 |
| Year-to-Date Above (Below) Budget: | \$(17,388) |



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

◆ Gabe Mahon suffered a sports injury 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.

◆ Luis Tovar as he continues to have inner ear troubles.

◆ Jim Reaves is recovering from a fall.

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, is now at Quail Creek recovering from a broken ankle and a leg fracture.

• Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father-in-law, has been diagnosed with cancer.

• Elizabeth Lilly's dad, Frank Cunningham, is now at home

• John Mahon's cousin, Charles Hoy, as he suffers from respiratory problems.

• 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 continues to deal 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!!

Remember our shut-ins and those with special needs during this holiday time. Sometimes just a phone call is all that's needed!

For those of you who use contribution envelopes, they have been shipped and I hope to have them by Wednesday night.



We extend our sympathy to Clarence and Ola Jean Feeny in the loss of their daughter and Linda Barnett in the loss of her sister, Bonita Saunders, who passed away suddenly last Wednesday from a heart episode. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this writing.



Resolve to read your Bible each day

Our DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULES for

the 1st Quarter of 2018 are available on the Information Desk. Be sure to pick one up and begin the new year reading and studying your Bible every day!

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.

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; NO MEAL
WILL BE SERVED!

Sunday, December 31st

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

January Anniversaries

- 1 David & Debbie Kern 42 yrs.
 - 2 Tim & Becky Marsolf 37 yrs.
 - 16 Bill & Gail White 8 yrs.
 - 17 Dennis & Carolyn Smith 65 yrs.
- Happy Anniversary!!**

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. **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO HOUSE THE MEMBERS OF THE CHORUS!!**



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
- ◆ January 28: Feed the Homeless
- ◆ Feb. 11: Areawide Youth Night at Water Mill
- ◆ Feb. 23-24: Married Couples Retreat in Branson



Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

Elders

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| Jon Ewing | 417-569-8698 |
| Bob Snider | 417-833-3498 |
| Jerry Young | 417-724-0324 |

Minister

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| Bill McFarland | 417-833-0110 |
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Youth/Associate Minister

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| Adam Blaney | 304-520-9800 |
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Deacons

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

Staff

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| 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

- 24 Linda Tracy
- Greg Donoho
- 27 Josiah Downing
- 28 Eddie Currier
- 29 John Dutton
- 30 Lynn Luallin
- 1/1 Alice Daniels
- Teresa Mahon
- 4 Kenna Taylor
- Olivia Downing
- Abigail Davis
- 5 Gloria Luallin
- Brian Horton
- 6 Ben Lines



SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Greeters: *Jerry & Pat Milligan*
 Van Driver: *Brock Snitker/405-694-9774*
 Nursery: *Jenny Carroll/Tina Orum*

THIS EVENING (12:30 P.M.)

Song Leader: *Jeremy Thurlkill*
 Opening Prayer: *John Stayton*
 Lesson: *Bill McFarland*
 Closing Prayer: *Bryan Hannah*
 Communion: *Gene Kenyon/Randy Blackburn*
 Nursery: *Michelle Hulett/Lisa Stayton*

NEXT WEEK, December 31

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| | <i>AM</i> | <i>PM</i> |
| Song Leader: | <i>Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing</i> | <i>Jeremy Thurlkill</i> |
| Opening Prayer: | <i>Jason Luna</i> | <i>Gene Lund</i> |
| Communion: | <i>David Kern</i> | <i>G. Kenyon/R. Blackburn</i> |
| Closing Prayer: | <i>Andy McFarland</i> | <i>Aaron Schwartz</i> |
| Greeters: | <i>Linda Barnett/Leah Freeze</i> | |
| Van Driver: | <i>Tom Easterly/848-9158</i> | |
| Nursery: | <i>AM: Lora Luna/Kirsten McFarland</i> | <i>PM: Lora Luna/Kirsten McFarland</i> |

Wednesday, December 27

Devotional: *Byron Nichols*
 Song Leader: *Travis Morrison*
 Prayer: *Eddie Sanders*
 Van Driver: *Tim Stockstill/849-7678*

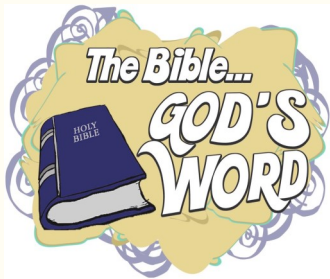
Bible Classes (Adult)

Sunday AM

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| 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

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| 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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